

## MORNING WORSHIP

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

**PRELUDE** Prelude and Fugue in E Minor  
*Johann Sebastian Bach*

**INTROIT** “The Lord Is in His Holy Temple” *Eric DeLamarter*  
The Lord is in his holy temple,  
let all the earth keep silence before him. Amen.

**\*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

**\*HYMN 263** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” *Tune: ST. DENIO*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**God eternal,  
you have included among your kin  
those whom we dismiss as inferior, worthless,  
and undeserving of both your love  
and our consideration.  
Forgive us for arrogantly lording over others  
who are different from us  
and for abusing others by our efforts to control  
who they are and who we think they ought to be.  
Scour out the bully in us,  
and teach us to love people  
we don't like, by doing the loving thing  
needed that contributes to their well-being.  
In your mercy, cleanse us by your grace  
and create in us a new spirit of compassion  
and care for all your kinfolk. Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.  
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

*\*Stand as you are able*

**ANTHEM** “Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen”  
*African American spiritual*  
*arr. Gordon Krunnfusz*

Nobody knows the trouble I’ve seen; nobody knows  
but only Jesus, glory hallelujah. Sometimes I’m up;  
sometimes I’m down, O yes, Lord; sometimes I’m  
almost to the ground. If you should see me going slow,  
O yes, Lord, I’ve got my troubles here below.  
I know why Satan hates me so, O yes, Lord;  
he got me once and let me go.

**PSALTER** Psalm 138 (*responsively*) (page 545, O.T.)

**\*GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Mark 3:20–35 (page 35, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** Is God a Bully? JOHN H. BOYLE

**\*HYMN 316** “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” *Tune: TRENTHAM*

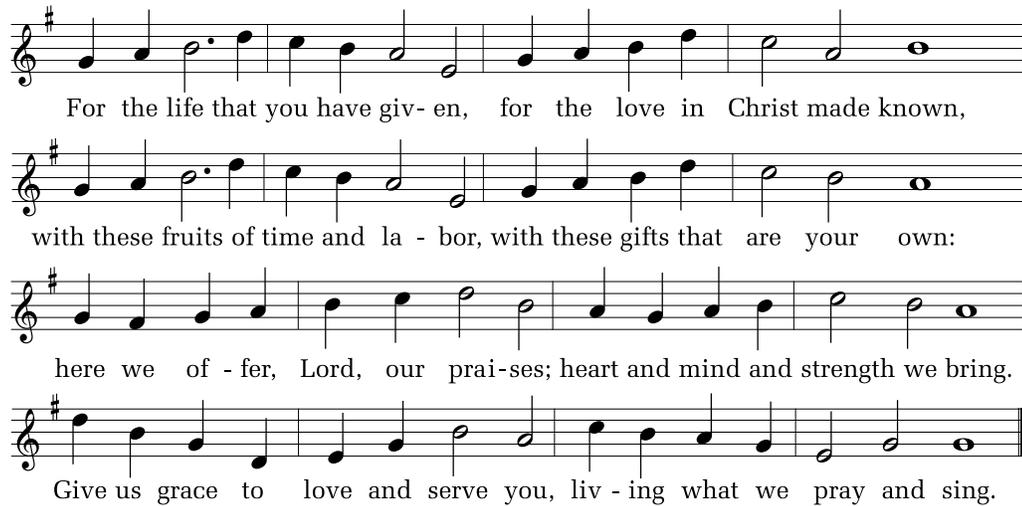
**\*APOSTLES’ CREED** (*unison*)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right  
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he  
shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY** Prelude on a Gregorian Chant *Marcel Dupré*

## \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.  
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

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## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

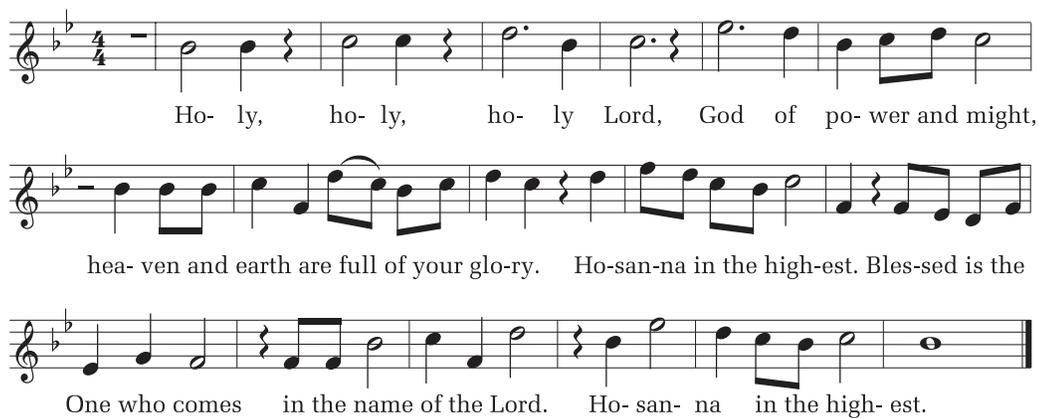
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wei and might,  
hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the  
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*unison*)

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.**

**THE COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION ANTHEM** "O Quam Amabilis"

*Joseph Jongen*

How lovely you are, good Jesus,  
how delightful you are, holy Jesus;  
O heart's content, solace of mind, sweet Jesus.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (*unison*)

**At this table of thanksgiving and remembrance,  
we are reassured of your love  
and blessed by your presence, O God.  
Out of gratitude for your blessing,  
help us in our dealings with others  
not to bully but to bless,  
not to humiliate but to honor,  
not to control but to care.  
And may we do so in remembrance of our Lord and  
Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 418**

"God, Bless Your Church with Strength!"

*Tune: ICH HALTE TREULICH STILL*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Tune in G Major     *Georg Philipp Telemann*

# The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

*"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)*

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

*"I am the bread of life."*

John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from *The Book of Order*

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Donna Gray, Hardy H. Kim, John H. Boyle

## **THE MUSIC TODAY**

The Men of the Morning Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

**Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities** in addition to Sunday morning services. A jazz service with Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). A monthly service in the style of Taizé is held on the fourth Friday of the month.

**The textile banners and pulpit parament, “Unweavings,”** created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and images, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the “ordinary” as we make our faith journey day to day.

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