

Delighting in God's Glory | Demonstrating His Grace | Declaring His Gospel

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

Psalm 63

Mendon



1. O God, you are my God a-lone; with ea-ger-ness I seek your face.
2. I've seen you in your ho-ly place; your pow'r and glo-ry held my gaze.
3. I bless you, Lord, through-out my life and raise my hands to you in prayer.
4. I lie a-wake up-on my bed, re-mem-b'ring you be-fore it's light;
5. For you have been my help, O God; I sing for joy be-neath your wings.



My soul and bod-y thirst for you, as in a dry and wea-ry place.
Your love is bet-ter far than life, and thus my lips will sing your praise.
My joy-ful lips will sing your praise; my soul is fed with rich-est fare.
on you, my God, I med-i-tate, through-out the watch-es of the night.
Your right hand holds and strength-ens me; to you my soul for safe-ty clings.

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made.

Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our heavenly Father, thank you that you love us and care for us all the time. We know that this week we have not lived the way you tell us. We have done wrong things and not done the good things we should have done. Only you can save us, so please forgive us and help us to live as your friends. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN

“Jesus Lives, And So Shall I”

Erik Dewar

1. Je - sus lives, and so shall I. Death, thy sting is gone for - ev - er! He who
2. Je - sus lives, though once he died. In the ground he was for - sak - en. Yet, the
3. Je - sus lives, and reigns su - preme, and his king - dom still re - main - ing. I shall
4. Je - sus lives, I know full well. Naught from him my heart can sev - er, life, nor
bowed his head to die, lives, the bands of death to sev - er. He shall
stone was rolled a - side! How the gates of hell were shak - en! Death o -
al - so be with him, ev - er liv - ing, ev - er reign - ing. God has
death, nor pow'rs of hell, joy, nor grief, hence - forth for - ev - er. None of
raise me from the dust; Je - sus is my Hope and Trust. Je - sus is my Hope and Trust.
beys him, yes, it must;
prom - ised. He is just;
all his saints is lost;

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*HYMN

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King,
Let his song rise within you as a fragrant offering,
Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in his unfailing grace.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to be children of light,
With the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ.
Walking justly before him, loving all that is right
That the life of Christ may shine through him.

King of heaven, we will answer the call,
We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus' name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost,
With the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross,
Bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come;
Let the nations put their trust in him.

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*HYMN

“Show Us Christ”

Doug Plank, Bob Kaufflin

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive.
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief.
Plant your word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit,
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in your truth.

*Show us Christ, show us Christ,
O God, reveal your glory through the preaching of your word
Until ev'ry heart confesses Christ is Lord.*

Your word is living light upon our darkened eyes,
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise.
Your word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave,
Riches for the needy soul, come speak to us today.

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go?
You have the words of eternal life.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 4:13-21

page 224, pew Bible

SERMON

“A Royal Wedding”
7th in a series on the Book of Ruth

Mr. Manuwa Eligwe

*HYMN

“Not in Me”

David L. Ward, Eric Schumacher

No list of sins I have not done, no list of virtues I pursue,
No list of those I am not like, can earn myself a place with you.
O God! Be merciful to me—I am a sinner through and through!
My only hope of righteousness is not in me, but only you.

No humble dress, no fervent prayer, no lifted hands, no tearful song,
No recitation of the truth can justify a single wrong.
My righteousness is Jesus' life, my debt was paid by Jesus' death,
My weary load was borne by him and he alone can give me rest.

No separation from the world, no work I do, no gift I give,
Can cleanse my conscience, cleanse my hands; I cannot cause my soul to live.
But Jesus died and rose again—the pow'r of death is overthrown!
My God is merciful to me and merciful in Christ alone.

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing as able*

WORSHIPING WITH CHILDREN

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder of God's covenant faithfulness. To help your little one get acquainted with worship, quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastors, ushers, choir, etc. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn to worship by watching and following you. If you need to leave the service with your children, feel free to take them to the Family Room, Room 225, where you can follow the service on video. The Family Room is just off of the Narthex, to your right as you exit through the doors at the back of the Sanctuary.

DEACON SUPPORT

Deacons provide assistance and prayer support to those facing difficult circumstances. Contact an individual deacon directly, call the deacons' phone line at 301-320-3600, x223, or email deacons@4thpres.org.

GIVING

If you would like to leave an offering, please place it in the offering plates in the alcoves or in the back. You can give online at 4thpres.org/giving.

SUMMER SUNDAY NIGHTS

Following tonight's evening service, you are invited to enjoy fellowship and a sweet treat outside at the bottom of the Sanctuary steps.

NEW TO FOURTH?

Let us know you're here! Scan and tap to fill out a simple form (4thpres.org/connect), and we'll be in touch to welcome you and answer any questions you may have. We also invite you to visit the Information Center off of Halverson Hall to learn more about Fourth.



NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 11

MORNING SERVICE

8:00 and 11:00 a.m. | Sanctuary

"Paul Perplexed"
Galatians 4:8-20
Rev. Corey Gray

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

"Gracious Storms"
Jonah 1:1-16
Rev. David Frerichs

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be celebrated.*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

2023 Annual Budget	\$ 5,684,990
2023 Year-to-Date Received	\$ 1,525,042

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