



SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026
Morning Worship | 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE

“Prière” (“Prayer”) from *Suite Gothique*
Wyeth Duncan, organ

Léon Boëllmann

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

Psalm 27:1

Darwall

The LORD's my shining light, and my salvation sure;
Who can fill me with fright, or move my heart secure?
The LORD's my stronghold ever near, of whom then shall I stand in fear?

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Triune God calls his church to worship him

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

*HYMN NO. 455

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

Sagina

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our Lord and our King, you have commanded us to seek first your kingdom and your righteousness, but we have sought our own fleeting kingdoms and rested too often on our own righteousness. We have pursued vanities that leave us empty and unsatisfied. We even forsake your mercies offered to us in Christ, exchanging the flowing fountain of living waters for broken cisterns that hold no water. Were you to keep a record of our sin, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is plentiful redemption. Graciously forgive our sins, for our only hope is in the merit and blood of Jesus. As your Spirit brings us to godly sorrow, be pleased to cover our offenses, cleanse us from our guilt, and free us from sin's power. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Acknowledging our sins before our Holy God and seeking his forgiveness in Christ

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord's declaration of our freedom from the guilt of sin and punishment of God's law

HYMN OF THANKS

“The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want”

Crimond

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me:
And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

SHARING OF FAMILY NEWS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Isaiah Nengean

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.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 4:12–16

page 1003, pew Bible

8:00 *Kristen Rommel*; 11:00 *Lezlie Biggers*

*HYMN

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

M. Merker

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast,
When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path,
For my love is often cold, he must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast.*

Those he saves are his delight, Christ will hold me fast,
Precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost, his promises shall last,
Bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast.

For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast,
Justice has been satisfied, he will hold me fast.
Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast,
Till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last!

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OFFERING AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

8:00 *Mike Heiser*; 11:00 *Jeremy Williams*

OFFERTORY

“God Be in My Head”

Andrea Ramsey

Helen and Josh Bates, soloists; Wyeth Duncan, piano

God be in my head and in my understanding,
God be in my eyes and in my looking.

God be in my head and in my understanding,
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.

God be in my heart.

God be at my end and my beginning and all days in between.

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children age 3 through 3rd grade may go to the front when the pastor calls them for prayer and will then be escorted to their classrooms. If you are visiting today or your child does not have a name tag, please follow the group to register with a Children's Ministry volunteer. Please pick up your children in the Children's classrooms after the service.

OLD TESTAMENT READING	Psalm 139	page 521, pew Bible
SERMON	“Where Shall I Go From Your Spirit?” <i>5th in the series, “Summer Psalms”</i>	Rev. Jules Grisham
*HYMN NO. 600	“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!”	He Leadeth Me
*BENEDICTION	<i>Pronouncing God’s blessing on his people</i>	
POSTLUDE	“Carillon” from <i>24 Pieces in Free Style</i>	Louis Vierne

**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

Gifts are received during the offering and online at 4thpres.org/giving.

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.



TONIGHT'S EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Oppressed and Afflicted"

Isaiah 53:7-12

Dr. Isaiah Nengean

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

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

MORNING SERVICE

8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

"Doubting God"

Psalm 73

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Everlasting Love"

Isaiah 54:1-17

Alex Kiess

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will be celebrated.*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

2026 Annual Budget	\$ 7,503,526
2026 Year-to-Date Received	\$ 3,147,516
2026 Year-to-Date Expenses	\$ 4,394,612

Fourth Presbyterian Church is committed to glorifying God by making disciples of Jesus Christ through Christ-centered worship, gospel-shaped community, neighbor-loving service, and kingdom-advancing multiplication. We are a member congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

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