



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

Evening Worship | 6:00 p.m.

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

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

Psalm 117

Regent Square

Praise the LORD God, all you nations; all you peoples, sing his praise.
For his truth endures forever, and his steadfast love is great.
He is faithful! He is faithful! Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O most great, most just and gracious God, you are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all who repent and believe in him. Therefore, we confess that we are sinful by nature and all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused your holy worship and your holy name. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first your kingdom and righteousness. We have not been content with our daily bread. You have revealed your love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in him, but we have turned away. We have run into temptation, and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. We confess you alone are our hope. Make us your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, our only Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN

"To God Be the Glory"

Nathan Fellingham

To God be the glory! Great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the lifegate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
Come to the Father through Jesus the Son.
Give him the glory; great things he has done.*

SENIOR PASTOR Dr. Todd M. Smedley

PASTORS Rev. David Frerichs | Rev. Corey Gray | Rev. Jules Grisham | Dr. Isaiah Nengean

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
 To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
 The vilest offender who truly believes,
 That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

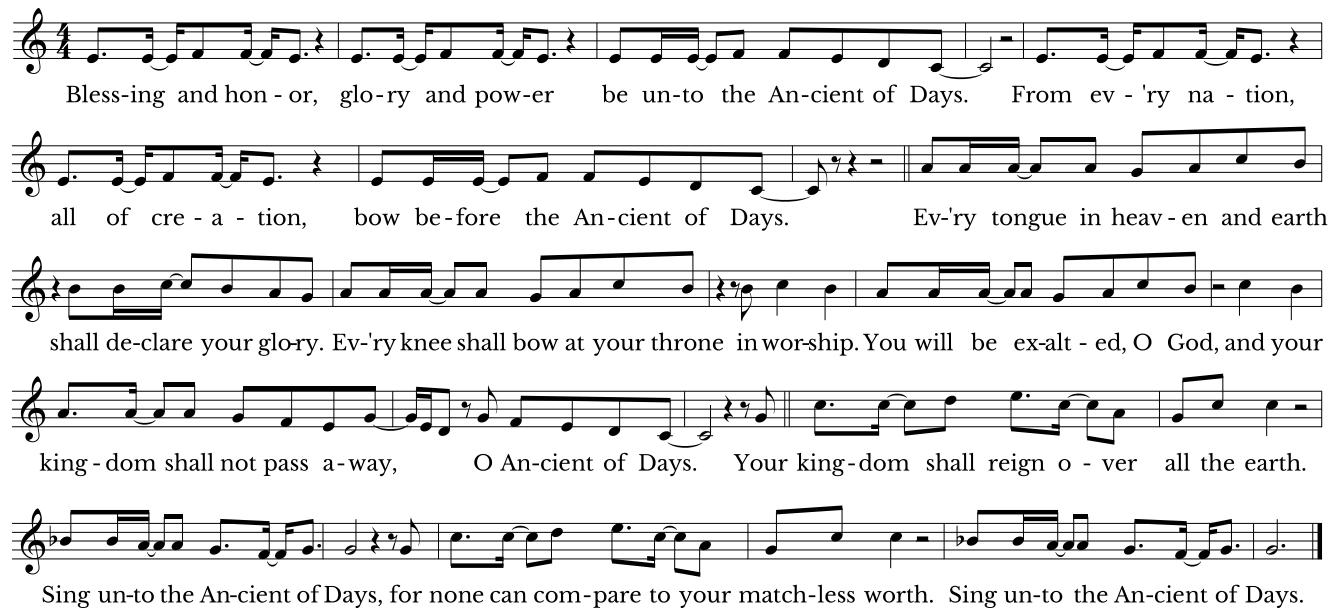
Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
 And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
 But purer and higher and greater will be
 Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

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*HYMN

“Ancient of Days”

Gary Sadler, Jamie Harvill



Bless-ing and hon - or, glo-ry and pow-er be un-to the An-cient of Days. From ev - 'ry na - tion,
 all of cre - a - tion, bow be-fore the An-cient of Days. Ev-'ry tongue in heav - en and earth
 shall de-clare your glo-ry. Ev-'ry knee shall bow at your throne in wor-ship. You will be ex-alt - ed, O God, and your
 king - dom shall not pass a-way, O An-cient of Days. Your king-dom shall reign o - ver all the earth.
 Sing un-to the An-cient of Days, for none can com-pare to your match-less worth. Sing un-to the An-cient of Days.

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NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 8:26–40

page 917, pew Bible

*HYMN NO. 339

“For Your Gift of God the Spirit”

Blaenwern

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:1–8

page 616, pew Bible

SERMON

“A House of Prayer for All Peoples”
 22nd in the series, “Comfort My People”

Rev. Jules Grisham

*HYMN

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

K. & K. Getty, S. 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.

*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 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 us.

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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*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 by the exits.
You can give 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.



NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

MORNING SERVICE

8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

"Heavens Torn Open"

Mark 1:9-13

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Blind Watchmen"

Isaiah 56:9-57:21

Rev. David Frerichs

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

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

2026 Annual Budget	\$ 7,503,526
2026 Year-to-Date Received	\$ 3,571,659
2026 Year-to-Date Expenses	\$ 4,853,635

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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