

May 25, 2003

Sixth Sunday of Easter



The Word made flesh here is made word again,
A word made word in flourish and arrogant crook.
See there King Calvin with his iron pen,
And God three angry letters in a book,
And there the logical hook
On which the Mystery is impaled and bent
Into an ideological instrument.

Edwin Muir
The Incarnate One

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate
in the worship, program, and service life of Fourth Church.*

During Today's Worship

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in Westminster 14, through the south transept doors and to the right. See an usher for directions.

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship.

We invite you to stop by Coffee Hour after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

A church tour begins at 12:15 p.m., starting at the back of the sanctuary.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs.

This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, June 2, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, June 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, June 29, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information about membership, call Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor for New Members, at 981-4025.

Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside the chapel or they can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Blair Chapel.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The next service is Friday, June 27.

Today's sermon will be available online at www.fourthchurch.org by this Friday.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

Fourth Church Cares

For pastoral care: to notify the church of illnesses, death, hospitalizations; to pass along a prayer request to be remembered in Morning Prayer; or to arrange homebound Communion, contact Carol Allen, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 640-5398 (callen@fourthchurch.org).

The Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, a ministry of Fourth Church, offers support groups as well as individual, couples', and premarital counseling. Information about the Center is available in the literature racks or by calling (312) 787-8425.

Births, adoptions, and baptisms: To notify the church of births and adoptions or for information about baptisms, contact Jill Stephens in the Children and Family Ministry office at 640-2578 (jstephens@fourthchurch.org).

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MORNING WORSHIP 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00

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

(8:00) Prelude My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord *Johann Sebastian Bach*

(9:30 and 11:00) Prelude My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Concerto in B Minor *Johann Gottfried Walther*
Allegro – Adagio – Allegro

Introit “Hallelu, Let the People Sing!” *Eduoard Toppenberg arr. Rufus Odon*

***Doxology and Invocation** (The Hymnal, 592)

***Hymn 491** “Stand Up and Bless the Lord” *Tune: CARLISLE*

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)
If we have worshiped you as a relic from the past,
a theological concept, a religious novelty, but not
as a living God; if we have confused your will with
our understanding of it and have preferred divergence
to unity; if we have heard stories of struggle, with
no intention of sharing the burden or pain; if we have
identified the misuse of power but failed to prophesy
against it and refused to empower the weak; if we
have sung songs in praise of your creation, while
defiling the goodness of the earth, Lord, forgive us.
Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Concerns of the Church

Psalter Psalm 98 (*responsively*) (page 551, O.T.)

Anthem “Cantate Domino” *Hans Leo Hassler*
(*Anthem text: Psalm 96:1-3*)

First Lesson Genesis 35:9–15 (page 32, O.T.)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

***Gloria Patri** (The Hymnal, 579)
(9:30) Children are dismissed to Sunday School classes.

Second Lesson John 15:12–17 (page 109, N.T.)

*Stand as you are able.

Sermon by Calum I. MacLeod

CHOSEN

“You did not choose me but I chose you.”
John 15:16 (NRSV)

***Hymn** “We Rejoice to Be God’s Chosen” *Tune: NETTLETON*
(The Hymnal, 355)

We rejoice to be God’s chosen, not through virtue,
work or skill,
But because God’s love is generous, unconformed
to human will.
And because God’s love is restless like the surging
of the sea,
We are pulled by heaven’s dynamic to become,
not just to be.

We rejoice to be God’s chosen, to be gathered to God’s side
Not to build a pious ghetto or be steeped in selfish pride;
But to celebrate the goodness of the One who sets us free
From the smallness of our vision to become, not just to be.

We rejoice to be God’s chosen, to align with heaven’s intent,
To await where we are summoned, and accept where
we are sent.

We rejoice to be God’s chosen and amidst all that we see,
To anticipate with wonder that the best is yet to be.

***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.

**Prayers of the People
and 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.

Response “Amen”

John Stainer

Offering

(8:00) Offertory Solo “Jesu, Joy of All Desiring” *J. S. Bach*

(9:30 and 11:00) **Offertory Anthem** "Greater Love Hath No Man" *John Ireland*

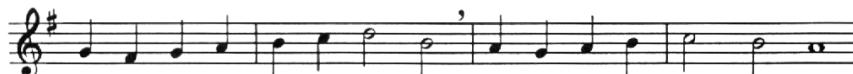
***Presentation of the Offering and Response**



For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,



with these fruits of time and la - bor with these gifts that are your own:



here we of - fer, Lord, our prai - ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.



Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

All: As we bring our gifts before you, O Lord, we give thanks for the richness of life: for the beauty and wonder of the world, for the care of those who love us, for strength and hope in the trials and difficulties of life, and for the good news of the risen Christ in our lives. Strengthen us to be an Easter church, that we might become your body in the world, serving, forgiving, and making whole. Amen.

***Hymn 269**

"O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand"

Tune: DUNDEE

Benediction and Response

Postlude

Grand Chorus
from *Joshua*

George Frideric Handel

VESPERS SERVICE

6:30 p.m.

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

Prelude My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Concerto in B Minor *Johann Gottfried Walther*
Allegro – Adagio – Allegro

Call to Worship

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**
Leader: O give thanks to the God of gods.
People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**
Leader: O give thanks to the Lord of lords.
People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Invocation

***Hymn 403** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” *Tune: CONVERSE*

Prayer of Confession

(*unison*)
Merciful God, we confess that we have failed to be servants of your peace in the world. We have sown hate instead of love, sought revenge instead of reconciliation, spread doubt and gloom instead of faith and hope, and have placed burdens upon others rather than lift burdens from others. Forgive us, we pray, and show us how to love unselfishly, knowing that in giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Sacrament of Baptism

Unison Prayer

Holy God, remind us of the promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalter Reading

Psalm 107:1–9 (*responsively*) *(page 559, O.T.)*

Anthem

“Most Glorious Lord of Life” *William Harris*

Scripture Lesson

John 15:9–17 *(page 109, N.T.)*
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Communion Meditation

by John H. Boyle

CALLED TO BE FRIENDS

“I do not call you servants . . . ; but I have called you friends.” John 15:15 (NRSV)

*Hymn 98

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” *Tune: PASSION CHORALE*

*Stand as you are able.

Affirmation of Faith(unison)*

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our Judge and our Hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

*(United Church of Canada)***Prayers of the People****Offering****Offertory Anthem**

Hallelu, Let the People Sing!"

*Eduoard Toppenberg
arr. Rufus Odon****Doxology**

(The Hymnal, 592)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**Invitation**

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.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: . . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:
People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer**The Communion****Prayer After Communion***(unison)*

Gracious God, with these gifts of your love and grace you have reminded us that we are no longer nobodies. You have called us to be friends with Christ to your world. Grant us courage and strength so that in our daily living we may be your love reaching out into the life of the world. Amen.

***Hymn 434**

"Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

*Tune: KINGSFOLD***Benediction****Postlude**Grand Chorus
from Joshua*George Frideric Handel*

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Wendy Mathewson, Pastoral Resident
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults
and New Members
- 9:30 a.m. Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Youth
and Campus Ministry
Dana Ferguson, Executive Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults
and New Members
- 11:00 a.m. Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Youth
and Campus Ministry
Dana Ferguson, Executive Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults
and New Members
- 6:30 p.m. Anne Ross, Lay Liturgist
John H. Boyle, Parish Associate

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. Chancel Choir
9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir
6:30 p.m. Vespers Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

Fourth Church welcomes Rizek Abusharr to 11:00 worship, where he will speak during the Concerns of the Church. A Palestinian Christian from Jerusalem, he serves as Clerk of Session of the Church of Scotland congregation in Jerusalem (St. Andrew's) and is director of the Jerusalem YMCA. All are invited to join Rizek Abusharr at a brunch in the Dining Room after worship, when he will share more about life in Jerusalem and hopes for peace.

The child being baptized at 6:30 p.m. worship is Adeline Jane Cook, daughter of Chris and Julie Cook.

The hymn "We Rejoice to Be God's Chosen" was written by John Bell, music director for the Iona Community in Scotland. The community, which is under the auspices of the Church of Scotland, was founded in 1938 by George MacLeod, an inner-city minister troubled by the lack of impact the church had in the lives of those most affected by the hardships of the Depression and political events. Today, the community is led by 200 men and women from many Christian denominations and various places around the world, and thousands journey to the Isle of Iona every year for spiritual growth. This morning's hymn is copyrighted by Wild Good Resource Group and is reprinted with permission.

The Prayer of Confession this morning is also reprinted from Wild Goose Worship Group with permission.

NEWS, OPPORTUNITIES, AND RESOURCES

ENRICHMENT AND ENLIGHTENMENT

Spend a week at Ghost Ranch, New Mexico, this summer with Fourth Church members and friends of all ages. This education and retreat center of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will be the site of a week of study and fellowship for individuals and families. Brochures are available in the literature racks.

“Creating Places of Hope for Persons with Mental Illness: Congregations Responding in Faith,” an ecumenical conference sponsored by Fourth Church’s Center for Health Ministry and several partners, will be held at Fourth Church on Saturday, May 31 beginning at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call Terrill Stumpf, Director of the Center for Health Ministry, at 981-3396.

“Centering Prayer Growth Group,” an opportunity for personal growth and exploration of personal issues through learning the method of centering prayer and other spiritual exercises, begins Monday, June 2. To schedule the required initial interview, call Laura Sherman at ext. 335.

Sunday adult education opportunities are provided by the Academy for Faith and Life, which today offers the John Knox Bible Study (Page Smith Room) at 9:30 a.m. and “Prophecy: Speaking the Mind of God, Speaking Out for Justice” (Anderson Hall South Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

Join us for Bible study this week:
Young Adult Bible Study: Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room
Noonday Bible Study with Pastors: Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. in the Large Conference Room

A representative of the American Friends Service Committee will talk about our recent history with Iraq when he speaks at the Center for Older Adults Thursday program on May 29 at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNITY

The Fourth Church Men’s Group meets for breakfast on Saturday, June 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Peter Beltemacchi, Associate Dean of the College of Architecture at Illinois Institute of Technology, will speak on “Professional Responsibility in the Modern World.” Make reservations for breakfast by calling the church receptionist at 787-4570 by 12:00 noon on Friday, June 13.

Young adults (20s and 30s) gather for Discernment Dinner on Tuesday, May 27 at Garrett Ripley’s (712 N. Clark) at 6:45 p.m. This informal evening of refreshments and appetizers will include opportunity to share readings, songs, and other favorite material. RSVP to Rob Schroeder in the Young Adults office at 981-2599. Then next Sunday, June 1, young adults will meet with Nanette Sawyer, Presbyterian Community Pastor for the Wicker Park area, at 7:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room to explore what Gen-Xers look for in a church.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Mozart’s *Requiem* will be performed by the combined choirs of Fourth Church, under the direction of Norman Mackenzie, Director of Music at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Atlanta and Atlanta Symphony Orchestra’s Director of Choruses, on Sunday, June 8 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

This week’s free Friday Noonday Concert will be performed by cellist Racheli Altman and pianist Junichi Steven Sato at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Artwork by members of the Center for Older Adults is on exhibit in the Gallery.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Join PIE for “Tales of the Drum,” this year’s fine arts festival presented by students of the four Cabrini-Green schools in the Near North Magnet Cluster. The festival, sponsored by Fourth Church, will take place Friday, May 30 at 3:00 p.m. at the Torrey Grey Auditorium of Moody Bible Institute (321 N. Wells; parking available). Free tickets are available during Coffee Hour or by calling Leandra Harville at 981-3566.

The Near North Magnet School program’s Advisory Council is seeking volunteers to help plan the 2003–2004 school program. Those interested in helping are invited to contact Beth Truett at 981-3399 and travel with her from Fourth Church to the Festival of the Heart “Tales of the Drum” performance on Friday, May 30 at 2:15 p.m.

Current Volunteer and Donation Needs

Men’s “business casual” pants (in large and extra large sizes especially) as well as other men’s spring and summer clothing for guests of the Elam Davies Social Service Center.

A triple stroller.

Ushers for Festival of the Heart, Friday, May 30 at 2:00 p.m. at Moody Bible Institute.

Volunteers to assist with activities at the June 1 Chicago Avenue property dedication: balloon fillers, T-shirt distributors, lemonade and water servers, and hot dog grillers

Tennis Camp volunteers to work with inner-city youth this summer.

Sanctuary hosts to welcome visitors, weekdays and weekends.

Ushers for 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 6:30 p.m. worship.

For information about these and many other volunteer opportunities at Fourth Church, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 981-3382.

Stop by the Advocacy Table during Coffee Hour to learn more about security legislation and Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) General Assembly policy on refugees and immigrants. There will also be letters available for those who wish to write to Congress about protecting civil liberties.

Journey to Guatemala this November 8–15 as part of a Fourth Church mission trip led by members Jack and Joy Houston, who are residing in Antigua, Guatemala. The trip will include visits to various projects in the area, including the Mayan Weavers, a women’s cooperative. Trip applications are due Sunday, June 1. Information and applications are available in the literature racks or by calling Vicki Reynolds, Mission Coordinator, at 981-3384.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The 215th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is being held in Denver this week under the theme “A House of Prayer for All Peoples.” Please keep the General Assembly representatives in your prayers in the days ahead as they conduct the business of the church. Daily updates from Fourth Church staff attending the assembly will be posted at www.fourthchurch.org and e-mailed to those on the devotions subscription list.

Daily devotions are not available this week, in print format or electronically. Instead, daily reflections from the General Assembly will be e-mailed to devotions subscribers on May 27–30. Daily devotions written by Fourth Church staff will again be available, in the literature racks and electronically, beginning Monday, June 2.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY

Summer Sunday School begins today. Through August, classes will be held at 9:30 a.m. only.

Join the family mission trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico June 22–29. Led by Donna Gray, this trip will include a variety of work opportunities, so all ages can help in prepping a new school for its September opening. Travelers will stay in condominiums and share in meal preparation. Application forms are available in the literature racks. For more information, call Jill Stephens in the Children and Family Ministry office at 640.2578.

Join Us in Celebration!

Sunday, June 1, 2003

at Fourth Church's Chicago Avenue property
(Chicago Avenue, between Hudson and Cleveland)
following 11:00 worship

We're going to gather with our friends and neighbors in the Chicago Avenue neighborhood to dedicate the property purchased there by Fourth Church as part of its Project Light vision. Together with those friends and neighbors, we'll celebrate the opportunity the site represents for increased outreach in this changing neighborhood—and in doing so, share in festivities of food, fellowship, and fun.

Getting to the site:

- > Walk, with others, from the church parking lot to the site
- > Ride the bus that will be provided for transportation to and from the site
- > Drive to the site and park at 531 W. Chicago (for \$6)

*RSVP by calling the Dedication Infoline
at (312)-787-2729, ext. 395.*

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 25			
7:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
7:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life		Parish House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life		Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Children's Corner		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Brunch with Rizek Abusharr		Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Service	John H. Boyle preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall
Monday, May 26	Memorial Day Church Office Closed		
Tuesday, May 27			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers, Tuesday through Friday		Blair Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Center for Older Adults, Tuesday through Friday		Chestnut Street Lobby
6:45 p.m.	Young Adult Discernment Dinner		(see announcement)
7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study		Randolph Room
Wednesday, May 28			
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Wednesday Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
Thursday, May 29			
12:00 noon	COA Noonday Program on Iraq		Dining Room
6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
Friday, May 30			
12:10 p.m.	Concert: Cello and Piano		Sanctuary
3:00 p.m.	Tales of the Drum Festival		(see announcement)
Saturday, May 31			
8:30 a.m.	Mental Illness and the Faith Community		Anderson Hall
Sunday, June 1			
8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Chicago Avenue Celebration		(see announcement)
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Service	Nanette Sawyer preaching	Sanctuary

Parking is available Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$5.50 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m. and at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$5.00 until 2:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.25. Tickets must be validated in the coffee hour or at the Chestnut Street reception desk.

For child care arrangements (other than during Sunday morning worship services),
call (312) 787-2729, ext. 282 at least three working days in advance.