

Indeed, if we consider the unblushing promises of reward and the staggering nature of the rewards promised in the Gospels, it would seem that our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are halfhearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at sea. We are far too easily pleased.

C. S. Lewis
The Weight of Glory

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. Activity bags for children in worship are available outside the south transept doors.

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.

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.

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

This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend today from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, November 3 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, November 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults and New Members, at 981.4025 (cmacleod@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Cares

For pastoral care; to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; 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 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.

PRELUDE (8:00) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God *Johann Nicolaus Hanff*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God *Johann Nicolaus Hanff*
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor *Johann Sebastian Bach*

INTROIT “Everyday Will I Give Thanks” *George Thalben-Ball*
Everyday will I give thanks unto thee and praise thy name for ever and ever more.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 260 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” *Tune: EIN’ FESTE BURG*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 34:1–8 (*responsively*) (page 508, O.T.)

ANTHEM (8:00) “A Song of Thanksgiving” *John Ferguson*
Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another. Your love never ceases. Your mercies never end, for you are good, O Lord. Your steadfast love endures forever and ever. Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who, from our mothers’ arms, has blest us on our way with countless gifts of love and still is ours today. Amen.

ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00) "One Thing More" *Jane Marshall*
Thou who hast given so much to me, give one thing more: a grateful heart. Not thankful when it pleaseth me, as if thy blessings had spare days, but such a heart whose pulse may be thy praise.

FIRST LESSON Job 42:1–6, 10 (page 488, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)
(9:30 and 11:00) Children are dismissed to Sunday School classes.

SECOND LESSON Mark 10:46–52 (page 47, N.T.)

SERMON by Joanna M. Adams
DEMANDING GOODNESS FROM GOD
"Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.'" Mark 10:51 (NRSV)

*HYMN 339 "Be Thou My Vision" *Tune: SLANE*

*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

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen"

Morgan Simmons

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO "Pie Jesu"
(8:00)

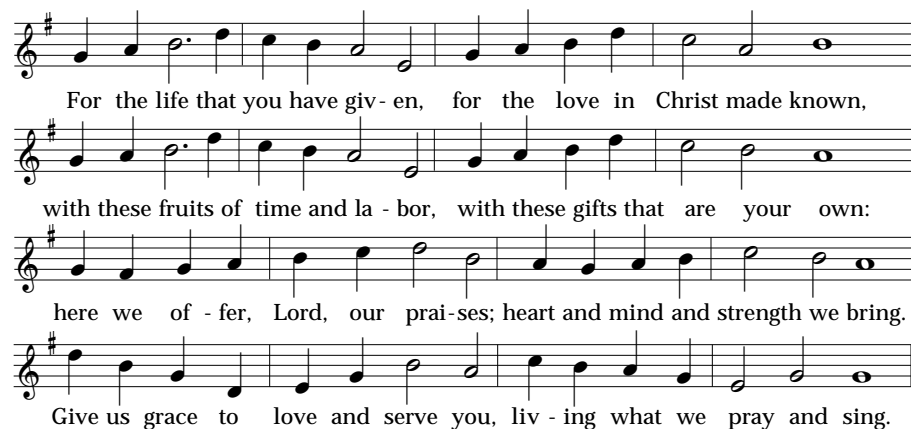
Gabriel Fauré

from *Requiem*
Holy Jesus, grant them eternal rest.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "A Psalm of Praise and Thanksgiving" *Michael McCabe*
(9:30 and 11:00)

O praise the Lord, ye nations; praise him, ye people, O praise the Lord. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet. Praise him in dances, praise him on lute and harp, praise him with strings, and praise him with pipe. Praise ye the Lord. Grant us this day, O Lord, a blessing for thy house, that those who hunger for thy holy word may find it here. We give thanks and praise this day. O praise the Lord and give him thanks this day. Let all the people praise the Lord, both now and ever more.

*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

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.

All: We praise and thank you, O God, through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him you have
enlightened us by revealing the Light that never fades,
for death has been destroyed and radiant life
is everywhere restored. Help us to love you
and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you
and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 422

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

Tune: BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

RECESSIONAL

All are asked to remain seated while the bagpiper recesses.

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Let All Together Praise Our God

Johann Sebastian Bach

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Helmut Walcha

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Today is Reformation Sunday, a day when we recall the rich heritage in the Protestant tradition. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) grew out of the Reformation of the sixteenth century under leaders such as John Calvin and John Knox. The last Sunday in October has been chosen as Reformation Sunday because it was on October 31, 1517, that Martin Luther posted his ninety-five theses on the church door in Wittenberg, a significant event in the history of the Reformed tradition. Reformation Sunday is also a day when we remember and give thanks for Reformation leaders and all others who have kept the faith.

As part of our Reformation Sunday observance, we sing “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” as our opening hymn. Based on Psalm 46, the hymn was written and composed by Martin Luther in 1529 and soon became the rallying cry of the Protestant Reformation. By 1900, the hymn had been translated into more than eighty languages, and today, nearly five-hundred years later, more than two hundred versions of “A Mighty Fortress” are in common usage.

Also as part of our observance of Reformation Sunday, bagpiper George Sims will play a recessional, reminding us of the Scottish roots of the Presbyterian church.

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Wendy Mathewson, Pastoral Resident
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Joanna M. Adams, Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults
and New Members
John M. Buchanan, Pastor
Joanna M. Adams, Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults
and New Members
John M. Buchanan, Pastor
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The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Elizabeth Hedgcock, soprano soloist;
George Sims, bagpiper
- 9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir; George Sims, bagpiper
- 11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; George Sims, bagpiper

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist
Mary Theresa Reed, Director of Children's Music

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Marc Miller on behalf of the Capital Campaign.

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 Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, November 28.

Daily devotions written by Fourth Church staff are available in the literature racks, at www.fourthchurch.org, and by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

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

Recent sermons are also available in the literature racks.

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.