As I tried to discern the tangled history of my own coming to Christian faith. . . my whole life has been haunted by the reality of Jesus. . . . I find that, despite all the scholarship that has taken place between seminary and this moment, there is no abatement in the power of this haunting allure of the figure of Jesus.

Joseph Sittler

# 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.

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 \$6.00 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 Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, March 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, April 5 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, 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, 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).

# 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

INTROIT

Prélude

César Franck

(8:00)

PRELUDE

Prélude, Fugue and Variation

César Franck

(9:30 and 11:00)

"Hide Not Thou Thy Face from Us, O Lord"

Richard Farrant

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure for we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake deliver us

from all our sins.

\*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

\*HYMN 487

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Tune: LAUDES DOMINE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness

through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news. People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 27 (responsively) (page 503, O.T.)

ANTHEM "Lamb of God" German chorale (8:00) arr. F. Melius Christiansen

Lamb of God most holy, who on the cross didst suffer, patient still and lowly, thyself to scorn didst offer. Our sins by thee were

taken, or hope had us forsaken. Have mercy, O Jesu!

ANTHEM "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

(9:30 and 11:00) African American spiritual

arr. Tim Harbold

I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

FIRST LESSON Luke 13:31–35 (page 77, N.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 Matthew 16:13–20 (page 18, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT JESUS

2. HIS NAME

"But who do you say that I am?" Matthew 16:15 (NRSV)

\*HYMN 306 "Fairest Lord Jesus" Tune: CRUSADERS' HYMN

\*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 Mar y, 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" Thomas Tallis

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY SOLO (8:00)

"Hasten to Deliver Me, O God"

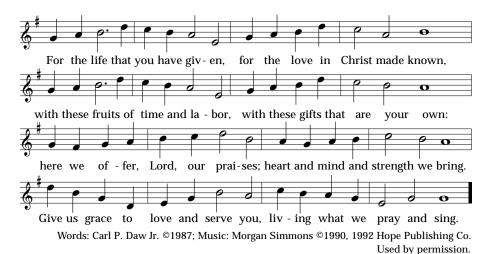
Heinrich Schütz

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "How Firm a Foundation" (9:30 and 11:00)

American folk hymn arr. Paul Louis Anderson

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled? "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand. When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress. When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply. The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine. The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never forsake."

## \*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE



### \*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: God of compassion, we praise you that you look upon our frail lives with love and understanding and that you

desire for us all new life in Jesus Christ. We ar e

overwhelmed by your love, which goes to the cross for us,

endures the grave, and leads us to new life.

By your Spirit, strengthen our souls to be brave and bold in Christ's service. Take our offerings, and use them and us for your purposes, in the name of Jesus Christ,

our crucified and risen Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN 81 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

Tune: St. Flavian

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Toccata in E Minor Johann Pachelbel

#### **Worship Leaders**

8:00 a.m. Wendy Mathewson, Pastoral Resident

John A Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Wendy Mathewson, Pastoral Resident

Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

11:00 a.m. Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor

John H. Boyle, Parish Associate John M. Buchanan, Pastor

#### The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Ann Marie Boyle, soprano soloist

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir

11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

Mary Theresa Reed, Director of Children's Music

### **Worship Notes**

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, received by Fourth Church throughout Lent, supports Fourth Church's Partners in Education Scholarship Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. To make a gift to this offering, use one of the envelopes in the pew racks or write "One Great Hour" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The Latin cross on the bulletin cover is carved in the center of the minister's chair in the upper chancel and is now accentuated by the needlepoint cross created and installed by Morgan Simmons for Easter 2003. This carved cross is one of the many integrated into the architecture of Fourth Church. It is toward the cross of Christ that the season of Lent points us.

A special Vespers service in observance of World Day of Prayer will take place this evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Wilhelmina Kalu will be the guest preacher.

The Concert Choir of Maryville College (Tennessee) will participate in the Vespers Service on March 14. The choir's program features music from around the world.

#### Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

A midweek Lenten service is held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

Daily prayer is held each weekday morning at 11:45 a.m. in the sanctuary.

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, March 26.

Lenten devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks 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.