

January 29, 2006

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

That is how it is when we praise you. We join the angels in praise, and we keep our feet in time and place . . . awed to heaven, rooted in earth. We are daily stretched between communion with you and our bodied lives, spent but alive, summoned and cherished but stretched between. And we are reminded that before us there has been this One *truly divine* (at ease with angels) *truly human* . . . dwellers in time and space. We are thankful for him, and glad to be in his missional company. Alleluia. Amen.

Walter Brueggemann
Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth

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 and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the back of the sanctuary.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. 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.

Worship bags, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

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

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 the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.

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

This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, February 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, February 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, February 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at the church at 312.981.4025 (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 Elizabeth Andrews, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.274.3818 (eandrews@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) Suite in C Major *Domenico Zipoli*

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00) Prelude and Fugue in C Major *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Air from *Orchestral Suite No. 3* *J. S. Bach*

INTROIT "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord" *Giovanni Croce*
Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth.
O knit my heart unto thee that I may fear thy name.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN

"O Day of Radiant Gladness"

Tune: ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVOGELEIN

O day of radiant gladness, O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;
this day the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,
sing, "Holy, holy, holy" to the great God triune.

This day at the creation the light first had its birth;
this day for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;
this day our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,
and thus this day most glorious a triple light was given.

This day God's people, meeting, the Holy Scripture hear;
Christ's living presence greeting, through bread and
wine made near.

We journey on, believing, renewed with heavenly might,
from grace more grace receiving on this blest day of light.

This light our hope sustaining, we walk the pilgrim way,
at length our rest attaining, our endless Sabbath day.

We sing to you our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son;
the church its voice upraises to you, blest Three in One.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Merciful God, we confess that we have
sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
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 111 *(responsively)*
(the congregation reads the verses in bold type)

Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever .

ANTHEM "Almighty God, Who Hast Me Brought" *Thomas Ford*
Almighty God, who hast me brought in safety
to the present day, keep me from sin in heart
and thought. And teach me what to do and say.

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 18:15–18
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen, Amen.

SECOND LESSON Mark 1:21–28

SERMON by Alice M. Trowbridge
LOST IN WONDER, LOVE, AND PRAISE
"They were astounded at his teaching,
for he taught them as one having authority."
Mark 1:22 (NRSV)

*HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" *Tune: HYFRYDOL*
Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

(hymn continues on next page with stanza 2)

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest;
take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen"

Kenneth E. Runkel

OFFERING

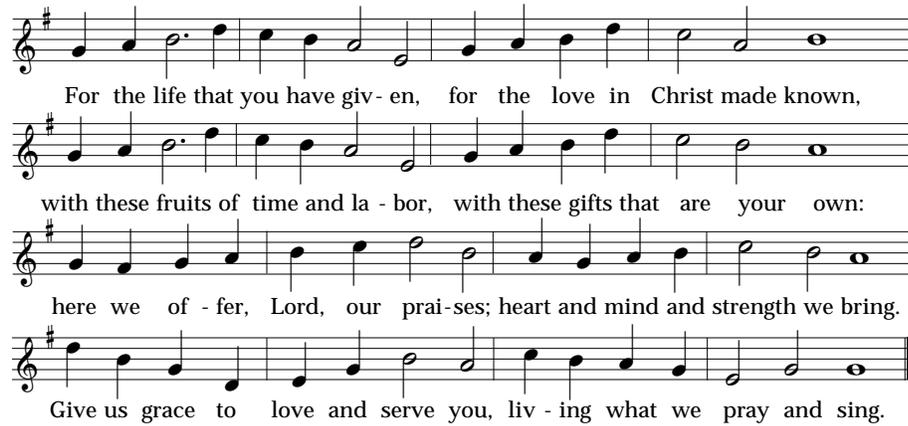
OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

"If with All Your Hearts" from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn
"If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, ye
shall ever surely find me." Thus saith our God.
O, that I knew where I might find him, that
I might even come before his presence!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

"Where Shall Wisdom be Found?" *Peter Aston*
Where shall wisdom be found and where is the place
of understanding? Man knoweth not the price thereof,
neither is it found in the land of the living. The depth
said, "It is not in me." And the sea said, "It is not
with me." It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall
silver be weighed for the price thereof. No mention
shall be made of coral, or of pearls, for the price of
wisdom is above rubies. Whence then cometh wisdom
and where is the place of understanding? God
understandeth the way thereof and he knoweth
the place thereof, for he looketh to the ends of the earth
and seeth under the whole heaven. When he made
a decree for the rain and a way for the lightening
of the thunder, then did he see it and then did he
declare it. Then he prepared it and searched it out.
And unto man he said, "Behold, the fear of the Lord;
that is wisdom and to depart from evil is understanding."

*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: God of all grace, we praise you for all your goodness
and loving-kindness to us and to all people.

We thank you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your boundless love
made known to us in Jesus Christ.

Give us such an awareness of your mercies
that with truly thankful hearts we may live in awe

and wonder of you, showing forth your praise,

not only with our lips but in our lives,

by giving up ourselves to your service,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

God of grace and God of glory,

on thy people pour thy power;

crown thine ancient church’s story;

bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

for the facing of this hour,

for the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail thy ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armored with all Christ-like graces,
pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor thee!
That we fail not them nor thee!

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude

William Mathias

Fourth Presbyterian Church Sanctuary Improvements



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The sanctuary enhancements being undertaken as part of Project Light are underway. This past week, crews removed the old flooring that was under the pews in preparation for the installation of new flooring (the aisle flooring will remain as is).

For your safety, please be careful not to catch your heels in the open grills of the heating registers below your feet.

This sanctuary improvement project includes the installation of a new sound system, new flooring under the pews, and new pews, which will be exact replicas of the pews that were installed in 1914, down to the detailed end carvings. The new pews also will provide improved ergonomics as well as greater access for those with disabilities.

During this construction phase, the pipe organ has been wrapped and sealed to protect it from dust. A temporarily installed electronic organ is being used in its place.

A limited number of original pews and original pew ends will be available through the auction at the Mission Benefit on February 24. Bids can be placed during Coffee Hour beginning today. Information about ordering small wooden crosses, made from the wood from some of the pews, will be available in the weeks ahead. For more information about the sanctuary improvements project, stop by the Project Light table during Coffee Hour, visit www.fourthchurch.org, or watch for information posted throughout the building.

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. Dana Ferguson, Patrick Daymond, Alice M. Trowbridge
9:30 a.m. Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod, Alice M. Trowbridge
11:00 a.m. Dana Ferguson, Calum I. MacLeod, Alice M. Trowbridge

The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist
9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

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

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Jeremy Lewis on behalf of the Souper Bowl of Caring. Next Sunday, as part of the Souper Bowl, the youth of Fourth Church will be collecting food and monetary donations during Coffee Hour and at church entrances. These contributions will be distributed to the Elam Davies Social Service Center.

Offering envelopes for the Fourth Presbyterian Church general fund are available in the pew information pads, which are passed during the Concerns of the Church.

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