

May 6, 2007

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Enjoy the earth gently
Enjoy the earth gently
For if the earth is spoiled
It cannot be repaired
Enjoy the earth gently

Yoruba poem (West Africa)

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. Worship also can be heard through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome. 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

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

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.

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, May 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, May 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; or Monday, June 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 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 Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@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)

Prelude on the Tune “Rhosymedre”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Choral II in B Minor

César Franck

INTROIT

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

Plainsong

Of the Father’s love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,
he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he;
of the things that are, that have been, and that future
years shall see, evermore and evermore! Amen.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 470**

“O Day of Radiant Gladness”

Tune: ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVOGELEIN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Loving God, we read of your mighty acts

**among your people, and we rejoice in your power
displayed in Jesus, the risen One.**

We confess our faithlessness and lack of trust.

**We have lived as though your power belonged to the past;
we have not trusted Jesus to work miracles of healing
and forgiveness in us; we have looked at our own sin
and been frightened by it; and when we have looked
at the sin of others, it has made us smug.**

Our selfishness and wastefulness has hurt the earth.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Raise us out of the captivity of guilt into the freedom
and energy of forgiven people. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

**Stand as you are able.*

PSALTER Psalm 148 (*responsively*) (page 550, O.T.)

ANTHEM "If Ye Love Me" *Thomas Tallis*
If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray
the Father, and he shall give you another comforter; that
he may abide with you forever, even the Spirit of truth.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 65:17–22 (page 654, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:1–6 (page 244, N.T.)

SERMON by Calum I. MacLeod
PRAISE AND CREATION
"Praise the name of the Lord, for
he commanded and they were created."
Psalm 148:5 (NRSV)

***HYMN 266** "Thank You, God, for Water, Soil and Air" *Tune: AMSTEIN*

***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”

Richard Warner

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

“Dialogue in Trio”

François Couperin

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

“And I Saw a New Heaven”

Edgar L. Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away, and there was no more sea. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with all, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.”

***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 give you thanks, O God, for the wonder of your works
and the riches of your grace;**

**for the risen Christ who came to his friends then
and who comes to his friends today. Jesus Christ,
you are our savior, because you have chosen us.**

**In our weakness and fear you have loved us
and wanted us, called us and sent us.**

Thanks be to God for the gospel of grace.

**And now we dedicate ourselves, our time, talents,
and money, to do your work in and for the world.**

In the name of him who was once dead and is now alive.

Amen.

***HYMN 285**

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN

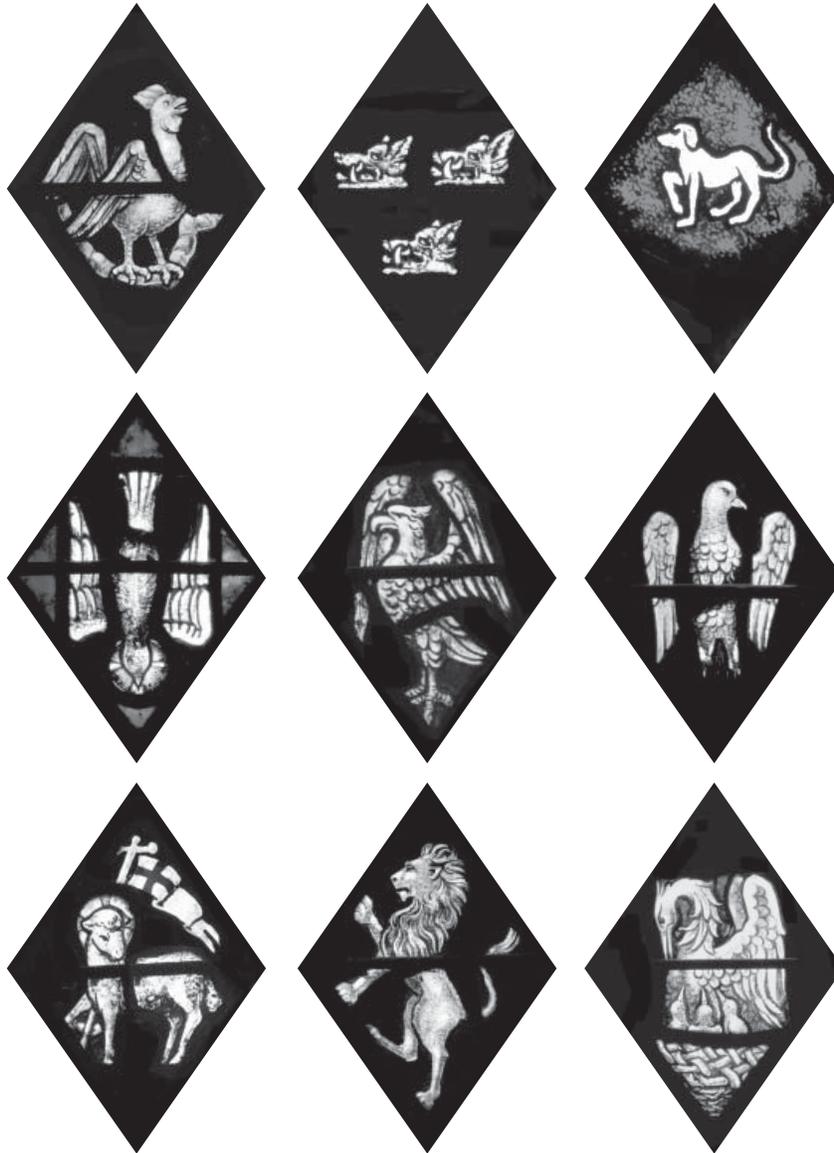
BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Eugène Gigout

IN THE DETAILS



All Creatures Great and Small

In between every pair of ovals in the *grisaille* stained glass windows (on the north and south walls of the sanctuary) there are small diamonds with various Christian symbols; pictured here are those featuring animals. (The boars' heads and dogs in the upper right two diamonds above were family crests of the church's architects; both diamonds are above the "Ministers' Plaque" in the north aisle.)

One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Hardy Kim, Elizabeth B. Andrews, Calum I. MacLeod
9:30 a.m.	Keith C. Harris, Elizabeth B. Andrews, Calum I. MacLeod
11:00 a.m.	Keith C. Harris, Alice M. Trowbridge, Calum I. MacLeod

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir
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, given by Diane Meister, highlights Fourth Presbyterian Church's observance of Earth Sunday today. For details, information, and resources about caring for creation, stop by Coffee Hour following worship.

Fourth Church welcomes youth from Third Baptist Church to worship this morning.

This morning's introit is a thirteenth-century chant. The text, which is much older than that, was written by Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348–413), who was a lawyer, prolific poet, and author.

The Chicago Lights Annual Fund Appeal continues today. Because this is the only general appeal for Chicago Lights that will be made this year, those who would like to make gifts in support of the Chicago Lights programs—Tutoring and Scholarship, Summer Day, Near North Magnet Cluster Schools, Elam Davies Social Service Center, Center for Whole Health, and Center for Life and Learning—are invited to take advantage of the special offering envelopes available in the pew racks. Gifts may also be made by writing “Chicago Lights Annual Fund” on a check made payable to Chicago Lights. Information about this appeal and the programs it supports is available at the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour and by calling Katy Frey, Associate Director of Donor Relations and Communications, at the church at 312.274.3816.

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