

Two things are absolutely essential to the church: Jesus Christ and human need. In that place where the church dwells are the rich and the poor, the haves and the have-nots, the powerful and the powerless. There are those who are educated and those who are ignorant. There are those who believe and those who don't believe. There are the high and the mighty and the lowly who nobody knows. In between is the Church of Jesus Christ. The church is called to help both the haves and the have-nots, the powerful and the powerless. The church is to be the gospel for all these people. As long as you have Christ and as long as you have needs, you have the church.

Fred Craddock

"While the Minister Is in Jail" from *The Cherry Log Sermons*

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 Saturday, October 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, October 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, November 5, 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 Trio in G Minor *Josef Rheinberger*
(8:00)

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in G Minor *Johann Sebastian Bach*
(9:30 and 11:00) Trio in G Minor *Josef Rheinberger*
Prelude and Fugue in C Minor *Anton Bruckner*

INTROIT “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” *Thomas Tallis*
(8:00)
I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s light.
Look unto me; thy morn shall rise and all thy day’s be bright.”
I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun, and
in that light of life I’ll walk till traveling days are done.

INTROIT “Homecoming” from *Once Upon a Parable* *Allen Pote*
(9:30 and 11:00)
Lost and lonely child who ran away, so far away from home
has found the grace to pray. She is kneeling in the dust,
feeling her mistake. Yet within the grief and pain, her soul
has come awake. Lord, I know to be a child is more than
I deserve. I return to be with you, content to simply serve.
The child who ran away is rising up to walk again and go
a different way. Still so far from home, so far apart, when
a distant sight appears to heal a broken heart. God is standing
at the gate with a trusting face, running down the road till
loving arms embrace. So we all must humbly kneel when
we go astray, rising up to walk again and go a different way.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 420** “God of Grace and God of Glory” *Tune: CWM RHONDDA*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
(*unison*)

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,
we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
for we have done wrong.
We have lived for ourselves and apart from you.
We have turned from our neighbors
and refused to bear the burdens of others.
We have ignored the pain of the world
and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.
In your great mercy forgive our sins
and free us from selfishness, that we may
choose your will and obey your commandments;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(9:30 and 11:00)

UNISON PRAYER

(9:30 and 11:00)

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.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER

Psalm 66:1–12 (*responsively*)

(page 499, O.T.)

ANTHEM

(8:00)

“Cantate Domino”

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel be glad in its maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

ANTHEM

(9:30 and 11:00)

“Alleluia”

Alessandro Scarlatti

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 23:37–39

(page 25, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Jeremiah 29:1, 4–7

(page 687, O.T.)

SERMON

by John M. Buchanan

GOD COMES THROUGH THE LINE

“Seek the welfare of the city, . . . pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.”

Jeremiah 29:7 (NRSV)

***HYMN 413**

“All Who Love and Serve Your City”

Tune: CHARLESTOWN

*** 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”

John W. W. Sherer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY Prelude on an Introit
(8:00)

Pierre Camonin

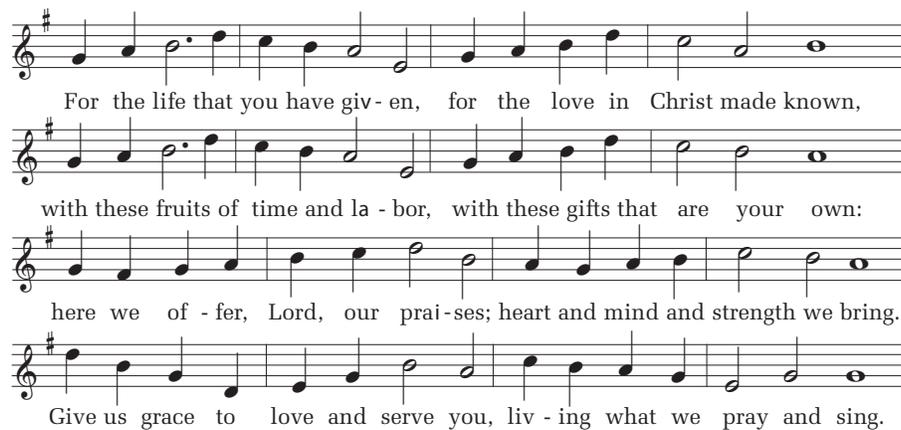
OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

“Jubilate Deo”

Giovanni Gabrieli

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; blessed is the one who loves the Lord. May the God of Israel be with you and send you help from his holy place and from Zion. May the Lord bless you, the Lord who made heaven and earth. Serve the Lord with gladness.

***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: **Eternal God, creator of the world and giver of all good,
we thank you for the earth, our home,
and for the gift of life.**

**We praise you for your love in Jesus Christ,
who came to heal this broken world,
who died rejected on the cross
and rose triumphant from the dead.**

**Because he lives, we live to praise you, our God forever.
Gracious God, who called us from death to life,
we give ourselves to you;
and with the church through all ages we thank you
for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN 434**

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

Tune: KINGSFOLD

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Fanfare

Arthur Willis

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Triumphal March

Jacques Lemmens

BAPTISM AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*“Let the little children come to me . . .
for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.”
Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)*

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God’s grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God’s love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service.

In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

The children being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

*Christopher Louis Ackerman, son of Mark and Nancy Ackerman
Esmé Love Fuller, daughter of Brian Fuller and Amanda Love
Melody Shuying Kulich, daughter of James and Dawn Kulich
Elisabeth Adams Raub, daughter of Christopher and Emily Raub*

The children being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

*Trent Edward Ehrle, son of Michael and Megan Ehrle
Maxwell Benjamin Few, son of Julius and Jennifer Few
Kristian Aiden Hill, son of Chris and Debbie Hill
Phillip George Stanley Lane, son of Jeremy and Mandy Lane
Emersen Grace Browning Mann, daughter of Thomas and Kara Mann
John-Paul Nicholson, son of Scott and Alice Lee Nicholson
Parker Presley Welanetz, son of Robert Welanetz and Karen Spencer*

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m.	Elizabeth B. Andrews, John W. Vest, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m.	Elizabeth B. Andrews, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir
9:30 a.m.	The Children's Choir; The Morning Choir; Elizabeth Anderson, Andrea Pokrefke, and Marnie Pomeroy, soprano soloists
11:00 a.m.	The Children's Choir; The Morning Choir; Elizabeth Anderson, Andrea Pokrefke, and Marnie Pomeroy, soprano soloists

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist
Beverly Escuder, Director of Children's and Youth Music

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is being presented by Allison Youngblood on behalf of the Stewardship Committee.

Today's 9:30 and 11:00 introit, "Homecoming" from Allen Pote's musical *Once Upon a Parable*, is being sung by the Fourth Church Children's Choir. The Children's Choir will present *Once Upon a Parable* on Friday October 19 at 7:00 p.m. and again on Saturday, October 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. All are invited to these free performances.

The Psalm 116:12 text on the bulletin cover is the theme for the 2008 Stewardship Campaign. It expresses the gratitude we feel for the blessings in each of our lives and also asks us to see this gratitude as inspiring a generous response expressed in giving. One way in which we give is through our pledged gifts to Fourth Presbyterian Church. Cards for making these pledges have been mailed to each member home and are also available in the pew racks. For more information about giving at Fourth Church, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, are intended to elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day. More information about these hangings is available in the literature racks.

Pastoral Staff

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