

November 25, 2007

Christ the King Sunday

As people of the Word, throughout Christian history,
we have helped one another to discover
a new word and new life in an old book.

Lillian Daniel

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

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship.

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

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 today from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, December 3 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, December 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. 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)

Communion

Louis Vierne

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Sanctus from *The Mass for the Convents* *Louis Couperin*

Communion *Louis Vierne*

The Celestial Banquet *Olivier Messiaen*

INTROIT

“O Taste and See”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how good the Lord is;
blest is the one that trusteth in him.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 151**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Tune: DIADEMATA

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

PSALTER

Psalm 138 (*responsively*)

(page 545, O.T.)

***GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

**Stand as you are able.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1:68–79 (page 54, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON by Adam Fronczek

FINDING OURSELVES IN THE STORY

“By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” Luke 1:78–79 (NRSV)

***HYMN 503** “Come, Risen Lord”

Tune: SURSUM CORDA

***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.**

OFFERING

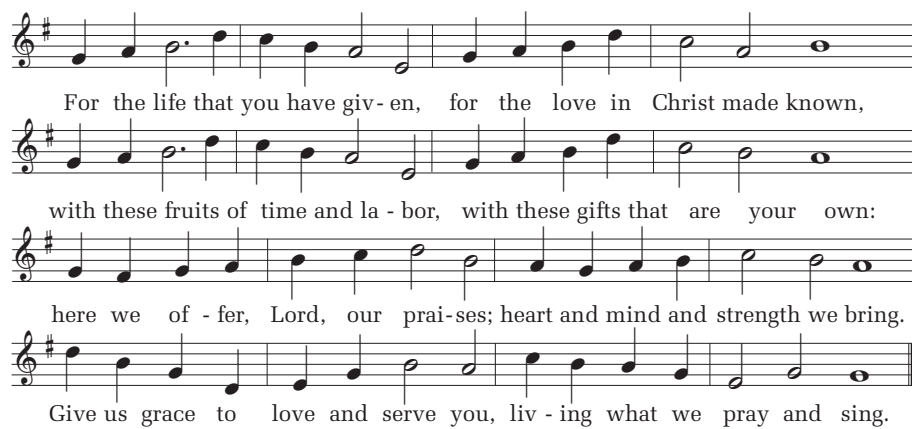
OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY “Pastorale
(8:00)

Louis Lefébure-Wély

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” *Edward Bairstow*
Let all mortal flesh keep silence and stand with fear and trembling
and lift itself above all earthly thought, for the King of kings
and Lord of lords, Christ our God, cometh forth to be our
oblation and to be given for food to the faithful. Before him
come the choirs of angels with every principality and power,
the cherubim with many eyes, and winged seraphim who
veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn, alleluia.

*OFFERTORY 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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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

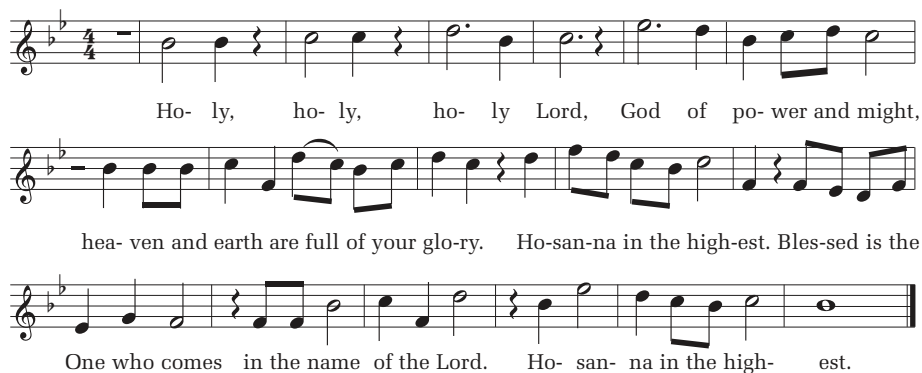
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,
hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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Minister: You are holy, O God of majesty . . .
 . . . dedicated to your service.
 Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:
 People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
 Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)* (page 16, The Hymnal)

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life" *Paul M. French*
 (8:00)

COMMUNION ANTHEMS "O Sacrum Convivium" *Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*
 (9:30 and 11:00) "Adoremus in Aeternum" *Iain Quinn*

PSALM 23 *(recited in unison after all have received the cup)*
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(unison) Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 141** "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" *Tune: DEO GRACIAS*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE The Lord Is King *Peter Hurford*
 (8:00)

POSTLUDE While the King Sitteth at His Table, My Spiknard
 (9:30 and 11:00) Sendeth out the Perfume *Marcel Dupré*

THE LORD'S SUPPER AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 14:19 (NRSV)

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the

worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

At our morning communion services, the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers first take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at evening worship.

*"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35 (NRSV)*

Portions of the text adapted from
The Book of Order

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Thomas C. Rook, Alice M. Trowbridge, Adam H. Fronczek
9:30 a.m.	John W. Vest, Alice M. Trowbridge, Adam H. Fronczek
11:00 a.m.	Thomas C. Rook, Joyce Shin, Adam H. Fronczek

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir; Carol Mycio, soprano soloist; Carol Carpenter, flute
9:30 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Callie Thompson, soprano soloist
11:00 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Callie Thompson, soprano soloist

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

Worship Notes

The “Light Up a Life” offering is being received throughout November and December. This year-end giving campaign supports congregational programs; mission and community outreach, including Chicago Lights programs; and denominational programs. “Light Up a Life” gifts can be made using the special offering envelopes found in the pew racks or by writing “Light Up a Life” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The Psalm 116:12 text on the bulletin cover is the theme for the 2008 Stewardship Campaign. It also expresses our reflections as we approach the Thanksgiving season, a time of gratitude for the blessings in each of our lives as well as a time to see this gratitude as inspiring a generous response lived out in giving. One of the many ways in which we give is through our pledged gifts to Fourth Presbyterian Church. Those who have not yet made their pledge for 2008 can find pledge cards in the pew racks. For more information about giving at Fourth Church, call Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

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