A special word of welcome to all who are worshiping with us this morning! For more information about Fourth Presbyterian Church, please contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

**Following this service** at the beach, all are invited to the Randolph Room at Fourth Church (on Michigan Avenue, between Chestnut and Delaware) for a continental breakfast. Please enter the glass doors at 126 E. Chestnut, a half-block west of Michigan Avenue.

# We invite you to worship with us often!

## Sundays

8:00 a.m. Communion 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. *(on Easter Sunday, 11:30 a.m.)* 4:00 p.m. Jazz Service with Communion

# Fourth Friday of the Month

7:30 p.m. Prayer service in the style of Taizé Opportunity to walk the labyrinth is available prior to Taizé, between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

# Participating in this Service

HARDY H. KIM, Associate Pastor JUDITH L. WATT, Associate Pastor ABBI HEIMACH-SNIPES, Pastoral Resident LUKE BEASLEY, ROBERT CROUCH, BEN HEIMACH-SNIPES, JON KENT, LINDEN MOOT, BRAD PIERCE, MELANIE PIERCE, AND ELAINE TIERNEY MEMBERS OF TOWER BRASS, Fourth Church's brass ensemble

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#### PRELUDE

Canzona per sonare IV ..... Giovanni Gabrieli arr. Robert King

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Risen Christ, you burst from the grave.

#### All: Help us to burst to life.

Leader: You breathed on your disciples.

#### All: Breath life into us.

Leader: In our baptism, O Lord Christ, our self-centered life is buried,

#### All: and we rise up with your new life in us.

Leader: Day by day, may we be buried.

#### All: Day by day—even this day—may we rise anew.

#### HYMN "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

- Jesus Christ is risen today—Alleluia! our triumphant holy day—Alleluia! who did once upon the cross—Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing—Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King—Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave—Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3. But the pains which he endured—Alleluia! our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King—Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above—Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host—Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## EASTER LITANY OF GATHERING AND CONFESSION

## Leader: Lord God,

early in the morning, when the world was young, you made life in all its beauty and terror; you gave birth to all that we know. Hallowed be your name.

#### All: Hallowed be your name.

Leader: Early in the morning,

when the world least expected it, a newborn child crying in a cradle announced that you had come among us, that you were one of us. Hallowed be your name.

#### All: Hallowed be your name.

Leader: Early in the morning,

surrounded by respectable liars, religious leaders, anxious statesmen, and silent friends, you accepted the penalty for doing good, for being God: you shouldered and suffered the cross. Hallowed be your name.

## All: Hallowed be your name.

Leader: Early in the morning, a voice in a guarded graveyard, and footsteps in the dew proved that you had risen, that you had come back to those and for those who had forgotten, denied, and destroyed you. Hallowed be your name.

## All: Hallowed be your name.

Leader: This morning,

in the multicolored company of your church on earth and in heaven, we celebrate your creation, your life, your death and resurrection, your interest in us; so we pray,

All: Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired; new love where we have turned hard-hearted; forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded; and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit, where we are prisoners of ourselves.

(Please hold silence.)

Leader: To all and to each; on his community and on his friends; where regret is real; Jesus pronounces his pardon and grants us the right to begin again. Thanks be to God!

## All: Amen.

## THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

# PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON	
Leader:	The Word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.
SECOND LESSON	John 20:1–18
Leader:	The Word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

## HYMN "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

- Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days! Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed. In the desert all-surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.
- Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.
  Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.
  Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.
  Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.
- 3. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## INVITATION AND THANKSGIVING

- Leader: The Lord be with you.
  - All: And also with you.
- Leader: Lift up your hearts.

## All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

## All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:
  - All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

# 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.

#### THE COMMUNION

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

We thank you, O God, that, through Word and Sacrament , you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service, that our daily living may show our thanks and proclaim the resurrection we celebrate this day to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## HYMN "Christ Is Alive!"

- Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.
- In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn, or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.
- 4. Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
- 5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

# **CLOSING RESPONSES**

Leader: Glory be to you,

- People: God, our strength and our redeemer.
- Leader: The vacant cross and the empty tomb vindicate your claim that your all-suffering love is indeed the love that saves. So fill your people with joy and your church with celebration
- People: that the world may know that your Holy Son Jesus is not a dead hero we commemorate, but the living Lord we worship; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be our praise forever. Amen.

# BENEDICTION