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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Tune in E Major . . . . . George Thalben-Ball  
Morning Song . . . . . Edward Elgar; arr. Herbert Brewer  
Elegy . . . . . Malcolm Archer

Introit :: “I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness” . . . . . Antonín Dvorák

*I will sing new songs of gladness,  
I will sing Jehovah’s praises upon a ten-stringed psaltery.  
Every day will I extol thee and will bless thy holy name,  
I will bless thy holy name. Great is God and great his mercy.  
Who shall tell of all his greatness? Who shall his power declare?  
My song shall be of praise and honor and of thy glorious acts.  
Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing.  
Yea, all shall tell of thy great kindness and of thy wondrous might,  
and my voice shall proclaim aloud thy glory.*

### \*Doxology (sung)

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

### Welcome and Call to Worship

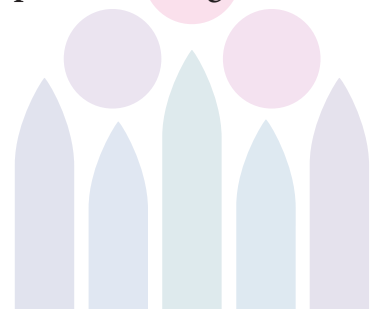
### Prayer of Praise

Hymn . . . . . “Baptized in Water”

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise, faithfully now God’s praises we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King;  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God’s praises we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
born of the Spirit, we are God’s children; joyfully now God’s praises we sing.



Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

You walk among us, O Lord, hoping we will see your face in the crowd. We confess that most of the time we are not looking. And when we do look, we are afraid of what we see. When we close our ears and refuse to listen for you calling our names, forgive us. When we are too wrapped up in our own concerns to recognize you in the concerns of others, forgive us. When we are too certain and there is no room for the freedom of your mystery, forgive us. When we have locked our doors, our minds, and our hearts to learning or experiencing anything new about you or about each other, forgive us. Show us your face again, living God. Teach us to see and to welcome you in. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*

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

Solo # “Give Me Jesus” . . . . . African American spiritual; arr. Harry T. Burleigh

*O when I come to die, give me Jesus.*

*Give me Jesus; you may have all this world, give me Jesus.*

*Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus.*

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**Listening for the Word**

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Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson . . . . . Ephesians 2:11–22

Gloria Patri (*unison*)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:<sup>†</sup>  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson . . . . . Luke 15:1–10

Sermon . . . . . Shannon J. Kershner

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<sup>†</sup>Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

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## Responding to the Word

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Hymn ..... “What Is the World Like”

What is the world like when God’s will is done?  
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive:  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?  
Witness the wandering child coming home;  
watch as the parent breaks into a run.  
This is how God longs for us when we roam.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?  
No more is neighbor just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?  
Ready for feasting, we watch through the night,  
tending our lamps till the new day’s begun.  
This is how God readies us for the light.

These are the stories that Jesus imparts,  
filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God’s will is done.

### 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.

## Offering and Prayer of Dedication

### Offertory Solo

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me” . . . . . African American spiritual; arr. Edward Boatner  
*I want Jesus to walk with me, all along my pilgrim’s journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me, when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk  
with me. When I’m in trouble, Lord, walk with me, when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord,  
I want Jesus to walk with me.*

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## Bearing the Word into the World

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Hymn . . . . . “There Is Now a New Creation”

**There is now a new creation through the grace of Jesus Christ,  
peace and reconciliation with the God of endless life.**

**Call the lost and found together; tell the news to everyone:  
now the past is gone forever and a new life has begun.**

**Wrap the prodigal in welcome; run to greet the wayward child.  
All is finished and forgiven; let us now be reconciled.**

**Come and join the celebration; come and join this happy feast;  
Jesus makes an invitation to the greatest and the least.**

**There is now a new creation through the grace of Jesus Christ.  
Sing, with thanks and adoration, to the God of endless life!**

### Charge and Benediction

Postlude ♯ Fanfare . . . . . C. S. Lang



We will continue to gather online for **livestream-only worship throughout the summer**, as our campus will remain closed through August. In addition to livestreaming our 11:00 a.m. service at [www.bit.ly/FPCworship](http://www.bit.ly/FPCworship), where the service is available throughout the week, we make the service and sermon available via **podcast on iTunes and Spotify** ([www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast](http://www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast)); we also invite you to sign up to receive our sermons **by email** ([www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons)).

As a connectional community committed to living out our care for one another and remaining together while apart, **we very much we want to hear from you!** Our pastors, Deacons, Stephen Ministers, and other volunteers are available to connect with you by phone and email. Please let us know by contacting our Pastoral Care Office ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org))—

- ▶ **if you want to talk about the grief, anger, and frustration you are feeling**
- ▶ **if you are—or someone you know is—feeling isolated, lonely, anxious, or sick**
- ▶ **if you are a medical professional or are a provider of essential services**, as we want to care for you as well in what we know are difficult days for you and your colleagues
- ▶ **if you have a prayer request**; Dave Handley ([dhandley@fourthchurch.org](mailto:dhandley@fourthchurch.org)) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries
- ▶ **if you would like to talk to a pastor**, please call the church (312.787.4570) and your request will be forwarded to someone on the pastoral staff.
- ▶ **if you would like to explore options for teletherapy** with our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, the Center invites you to call them at 312.787.2729, ext 2260.

Stephen Ministry is here to help you in this difficult days. If you would like to have a **phone conversation with a Stephen Minister**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

On Wednesday mornings we gather online at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**. To join in this time of prayer, please email Carol Allerton ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org)) for the details.

Those who are interested in **becoming a member of Fourth Church** are invited to join us online for an Inquirers' Class next Sunday, June 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register for this one-session class (*required for membership*) and discover more about Fourth Church history, mission, and congregational life as well as the Presbyterian Church (USA), **sign up at [www.bit.ly/inquirer0620](http://www.bit.ly/inquirer0620)**; we will be welcoming new members on June 28.

**Ensure you receive the latest updates** from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at [www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc](http://www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)

A **new Men's Small Discussion Group** will begin in July and meet weekly for three months to discuss the participants' "spiritual autobiographies." For details contact David Handley ([dhandley@fourthchurch.org](mailto:dhandley@fourthchurch.org)). \* This opportunity is just one way we remain connected as community and church while we are apart. **TwentiesThirties** offers opportunities for young adults, including a weekly Zoom Coffee Hour following worship and a book study. Details are available from Joe Morrow ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)). \* Adults sixty and over are invited to take part in online **Center for Life and Learning** courses and gatherings—ranging from exercise classes to lectures to Book Club. Details are available from Susan Quaintance ([squaintance@fourthchurch.org](mailto:squaintance@fourthchurch.org)). \* Information about **online youth group** and **home-from-college gatherings** is listed at [fourthchurch.org/youth](http://fourthchurch.org/youth). \* **Noonday Concerts** are streamed on Fridays at 12:10 p.m. at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms), where they are also available later in the week.

Our daily devotions are available as a **resource for personal meditation and prayer**. You can receive them in your inbox (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)) or read them online ([www.fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://www.fourthchurch.org/devotions)), via Facebook ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), or on Twitter ([www.twitter.com/fourthchicago](http://www.twitter.com/fourthchicago)). \* An opportunity for a virtual **Sacred Pause time of meditation** is offered by our Replogle Center on Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) and Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) at [facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](http://facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing)

As part of our commitment to caring for the most vulnerable, Fourth Church **Meals Ministry** is providing—via outdoor pickup—"to go" meals for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers and "to go" lunches for the Tuesday-through-Thursday Bag Lunch program. \* Tuesday through Friday mornings the Chicago Lights **Social Service Center** offers "curbside" pickup of emergency clothing; hygiene items; and pre-assembled bags for scheduled Food Pantry appointments. \* For ways to **order and ship items needed for these ministries** see [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)

This summer we are offering **junior high and senior high online service-learning experiences** through our Urban Youth Mission program. The deadline to register for the junior high session is this Wednesday, June 17. For details about those experiences as well as other summer youth opportunities, contact Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)). \* Our **children and families** also continue to gather online for a variety of activities, from Sunday School to weekday craft time to TED Talk conversations for parents to fun family nights, including an upcoming trivia evening. Plans are also underway for online VBS later this summer. For details and Zoom links, contact Briana Belding-Peck ([bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org](mailto:bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org)).

Watch our **website** ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) for additional resources and ways to connect. We also encourage you to follow us on **Facebook** ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)) and **Instagram** ([www.instagram.com/fourthchurch](http://www.instagram.com/fourthchurch)) for updates and glimpses of our life together while apart.

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## Worship Leaders

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Nanette Sawyer, John Marr, Lucy Forster-Smith, Shannon J. Kershner

## The Music Today

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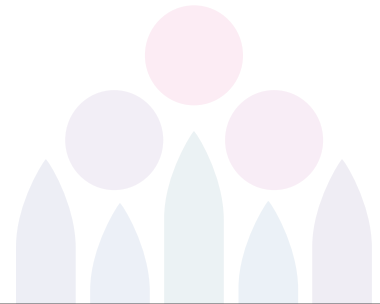
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Laura Kubelka, Soloist

## Worship Notes

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YOUR GIFTS TO FOURTH CHURCH MATTER NOW MORE THAN EVER! When we do not pass a plate, it is easy for our offering to decrease. But our expenses continue as we remain committed to feeding our hungry neighbors and to paying our staff. Your generosity in this time makes a big difference! You can **give online** at [www.fourthchurch.org/give-online](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online) (or via the **“To Make a Gift”** button on our website: [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)); **via Venmo** (@Fourth-Church); or via a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church and mailed to 126 E. Chestnut, Chicago, IL 60611.2014.



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