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 child needs care or becomes disruptive during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. Child care for infants is provided in the Nursery in the Page Smith Room, straight through the south transept doors, and for toddlers in the Second-Floor Conference Room. See an usher for directions.

Worship folders, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from the ushers outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall, and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary.

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.

We invite you to stop by Coffee Hour after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

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

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of $7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the Hancock garage, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available on Sunday mornings only, at the rate of $6.00 for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.

Inquirers’ Class explores 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, April 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For membership information, contact Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Cares
To notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange homebound Communion with a Deacon, contact Sarah Johnson, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org).
MORNING WORSHIP

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

Prelude

Elegy  James Biery
Reflection  Michael R. Keller
For the Beauty of the Earth  Conrad Kocher
arr. Arnold B. Sherman

Introit

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”  Charles Gabriel
Why should I feel discouraged; why should the shadows come; why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home when Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is he; his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. I sing because I’m happy; I sing because I’m free.

*Doxology and Invocation  (The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 210

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”  Tune: St. Anne

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Everlasting God, fountain of all life and the true home of every heart:
our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
Yet we confess that our hearts have been enslaved by selfish passion and base desire.
We have sought after many things and have neglected the one thing needful.
We have not loved you with our whole hearts; help us to turn to you and find forgiveness.
Lead us home, that we may again find in you our life and joy and peace. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Concerns of the Church

Psalter  Psalm 95:1–7a (responsively)  (page 520, O.T.)

*Stand as you are able.
ANTHEM

“I Sought the Lord”  
Wilbur Held

I sought the Lord and afterward I knew he moved
my soul to seek him, seeking me. It was not I that found,
O Savior true; no, I was found of thee. Thou didst reach
forth thy hand and mine enfold; I walked and sank not
on the storm-vexed sea. ’Twas not so much that I on thee
took hold, as thou, dear Lord, on me. I find, I walk, I love,
but O, the whole of love is but my answer, Lord, to thee!
For thou wert long beforehand with my soul; always thou
lovedest me.

FIRST LESSON

Romans 5:1–11  
(page 145, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 6:25–34  
(page 6, N.T.)

SERMON

A Full and Faithful Life

3. Looking Around . . . Not Worrying

“Do not worry about your life . . . Look at the birds. . . .
Consider the lilies.” (Matthew 6:25–28) (nrsv)

*HYMN 272

“God of the Sparrow”  
Tune: ROEDER

*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  “Rest in the Lord”  
Eric H. Thiman

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him,
and he shall give thee thy heart’s desires.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  “O Lord, Seek Us”  
Jean Berger

O Lord, seek us; O Lord, find us in thy patient care; be thy love
before, behind us, round us, everywhere: lest the god of this world
blind us, lest he speak us fair, lest he forge a chain to bind us, lest
he bait a snare. Turn not from us; call to mind us, find, embrace us,
bear; be thy love before, behind us, round us, everywhere.

*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.

*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: God of compassion,

we praise you that you look upon our frail lives

with love and understanding

and that you desire for us all

new life in Jesus Christ.

We are overwhelmed by your love,

which goes to the cross for us,

endures the grave,

and leads us to new life.

By your Spirit,

strengthen our souls to be brave and bold in Christ’s service.

Take our offerings,

and use them and us for your purposes,

in the name of Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord.

Amen.

*Hymn 422*

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

_Tune: Beach Spring_

**Benediction and Response**

**Postlude**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me _African American spiritual_

_arr. Calvin Taylor_
### Join the Journey to Easter

**Palm Sunday**  
*April 17*  
- 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
  Calum I. MacLeod preaching  
- 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Service with Palm Procession  
  John Buchanan preaching  
- 4:00 p.m. Jazz Service with Communion  
  Adam H. Fronczek preaching

**Holy Week**  
Monday–Friday, April 18–22  
**Noonday Services**  
at 12:10 p.m

**Maundy Thursday**  
*April 21*  
- 12:10 p.m. Communion Service  
- 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Communion Service

**Good Friday**  
*April 22*  
- 12:10 p.m. Good Friday Service  
- 4:00 p.m. Children/Youth Service in Anderson Hall  
- 7:30 p.m. Choral Service: *The Passion of Our Lord According to St. John* by J. S. Bach

**Saturday**  
*April 23*  
- Easter Vigil  
- 10:30 p.m. to midnight in the sanctuary  
  Sarah A. Johnson preaching

**Easter Sunday**  
*April 24*  
- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach  
  Victoria G. Curtiss preaching  
- 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Easter Services  
  John Buchanan preaching  
- 9:30 a.m. Children’s Service  
- 4:00 p.m. Easter Service  
  John W. Vest preaching

*Please note that the last morning service on Palm Sunday and Easter begins at 11:30 a.m.  
Because capacity for overflow seating at 9:30 and 11:30 on Easter Sunday will be limited due to construction work, please consider worshiping at 8:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday.*
Worship Leaders

9:30 a.m.  John H. Boyle, Joyce Shin, John Buchanan
11:00 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek, Joyce Shin, John Buchanan

The Music Today

9:30 a.m.  The Handbell Choir; the Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. The Handbell Choir; the Morning Choir

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

Worship Notes

This morning’s Prayer of Confession is from The Worship Sourcebook (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship).

John Buchanan’s sermons during Lent will consider “A Full and Faithful Life” and are based on texts from Matthew 6–7. Next Sunday’s sermon, based on Matthew 7:7–11, will be “Asking, Searching, Knocking.”

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Chicago Lights Tutoring and Elam Davies Social Service Center, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. Gifts can be made by using the envelopes in the pew racks or by writing “Lenten Offering” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The bulletin cover photo front depicts the Michigan Avenue stairs up to the south Narthex entrance during the February 1–2 blizzard. The cover quote is from the book Biblical Wisdom for Daily Living by Peter J. Gomes.

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