

Welcome to Worship at Fourth Presbyterian Church

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, service, and program life of Fourth Church!

During Today's Worship

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available in the Narthex.

Worship also can be heard through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

Individual listening devices for improved sound are also available from ushers.

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 through two-year-olds is provided in the Nursery on the first floor of the Gratz Center. The Hospitality Suite on the second floor is also available for parents and infants. 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 worshippers 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 may 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 on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton street) at the rate of \$10. 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, is available on Sunday mornings only at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and only for three hours in that period. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.

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

An organ tour begins at 12:15 p.m. at the front of the Sanctuary.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Monday, May 4, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, May 16, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, June 1, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@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, contact Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org). Please note that under current law, medical institutions no longer automatically inform churches when a member is admitted.

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness. Johann Sebastian Bach
Cello Suite no. 2 in D Minor. J. S. Bach
Prelude

Introit

“Lift Up Your Hearts” Stephen Sturk
*Lift up your hearts, ye people, in songs of glad accord;
and in your adoration praise Christ your risen Lord.*

*Doxology (*sung*). The Hymnal, 606

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.

*Call to Worship

Minister: *We come so we might know again that Christ is raised
and will never die again;*

People: **we praise him, for death no longer has dominion over him.**

Minister: *We come because he died to sin, once, for all of us;*

People: **and the life he now lives, he lives to God.**

Minister: *We come to follow Jesus and to declare*

People: **that we are also dead to sin and alive to God in our risen Lord;**

Minister: *to him be all praise and honor this day.*

People: **Let us worship our Savior with joy!**

*Prayer of Praise

**Stand as you are able.*

*Hymn 246 “Christ Is Alive!”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to trust your love enough
to tell the story of what it has accomplished for us.
We have not done your will;
we have broken your law;
we have rebelled against your love.
We have not loved our neighbors,
and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
that we might make your love present to a suffering world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

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

Concerns of the Church

Anthem

“Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One” Healey Willan
*Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away;
for lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone;
the flowers appear upon the earth;
the time of the singing of birds is come.*

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*sung*) Hymn 328

Verse 1: Choir sings alone in Twi (*the language from Ghana*)
Verse 2: Congregation sings in English
Verse 3: Congregation sings in Twi

*Gloria Patri (*sung*). The Hymnal, 581

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

Scripture Lesson

John 21:15-25 New Testament, page 109

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Learning to Say “I Love You” Hardy H. Kim

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 720 “Jesus Calls Us”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*). from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (PCUSA)

In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children, healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

Reception of New Members (11:00)

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" William Byrd

Offering

Offertory Anthem

"Alleluia" Thomas Weelkes

*Alleluia, I heard a voice as of strong thunderings, saying,
"Alleluia, salvation and glory and honor and power
be unto the Lord our God, and to the Lamb forevermore. Alleluia."*

*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 Dedication (*unison*)

Jesus, the power of God’s love, living in you,
has made you both Savior of all peoples and Lord of all life.
Therefore we pray your blessing upon these gifts we now bring
and upon us, as we offer our lives in service to you.
By your Holy Spirit, may all those who are touched
through the ministries made possible by these gifts
share in your victory over death and in the new life you bring.
And empower all whom you call to trust in God
to speak boldly the story of your love,
that the world might know the joy you intend for us.
In faith and hope we pray. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 726 “Will You Come and Follow Me”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Imperial March Edward Elgar

Worship Leaders

9:30 Joyce Shin, John W. Vest, Hardy H. Kim

11:00 Joyce Shin, Judith L. Watt, Hardy H. Kim

The Music Today

The Morning Choir; Andrew Johnson, cellist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

WE WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING at 9:30 youth and their leaders from Sunnyside Presbyterian Church in South Bend, Indiana.

CELLIST ANDREW JOHNSON, a junior at Whitney Young High School, is a cello student at the Music Institute of Chicago (MIC). Founded in 1931 and one of the largest community music schools in the nation, MIC offers music lessons for all ages in various locations throughout the city, including at Fourth Church.

For more information, visit www.musicinst.org.

AS THE BULLETIN HEADINGS remind us, the center of our worship is the Word—by which we mean both Scripture, and also the Living Word of God, Jesus Christ. When Scripture is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the Living Word is present by the inward witness of the Holy Spirit. It is this Living Word that is the center of everything we do in worship. That worship follows the pattern we see in Isaiah 6: adoration, confession, absolution, thanksgiving, and service. We listen for the Word of God. We respond in song, affirmation of our faith, prayer, and the giving of our gifts and dedication of our lives, and then God sends us back into the world to live out our faith, looking for God’s work all around us.

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