

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

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

- Antiphon David Conte
Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God Dieterich Buxtehude
Adagio from *Symphony no. 9* Gustav Mahler
arr. Greg Fudala
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire Libby Larsen
All Creatures of Our God and King Gordon Schuster

Introit

- “The Gift of Love” (9:30) arr. Hal Hopson
“Here I Am, Lord” (11:00) Daniel L. Schutte

*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

Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!*

People: **Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.**

Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God.*

People: **Let your wind of hope swirl around us,
moving us from complacency.**

Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.*

People: **Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God’s presence
and love in everything we say and do. Let us worship!**

*Prayer of Praise

*Hymn 289 “On Pentecost They Gathered”

**Stand as you are able.*

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy Spirit, some of us are not sure we're ready for your awesome power to blow through our lives. Perhaps we've grown comfortable with our familiar habits and our routines. So when we cling to our ways and the safety of familiar paths, wake us up, shake us up, heat us up, and breathe your life into us. Walk with us, O God. Give us the courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire of your Spirit. On this Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity to ride the winds of your change. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: *Friends, believe this good news:*

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Concerns of the Church

Minute for Discipleship

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalms 104:24–34 Old Testament, page 525

Anthem with Liturgical Dance

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit” African American spiritual
arr. William L. Dawson

*Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Upon the mountain my Lord spoke; out of his mouth came fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine, 'til I asked my Lord if all was mine.
Jordan River is chilly and cold; it chills the body, but not the soul;
there ain't but one train upon this track; it runs to heaven and right back.*

First Lesson

Acts 2:1–12 New Testament, page 111

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

*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.

Second Lesson

Genesis 11:1-9 Old Testament, page 8

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Shannon J. Kershner

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 407 “Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers”

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

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
 everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
 The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
 sets us free to accept ourselves
 and to love God and neighbor,
 and binds us together with all believers
 in the one body of Christ, the church.
 In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
 we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
 and to live holy and joyful lives,
 even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,
 praying, “Come, Lord Jesus.”

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.

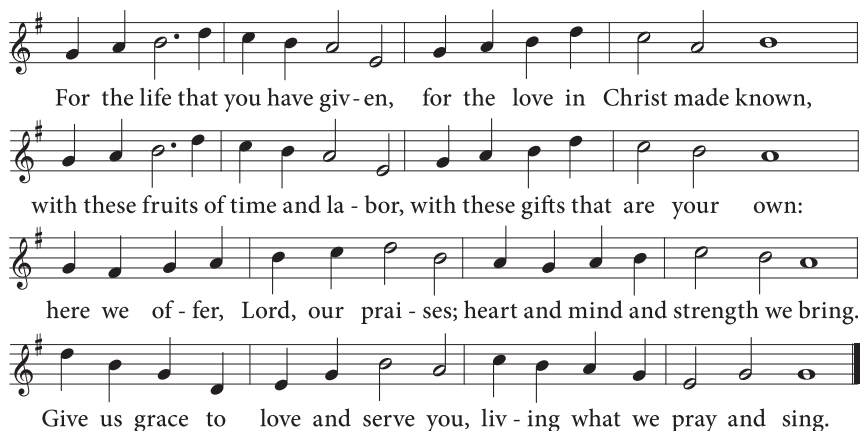
Prayer Response

“Amen” Eric DeLamarter

Offertory Anthem

“Behold, Now, the House of God” Richard Proulx
Behold, now, the house of God is with us; the Spirit of God dwelleth within you all. For the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are! Sing joyfully to the Lord all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; enter his courts with praise!

*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*)

O God,
may our gifts join your dance of healing and hope
to those living in despair.
May our voices join the multitude of languages crying out for justice.
May our hearts embrace those you are bringing into our community,
on this great day of Pentecost and in all the days to come.
By the Spirit's grace, we pray. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

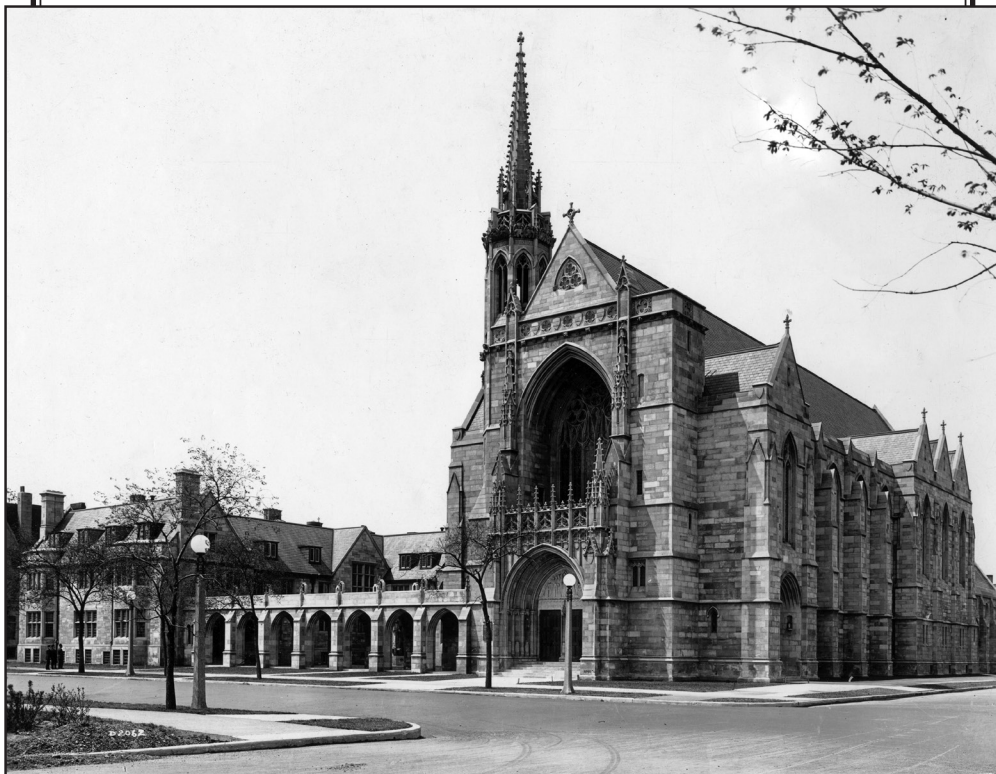
*Hymn 282 “Come Down, O Love Divine”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Recessional John Swan

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Today is Dedication Commemoration Sunday at Fourth Presbyterian Church, declared by Pastor John Timothy Stone in 1914 to be observed on the third Sunday of each May.

One hundred and two years ago, on Sunday, May 10, 1914, the Fourth Church congregation worshiped in the Michigan Avenue Sanctuary for the first time, having moved from its smaller facility on Rush at Superior. A series of dedicatory services were held the remainder of that week, and later that month, the new Sanctuary and Parish House buildings were host to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, including the assembly's communion service attended by more than 1,800 worshippers.

The photograph above was taken that spring.

Worship Leaders

Nanette Sawyer, Jeffrey Doane, Shannon J. Kershner

The Music Today

The Morning Choir; Tower Brass; The Youth Choir (9:30) The Children's Choir (11:00)

Chicago Lights Dance Academy (Cescily Washington, Director)

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist; Daniel Richardson, soloist

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

Katy Sinclair, Associate Director of Music for Children and Youth

Hsing-Huei Huang, pianist

Worship Notes

FOURTH CHURCH EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE to Tower Brass, the Children's Choir, and the Youth Choir for their musical leadership at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services throughout the academic year and to the Chicago Lights Dance Academy for offering today's interpretive liturgical dance.

TODAY'S MINUTE FOR DISCIPLESHIP is presented by Hilary Richardson on behalf of the Fourth Church Sunday School program.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST celebrates the birth of the church and the giving of the Holy Spirit to the disciples of Jesus. Red, which is the liturgical color for the day, symbolizes the pentecostal fire of the Holy Spirit, as described in Acts 2. The banners hanging in the Sanctuary present Pentecost themes, including creation, Hebrew law, harvest, Passover, and tongues of fire.

THE BULLETIN COVER photo of Fourth Church in the fog includes a soaring bird, evoking the imagery of a dove, which is often used to represent the Holy Spirit. The cover quote is from Garth House's book *Litanies for All Occasions*.

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