

August 22, 2004

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

The stories of biblical characters indicate that it is never an easy thing to be chosen of God; it is not something people choose for themselves. For Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Jacob, Ruth, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Mary, and Jesus himself, being God's chosen does not mean doing well. It does not grant access to all the answers but means contending with hard questions, thankless tasks, and usually a harrowing journey, which in Jesus' case leads to the cross.

Kathleen Norris

Amazing Grace, A Vocabulary of Faith

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.
- Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in Westminster 14, through the south transept doors and to the right. See an usher for directions. Activity bags for children in worship are available outside the south transept doors.
- 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 Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.50 to 4:00 p.m. (validation is for three hours or less) and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m.
- Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, August 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, September 13 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, September 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at 312.981.4025 (cmacleod@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Cares

- For pastoral care; to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request to be remembered in Morning Prayer; or to arrange homebound Communion, contact Carol Allen, Associate Pastor, at 312.640.5398 (callen@fourthchurch.org).
- The Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, a ministry of Fourth Church, offers support groups as well as individual, couples', and premarital counseling. Information about the Center is available in the literature racks or by calling 312.787.8425.
- Births, adoptions, and baptisms: To notify the church of births and adoptions or for information about baptisms, contact Jill Stephens Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578 (jschiltz@fourthchurch.org).

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MORNING WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00

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

PRELUDE (8:00) Air in D Major from *Suite No.3* Johann Sebastian Bach

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) Air in D Major from *Suite No.3* Johann Sebastian Bach
Canon in B Minor Robert Schumann
O God, Our Faithful God Johannes Brahms

INTROIT (8:00) "Search Me, O God" Eric DeLamarter
Search me, O God and know my heart. Try me and know
my thought, and see if there be any wicked way in me,
and lead me into the life everlasting. Amen.

INTROIT (9:30 and 11:00) *Sung by the Vacation Bible School Choir*

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 274 "O God of Earth and Space" Tune: LEONI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

God, you have given us the power of imagination,
through which the future grasps our lives today .
You have sent your prophets and set them afire with
visions of human life as you intend it. Yet we confess
that we have chosen other stories, replacing hope with
despair, substituting comfort for holy restlessness,
masking truth rather than facing reality. Forgive us,
and give us courage, that we may be drawn into
the future toward the new world you are creating
through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 71:1–6 *(responsively)* (page 532, O.T.)

ANTHEM	“Rise Up, Ye Saints of God!”	<i>Aaron Williams</i> <i>arr. Beryl Red</i>
	Rise you, ye saints of God! Have done with lesser things, give heart and mind and soul and strength to serve the Kings of kings. Rise up, ye saints of God! His kingdom tarries long. Bring in the day of brotherhood and end the night of wrong. Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod. As children of the Son of man, rise up. Rise up, ye saints of God!	
FIRST LESSON	Luke 13:10–17	(page 76, N.T.)
*GLORIA PATRI		(The Hymnal, 579)
SECOND LESSON	Jeremiah 1:4–10	(page 698, O.T.)
	Minister: The Word of the Lord.	
	People: Thanks be to God.	
SERMON	by Elizabeth Caldwell	
	CHOSEN	
	“...for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.”	
	Jeremiah 1:7–8 (NRSV)	
*HYMN 522	“Lord, When I Came Into This Life”	<i>Tune: LAND OF REST</i>
*APOSTLES’ CREED	<i>(unison)</i>	
	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.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen"

Vincent Persichetti

OFFERING

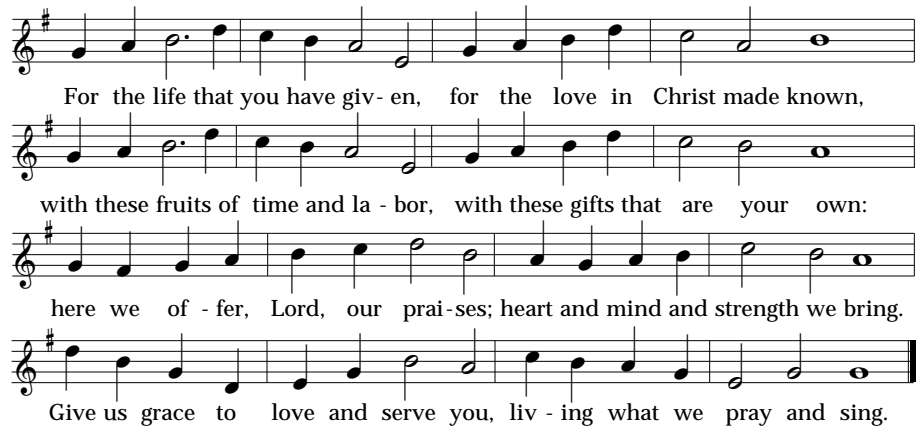
OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

"Panis Angelicus" *César Franck*
Bread of holy heaven, from God to mortals given,
fill our hungry souls, strengthen and revive again.
O most miraculous, thou dost come to us, lowly though
we servants be. Bread that the angels take is now
the bread of all. Bread that the heavens send makes
all our sorrows end.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

"Sovereign Lord, Creator, Righteous One" *Gustav Holst*
arr. Mary McDonald
Sovereign Lord, creator, righteous one, most high and holy
King, my redeemer, Father, dearest friend, my praise
to you I bring. I will praise your name forever, knowing
that you loved me first, for you feed my every hunger
and quench my every thirst. With my heart I'll ever
worship you; my voice will sing your praise for your
everlasting mercy and grace for every day. All creation
bows in humbleness before your heavenly throne and
I shall forever thank you for making me your own.
You are higher than the highest and the God of all who
live. You are worthy of all honor and praise that I can give.
All my life shall be a witness of your majesty and grace,
and in heaven I'll bow before you and see you face to face.
Amen.

*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.

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*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: For every benefit we praise you, God; for every gift received and for each gift we are blessed in giving.
For all your goodness we give thanks to you:
the providence which made and nourishes life,
the presence which brings meaning in divine and human love, and the promise that gives hope for each new moment. Out of faith and into hope we are led by your love, and for these graces we return our thanks.
In the Spirit of Christ, we pray and live. Amen.

*HYMN 339

“Be Thou My Vision”

Tune: SLANE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Trumpet Voluntary

John Stanley

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Crown Imperial

William Walton

IN THE DETAILS



These kneeling angels—beginning with the Alpha and the Omega—grace the roof supports on the colorful arches far above the pews; the eight motifs pictured here are repeated four times each. Like all of the painting in the sanctuary, they were executed under the direction of famed Chicago muralist Frederick Clay Bartlett.

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. David Aja-Sigmon, Pastoral Resident
Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
Elizabeth Caldwell, Professor, McCormick Seminary
- 9:30 a.m. Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor
Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
Elizabeth Caldwell, Professor, McCormick Seminary
- 11:00 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
Elizabeth Caldwell, Professor, McCormick Seminary

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; Jared Metzger, baritone soloist
- 9:30 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; Vacation Bible School Choir
- 11:00 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir; Vacation Bible School Choir

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

Worship Notes

Fourth Church welcomes Elizabeth Caldwell to the pulpit this morning. A longtime friend of Fourth Church, Dr. Caldwell is the Harold Blake Walker Professor of Pastoral Theology at McCormick Theological Seminary.

The men of the Morning Choir will be assisting in morning worship services during the month of August.

During 9:30 and 11:00 worship, Vacation Bible School students, directed by Katy Sinclair, will be singing some of the songs they learned during this past week's "Lava Lava Island: Where God's Love Flows" VBS experience.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, are intended to elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day. More information about these hangings is available in the literature racks.

The carving shown on the bulletin cover can be seen atop of the Children's Fountain. Located in the Garth, the fountain was the gift of Howard Van Doren Shaw, the Chicago-based architect who designed the Parish House, Manse, and Cloisters. Included in the carving is the verse "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" (Isaiah 11:9).

Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside the chapel or they can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

A Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, June 27.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.