



We all have to be born again, not once but many times, if we are to enter the kingdom. This deep longing for growth was and is the central force of the Christian pilgrimage. The Christian is always being born anew. The pressure to grow is inherent and yet we fight it. . . . There is a self within each of us aching to be born, a self burdened with contradiction, and everything we do is disguised to alleviate the discomfort caused by the contrary forces within us. We, like the heroes of old, have to enter a mythological cycle of descent and return, death and resurrection.

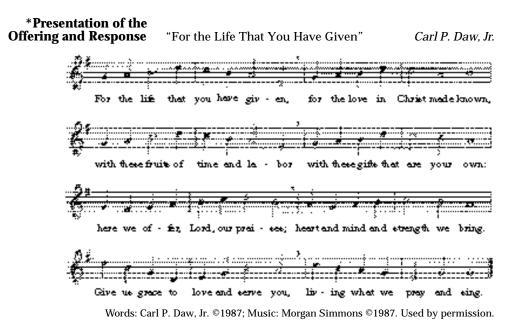
Alan Jones The Journey Beckons: Reflections on the Way of the Cross

THE FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHICAGOMorning Worship8:00, 9:30, and 11:00

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Prelude	Prelude Symphonie Breve I. Andante II. Very Fast III. Chorale	Frank Ferko
Introit	As the wind is your symbol, so forward our goings. As the dove, so launch us heavenwards. As water, so purify our spirits. As a cloud, abate our temptations. As dew, so revive our languor. As fire, so purge out our dross. Amen.	
*Doxology and Invocation		(The Hymnal, 592)
*Hymn 253	"I'll Praise My Maker"	Isaac Watts
Prayer of Confession	(unison) God of our lives, in Jesus Christ you chose to enter into our humanity and to be with us in our suffering. Yet we often choose the more expedient way so as to avoid pain and the less difficult way so as to avoid its burden. Our pursuit of comfort is greater than our striving after justice and righteousness. Thinking much of ourselves, we choose to think little of others. Forgive us, merciful God, and inform our choices with a holy indifference to ease and hardship, that we may be free to choose the way of Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.	
Declaration of Pardon Minister: All:	Friends, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.	
(11:00) Commissioning of Residents		
Concerns of the Church		
Psalter	Psalm 84 (responsively)	(page 543, O.T.)
(9:30 and 11:00) Anthem	"All My Hope" Dave Brubeck All my hope is in you, O Lord. You are my rock and my strength. Hope in darkness, my hope in light, you are my rock and my strength. My hope, my light, my peace, my joy, my faith, my life everlasting.	
First Lesson Minister: People:	Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	(page 215, O.T.)
*Gloria Patri		(The Hymnal, 579)

Second Lesson	John 6:56-69	(page 98, N.T.)
Sermon	by John M. Buchanan CHOICES "Choose this day whom you will s	erve." Joshua 24:15 (NRSV)
*Hymn 434	"Today We All Are Called to Be	Disciples" H. Kenn Carmichael
*Apostles' Creed	(traditional) I believe in God the Father Alm and earth, and in Jesus Christ h who was conceived by the Holy Mary, suffered under Pontius P and buried; he descended into J again from the dead; he ascende sitteth on the right hand of God from thence he shall come to ju dead. I believe in the Holy Gho church; the communion of sain the resurrection of the body; an Amen.	is only Son our Lor d; y Ghost, born of the Virgin ilate, was crucified, dead, hell; the third day he r ose ed into heaven, and the Father Almighty; dge the quick and the st; the holy catholic ts; the forgiveness of sins;
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer	(unison) Our Father who art in heaven, I Thy kingdom come, thy will be heaven. Give us this day our da our debts, as we forgive our del into temptation, but deliver us the kingdom and the power and Amen.	done, on earth as it is in hily bread; and forgive us btors; and lead us not from evil. For thine is
Response	Hear the prayers of your faithful presence of your Holy Spirit.	people, and grant us the
Offering		
(8:00) Offertory Solo	"Draw Thou My Soul" Alison Ruble, soprano	Janet Sanborn
(9:30 and 11:00) Offertory Anthem	"Come, Holy Ghost" Come, Holy Ghost, our souls im celestial fire. Thou, the anointin sev'nfold gifts impart. Thy bless comfort, life, and fire of love. E the dullness of our blinded sigh spoiled face with the abundanc our foes give peace at home; wh can come. Teach us to know the both, to be but One that through may be our endless song: praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. An	ng Spirit art, who dost thy sed unction from above is nable with perpetual light at. Anoint and cheer our e of thy grace. Keep far here thou art guide, no ill e Father, Son, and thee, of n the ages all along, this e to thy eternal merit,



Prayer of Thanksgiving

	Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our Go	ıd.	
People:	It is right to give our thanks and praise.		
All:	Holy God, you have chosen us and called us to witness to your love and grace in the world. In so doing, you have honored us. Help us now to honor you, not only with these gifts, which we now dedicate to you, but with lives of gratitude and service in the name of your gift of incarnate love, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.		
*Hymn 357	"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"	Washington Gladden	
Benediction and Response			

 Postlude
 And God Created Mountains
 Ned Rorem

^{*}Stand as you are able.

	Today's Worship	
Ministers	8:00: Calum I. MacLeod and John M. Buchanan9:30: John A. Cairns, Sarah Jo Sarchet, and John M. Buchanan11:00: John A. Cairns, Sarah Jo Sarchet, and John M. Buchanan	
Vespers Leader	Carol J. Allen	
The Music Today	 Hay 8:00: Members of the Morning Choir 9:30: The Morning Choir 11:00: The Morning Choir 6:30: The Vespers Choir 	
	Soloists: Elizabeth Hedgcock, soprano; Brian Rittenhouse, tenor Dave Brubeck's anthem "All My Hope" demonstrates the influence of gospel music in his sacred choral writing. The Morning Choir will sing several other sacred anthems by Dave Brubeck on September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Dave Brubeck and the Dave Brubeck Quartet will accompany the choir in these anthems during the first half of the program. The second half will feature the quartet alone. Tickets for this event are available at the reception desk. For more information about the concert, call the Music Infoline at ext. 600.	

> FOR LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, SEE AN USHER.

- > Child care for infants and toddlers is available in Westminster 14.
- > Please pass the registration pads during the Concerns of the Church, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to register and greet one another following the service.
- > Individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the Narthex.

Directory

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Prelude Prelude Symphonie Breve I. Andante

Frank Ferko

	II. Very Fast III. Chorale	
Call to Worship and Invocation		
Leader:	As we gather to worship, powerful	
People:	of our faith stand before us: water, The water reminds us of the clean power of God's love.	
Leader:	The communion table reminds us strengthens and nourishes those w	
People:	in preparation for service. The cross reminds us of God's pass humankind: a love tangible as woo eternity.	
All:	U U	
*Hymn 483	"Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns A	
		Johann Jacob Schütz
Prayer of Confession	(unison) Come near to us, each one, O God. Have mercy on us. With gentleness wipe away our faults; cleanse us of guilt; free us from our sins. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our creator and redeemer, help us face up to ourselves, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, tur n to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Assurance of Pardon Leader: All:	Friends, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.	
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Leader: All: Concerns of the Church	In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.	Benjamin Rogers e Lord and sing praises glorious. All the earth aises. Bless our God, all

Communion Meditation	by Carol J. Allen STRANGE WORDS "Those who eat my flesh and drink my and I in them."	blood abide in me, John 6:56 (NRSV)	
*Hymn 340	"Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart"	Alcuin	
*Affirmation of Faith	(unison) We are not alone, we live in God's world God: who has created and is creating, w Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile who works in us and others by the Spiri	is creating, who has come in 1, to reconcile and make new ,	

Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our Judge and our Hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Offering

Offertory Anthem	"Teach Me, O Lord"	Thomas Attwood
•	Teach me, O Lord, the way o	f thy statutes and I shall keep it
	unto the end.	

*Doxology

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Minister:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
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.

The Prayer of

Thanksgiving Leader:

Leader: ...who forever sing to the glory of your name: People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glor y. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

The Communion

Prayer After Communion	(unison) God our help, we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your Beloved One, Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for all signs in this world of your love and faithfulness and offer ourselves to your service, even as in Christ you have served us. Amen.	
*Hymn 376	"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"	Charles Wesley
Benediction		
Postlude	And God Created Mountains	Ned Rorem

*Stand as you are able.

The fourth presbyterian church of chicago $Coming \ Fourth$

IF YOU ARE NEW TO FOURTH CHURCH

Welcome! We are grateful for your presence and ask you to register your name on the pew pad. We invite you to

- > identify yourself by wearing a Fourth Church lapel pin, located in the pew racks
- > attend coffee hour in Anderson Hall following the morning worship services for fellowship and conversation; visit the Welcome Table and the Deacons' Information Table to learn about church programs and volunteer opportunities
- > tour the church building at 12:15 p.m., beginning at the rear of the Sanctuary
- > attend an Inquirers' Class and explore Presbyterian history, beliefs, and worship today, August 27, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, September 11, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, September 16, 9:00 a.m. to noon.

This class is a prerequisite for membership. No prior registration is necessary. For further information, contact Nan Birmingham at (312) 787-2729, ext. 210.

You are invited to participate in the worship, program, and service life of Fourth Church. For more information, see an usher or minister, or visit www. fourthchurch.org.

TODAY AT FOURTH CHURCH

Members of the Board of Deacons lead a brief period of intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel following the 11:00 service. Those who would like to offer prayers are welcome to leave prayer requests and to join in a time of prayer.

Today Fourth Church welcomes three pastoral residents who will be with Fourth Church for two years. Laurie Armstrong, from Atlanta; Paulo Franca, from Brazil, via Richmond, Virginia; and Steve Runholt,

Inquirers' Class Today

Those interested in learning about Presbyterian history, beliefs, and worship are invited to attend the Inquirers' Class being held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. today in the Page Smith Room. Lunch will be served. This class is a prerequisite for membership, but all are invited to attend whether or not they are considering membership. A list of dates when the Inquirers' Class will be offered in the future can be found in the literature racks. Call ext. 210 for more information about classes.

from Princeton, have completed their seminary degrees and expect to be ordained during the year. They will carry pastoral responsibilities while being mentored by the staff and congregation of Fourth Church.

Fourthlights (40s and older) meets at 9:15 a.m. in the Dining Room. Attorney Donna Harrigan will discuss estate planning. Next week, meet for breakfast and a presentation on national park vacations.

The pew registration pads , found on the aisle end of each pew, have a new look. They also provide the opportunity to list information not requested on the previous pads. During the Concerns of the Church, please take a moment to fill out the registration pad so that Fourth Church can keep its member and regular attendee files up to date as well as make note of visitors.

Sunday Night Community Supper needs volunteers to help prepare and serve the Community Supper on Sundays from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. To volunteer, please sign up in advance either at the Volunteer Table during coffee hour or by calling Larry Nicholson at ext. 463.

COMING EVENTS

The Chancel Choir, which sings for the 8:00 a.m. Sunday service during the school year, begins rehearsals again on Tuesday, August 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Vespers Choir, which sings every Sunday evening at the 6:30 service, rehearses on Sundays at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are invited to join these choirs. For more information, contact John Sherer at ext. 219.

Pastoral Car e. Please notify the church of illnesses, deaths, hospitalizations, and other pastoral care concerns. Call Carol Allen at ext. 292, or to request a hospital visit, leave a message at ext. 396.

The Lorene Replogle

Counseling Center offers a variety of professional services to the Fourth Presbyterian Church community. Consult a brochure in the literature racks or call (312) 787-8425 for information.

The Fourth Forum, a

gathering of gays, lesbians, and their friends, will have its First Sunday Brunch at Tucci Benucch, at 900 North Michigan Avenue, on September 3 following the 11:00 worship service. For additional information, call the Fourth Forum Infoline at ext. 397.

The Center for Older Adults fall kickoff party will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on September 5 in Anderson Hall. All older adults are welcome to visit with continuing education instructors, who will give a brief introduction to their class offerings. For more information or to make reservations for the party lunch, call Mary Belcastro at ext. 232.

Books by Women will meet on September 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *Birds of America* by Lorrie Moore. The Fourth Church Men's Group will resume its breakfast meetings on Saturday, September 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Al Sharp, Executive Director of Protestants for the Common Good, will speak and lead a discussion on "Politics, Faith, and the Common Good." Reservations are needed by 12:00 noon on September 8. Call (312) 787-4570.

Sunday school kicks off the fall term with an open house from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. on September 10 in the Westminster Lounge. Regular classes will begin on September 17. For more information, call Jill Stephens at ext. 282.

Venture Fourth will begin weekly book discussions this fall. Each week participants will read one chapter from a book and then discuss its meaning and relevance for their daily lives. Discussions will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon from September 10 to December 17 in the Manse. The first book will be Dorothy Bass's *Practicing Our Faith*.

Venture Fourth Jazz Evening

Everyone in their mid-30s and 40s is invited to the Venture Fourth fall gathering on September 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Manse. Live jazz will accompany the conversation and hors d'oeuvres. Come see old friends, meet some new ones, and have a great time after work. Call ext. 259 by September 6 to make reservations.

The Cherub, Children's, and Youth Choirs will hold a sign-up and informational gathering on September 10 at 9:30 a.m. in the Choir Room. All children and youth are invited to sign up. Call ext. 399 for information.

Orientation for new tutors

in the Tutoring Program will be held on September 12 and September 14 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Tutors are needed to work one night a week from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings beginning in October. For more information, call Stacy Jackson at ext. 238.

French cuisine and music

will be part of a benefit concert on September 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Manse and Anderson Hall. Proceeds from the evening will go toward the Morning Choir's June 2001 concert tour of France. Reservations must be made by September 8. Reservation forms are available in the literature racks. For more information, call Carroll Cole at ext. 252.

New school supplies for children in grades K–12 are being collected by Presbyterian Women in Fourth Church. School supplies will be distributed to children at the Center for Whole Life, Ariel Community Academy, and children participating in the Tutoring Program at Fourth Church. Please label donations "School Supplies" and drop them off at the church reception desk during August and September. For more information, contact Lisa Cochrane at ext. 271.

Contemplative prayer

growth will be the topic of a ten-week seminar sponsored by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. Beginning September 18 at 6:00 p.m., this seminar will offer participants opportunity to learn to use centering prayer as a means of selfunderstanding. For more information and to register by the September 11 registration date, contact Laura Sherman at ext. 335.

Presbyterian Women in Fourth Church Circle Nine

will begin the nine-part *Horizons* Bible study "Women and the Word: Studies in the Gospel of John," by Frances Taylor Gench, on September 20 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. All are invited to join in this study. Copies of *Horizons* are available at the church reception desk. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at ext. 271.

The Center for Whole Life open house will be held on Sunday, September 24. Van transportation will be provided from the Fourth Church parking lot beginning at 10:15 a.m., with roundtrips scheduled until 1:30 p.m. Those who plan to attend should call Tereatha Akbar at ext. 221.

Tickets for the Dave Brubeck and the Dave Brubeck Quartet concer t

are available at the church reception desk. The concert, in which the Morning Choir will participate, will be held in the Sanctuary on September 24 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call the Music Infoline at ext. 600.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee are available in the pew racks and literature racks. On the nominating form, please list the names of any Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and a commitment to the life and ministry of this congregation. Please place completed forms in the offering plate, take them to the reception desk, or mail them to the church office during August or September.

Envelopes in the pew racks may be used to make a gift to the PIE Scholarship Program. This program supports Tutoring Program students in their quest to enhance and expand their education through such opportunities as private and boarding schools as well as college and trade schools. For more information about the Scholarship Program, contact Sarah Jo Sarchet at ext. 270.

Christmas in September

Help create some of the artwork to be displayed this Christmas as part of the Chicago Presbytery's Year of the Child Festival. On September 10, an art workshop for children ages 4 to 104 will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. Complete a registration form, available in Westminster House, by September 3. For more information, call Jill Stephens at ext. 282.

AIDS Walk Chicago will take place on September 24. To join Fourth Church's walking team, led by Fourth Forum, or to sponsor a walker, contact Carol Allerton at ext. 265.

"Caring for the Soul," a mini-retreat for women, will be held on September 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall. Registration forms are available in the literature racks. For more information, con-tact Lisa Cochrane at ext. 271.

Two teachers and a

physician are urgently needed for positions in Tirana, Albania, where mission specialists and Fourth Church members Dalia and Robert Baker work. The teaching positions are nine-month commitments and the physician position a six-month commitment. For more information, contact Vicki Reynolds at ext. 257.

Stephen Ministers are a compassionate presence and support for those who are dealing with a variety of life experiences. Call the Infoline at ext. 402 to leave a message requesting a referral.

Children in Worship

- > Child care for infants and toddlers is available in Room W14.
- > Feel free to keep your infant or small child with you in worship.
- > If your infant or small child becomes uncomfortable and needs care during the worship service, you may leave the Sanctuary and return as you wish. At the 11:00 service, the worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome.



Build some continuing education into your fall schedule. Register today for fall Academy for Faith and Life courses.

Choose from among fifteen adult education courses exploring various topics-

Bible, contemporary discipleship, spiritual life, and theology-

and meeting at various times-

Sunday mornings or weekday evenings.

Here's what past Academy participants have said:

What a good way to get back into the Bible!

I learned a lot about how to approach the job of letting God approach me.

I wish the class could continue indefinitely!

Great topic; great materials; great discussion!

Join them and others for more exciting learning opportunities, which begin on September 10. Look for the registration table at Coffee Hour, and register early before classes fill up!

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 27		
7:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Dr. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuar y
8:15 a.m.	Junior and Senior High Youth Groups	Crow's Nest
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
9:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Registration	Anderson Hall
9:15 a.m.	Fourthlights	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Children's Summer Church School, age 2 through gr	ade 7 Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Dr. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuar y
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
10:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Registration	Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Venture Fourth	Randolph Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Dr. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuar y
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour begins	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts	Choir Room
5:00 p.m.	Concert: Jerry Johnson Trio	Garth
5:30 p.m.	Sunday Night Community Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Communion Service Ms. Allen preaching	g Sanctuar y
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Loggia
Monday, August 28		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers, Monday through Friday	Blair Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Center for Older Adults, Monday through Friday	
Tuesday, August 29		-
6:15 p.m.	Jail Tutoring (P.A.C.E.) volunteers convene	Chestnut Street Lobby
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
7.00 p.m.	Chancer Choir	Saliciualy
Wednesday, August 30		
1:00 p.m.	Prayer meeting	Center for Whole Life
Sunday, September 3		
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6:30 p.m.	Vespers Communion Service Mr. Cairns pr eachin	5
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Parking is available Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$4.75 until 2:00 p.m. and \$5.75 after 5:00 p.m.; at 111 East Chestnut Street at the rate of \$4.00 until 2:00 p.m.; and at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$5.00 until 2:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan and the John Hancock Center at the rate of \$5.75. Tickets must be validated in the coffee hour or at the Chestnut Street reception desk.

For child care arrangements (other than during Sunday morning worship services), call (312) 787-2729, ext. 282 at least three working days in advance.