

August 3, 2003

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. . . . Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may come to the Table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Christ Jesus.

The Book of Order

The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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.

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 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$5.50 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.25 after 5:00 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.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs.

This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, August 4, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, August 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; and Sunday, August 24, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor for New Members, at 981.4025 (cmacleod@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Cares

For pastoral care; to notify the church of illnesses, death, hospitalizations; to pass along a prayer request to be remembered in Morning Prayer; or to arrange homebound Communion, contact Carol Allen, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 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 in the Children and Family Ministry office at 640.2578 (jstephens@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)

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

J. S. Bach

(9:30 and 11:00)

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Johannes Brahms

Adagio from Symphonie III

Louis Vierne

INTROIT

“Lift Thine Eyes”

Felix Mendelssohn

Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains
whence cometh help. Thy help cometh from the Lord, the Maker
of heaven and earth. He hath said thy foot shall not be moved.
Thy Keeper will never slumber.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 303

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our
being, your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we
forget your mercy, in the blindness of our hearts. In a
spirit of unforgiveness, we hold on to old wrongs, nurse
resentments, and thereby miss the blessing of your
pardon. Forgive us our debts to you, so great when
compared with the trivial debts owed to us by others.
Cleanse the depths of our heart, turn us to trust in you,
and restore us to fellowship with one another, 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

PSALTER

Psalm 63:1–8 (*responsively*)

(page 527, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

(9:30) Children are dismissed to Sunday School classes.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 14:1, 15-23 (page 77, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON by Thomas C. Rook
HOW BIG IS THIS TABLE?
“Then the master said to the slave, ‘Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled.’” Luke 14:23 (NRSV)

*HYMN 370 “Just as I Am, Without One Plea” Tune: WOODWORTH

*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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness *Johannes Brahms*
(8:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Tantum Ergo” *Gabriel Fauré*
(9:30 and 11:00)
Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here;
sacrament revere faith, our outward sense befriending makes the
inward vision clear. Glory let us give, and blessing to the Father
and the Son; honor, might, and praise addressing, while eternal
ages run; while eternal ages run, ever to his love confessing, who,
from both, with both is one. Amen.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

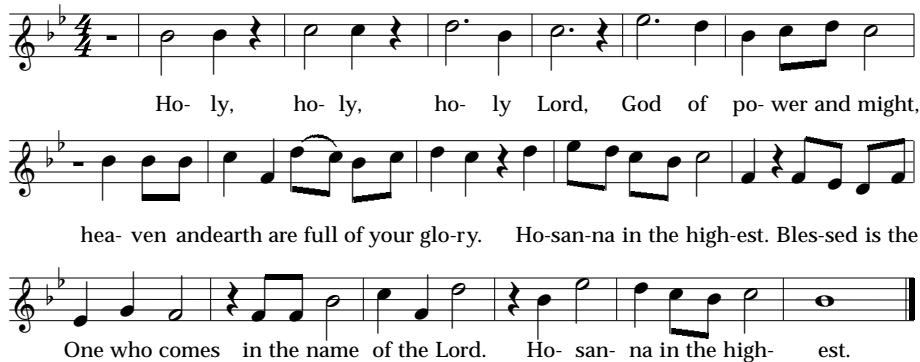
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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Minister: You are holy, O God of majesty . . .
. . . dedicated to your service.

Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

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.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Eucharistica"

Pablo Casals

PSALM 23

(recited in unison after all have received the cup)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(unison)

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 508

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Tune: KINGDOM

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

(8:00)

Trumpet Tune

Henry Purcell

(9:30 and 11:00)

Final from Symphonie III

L. Vierne

THE LORD'S SUPPER AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 14:19 (NRSV)

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the

worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

At our morning communion services, the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers first take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at evening worship and at morning worship on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

*"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35 (NRSV)*

Portions of the text adapted from
The Book of Order

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Victoria Decker Millar, Pastoral Resident
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
- 9:30 a.m. Victoria Decker Millar, Pastoral Resident
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
- 11:00 a.m. Victoria Decker Millar, Pastoral Resident
Donna Gray, Interim Associate Pastor for Children and Family
Ministry
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir
9:30 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir
11:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

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

Worship Notes

The women of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship for the month of August.

The offertory anthem, "Tantum Ergo," was part of the Latin *Pange Lingua* hymn written by St. Thomas Aquinas in 1264.

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.

Fourth Church is receiving an offering throughout the summer to support the programs of Partners in Education. Gifts to this special offering can be made using the envelopes in the pew racks or by writing, on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, the name of the PIE program you wish to support (see envelope for list of programs).

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.

Copies of the Vespers bulletin and daily devotions written by Fourth Church staff are available in the literature racks at the back of the sanctuary.

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

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, August 22.

Today's sermon will be available online at www.fourthchurch.org by this Friday.

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.