
August 17, 2003

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Humility is the ability to know ourselves as God knows us and to know that it is the little we are that is precisely our claim on God. Humility is, then, the foundation for our relationship with God, our connectedness to others, our acceptance of ourselves, our way of using the goods of the earth and even our way of walking through the world, without arrogance, without domination, without scorn, without put-downs, without disdain, without self-centeredness. The more we know ourselves, the gentler we will be with others.

Joan Chittister

The Rule of Benedict: Insights for the Ages

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 Sunday, August 24, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Monday, September 8, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., or Saturday, September 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor for Young Adults and New Members, at 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 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) Adagio in G Minor *Tommaso Albinoni*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) Voluntary in D Minor *John Stanley*
Allegro–Adagio–Allegro–Adagio in G Minor *T. Albinoni*

INTROIT “The Lord Is in His Holy Temple” *Eric DeLamarter*
The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence
before him. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 142 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” *Tune: CORONATION*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all who call upon you. Hear us as we humbly confess our sins and transgressions and implore your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward one another. Have mercy upon us, most merciful God, and in your great goodness, grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life through the merit and meditation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*Stand as you are able.

PSALTER

Psalm 111:1–4, 9–10

Hal Hopson

(A soloist sings the verses; the congregation sings the refrain.)

I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart;
I will give thanks in the great congregation of the people.
Great are the deeds of the Lord;
God's deeds are a delight to all who know them.

Refrain: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

God's works are full of might and splendor;
God's goodness endures forevermore.
The works of God will be remembered.
The Lord is gracious and full of tender love.

Refrain

God ordained the covenant and sent redemption
to the people;
Holy and blessed is God's name.
Wisdom and understanding begin with a reverence
for God.
May the praise of God last forevermore.

Refrain

ANTHEM

"Beatus Vir"

Orlando di Lasso

Blest is the man who in wisdom continues through all his days,
and who in his righteousness loves to meditate and forgets not to
consider how in mercy watchful God is.

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 2:10–12; 3:3–10

(page 304, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

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

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:3–11

(page 197, N.T.)

SERMON

by Joanna M. Adams

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO HUMILITY?

“Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 2:3–5a (NRSV)

*HYMN 151

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Tune: DIADEMATA

*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.

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.

RESPONSE

“Amen”

Anonymous

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

“O Lord, Whose Mercies Numberless”

George Frideric Handel

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

“King of Glory, King of Peace”

William Harris

King of glory, king of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease; I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing thee, and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee. Though my sins against thee cried, thou didst clear me; and alone when they replied, thou didst hear me. Seven whole days, not one in seven I will praise thee. In my heart though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Thou grew'st soft and moist with tears, and when justice call'd for fears, thou dissentedst. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee, even eternity; eternity's too short to extol thee.

*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: O God, you are infinite and unchangeable, full of compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you. Your self-giving love for us is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. All glory to you, O God, whose Spirit is the source of all wisdom and whose faithfulness endures from age to age. Help us to love you and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ. Send us forth in the power of your Spirit to love and serve you with joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 371

“Lift High the Cross”

Tune: CRUCIFER

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00 a.m.)

Fugue on the Chromhorne

François Couperin

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00 a.m.)

Trumpet Voluntary

J. Stanley

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Tamara Leonard, Pastoral Resident
Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Joanna M. Adams, Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. John H. Boyle, Parish Associate
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Youth and Campus Ministry
Joanna M. Adams, Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Youth and Campus Ministry
Joanna M. Adams, Pastor

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir; Lauren Kubelka, soloist
- 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
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

The composer of this morning's prelude and postlude, John Stanley (1713–1786), born in London, was blinded in infancy by an accident. He became a church organist at the age of eleven and spent his entire career in London held in great esteem as a performer, well known for his outstanding musical memory.

This morning's Psalter text is a paraphrase written by Hal Hopson, who also wrote its musical arrangement.

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.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Blair 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 this Friday, August 22.

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

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 e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.