

September 7, 2003

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

There is in the Christian churches, and in the United States as a whole, a profound spiritual hunger for something. . . . People are beginning to ask questions about God again, and they yearn for coherent, thoughtful guidance. . . . As the church lives true to its own practices—of prayer and studying the scripture, of worship and showing hospitality to the stranger, of feeding the hungry and feeding each other—it participates in the work of a God who, ultimately, is the source for satisfying all hungers. The church becomes a taste of the bread of God that gives life, a pathway where the hunger deep in all of our souls is fed by the love of the living Christ.

Craig Dykstra
Growing in the Life 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.

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshippers 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, September 8, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, September 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, October 5, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. 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) Duo and Récits from *Suite on the First Tone*
Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) *Suite on the First Tone* *Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*

INTROIT "The Preces" *Richard Ayleward*
O Lord, open thou our lips and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise. O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us. 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. Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 253 "I'll Praise My Maker" *Tune: OLD 113TH*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 25:1–10 (*responsively*) (page 502, O.T.)

*Stand as you are able.

ANTHEM "Rejoice in the Lord Alway" *Anonymous*
Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice in the Lord
alway. Let your softness be known unto all men; the Lord is e'en
at hand. Be careful for nothing, but in all prayer and supplication,
let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks.
And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep
your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Mark 7:24–37 (page 42, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON James 2:1–7, 14–17 (page 229, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan
FAITH IS SOMETHING YOU DO
"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you
have faith but do not have works?" James 2:14 (NRSV)

*HYMN 357 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" *Tune: MARYTON*

*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.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen"

John Stainer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO Brother James's Air
(8:00)

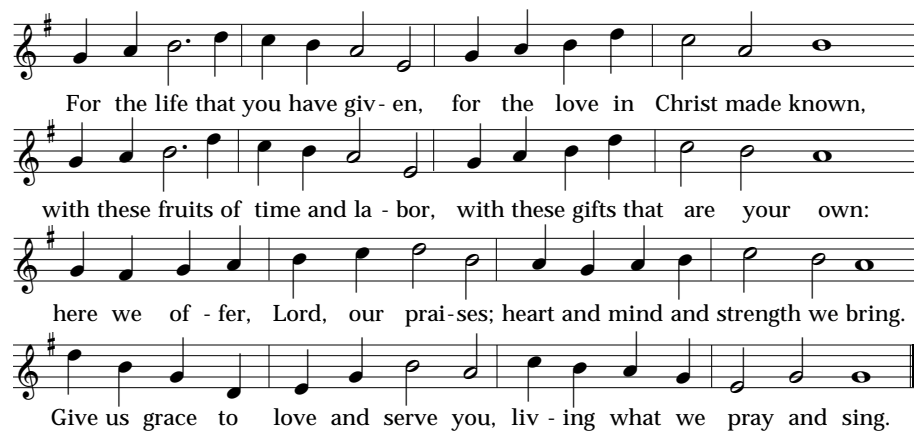
Searle Wright

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Sicut Cervus Desiderat"
(9:30 and 11:00)

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, like the hart that
desireth the fountains of waters, even so longeth my soul, so
longeth after thee, O God.

*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: Eternal God, creator of the world and giver of all good,
we thank you for the earth, our home,
and for the gift of life.

We praise you for your love in Jesus Christ,
who came to heal this broken world,
who died rejected on the cross
and rose triumphant from the dead.

Because he lives, we live to praise you, our God forever .
Gracious God, who called us from death to life,
we give ourselves to you;
and with the church through all ages
we thank you for your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 371

“Lift High the Cross”

Tune: CRUCIFER

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Sonata on the First Tone

José Lidon

SANCTUARY BANNERS FOR ORDINARY TIME

The banners and pulpit parament that hang in the sanctuary throughout the liturgical season of Ordinary Time were designed and created for Fourth Church by fiber artist Laurie Wohl. In word and image, they celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in “ordinary,” as we make our faith journey day to day throughout this longest season of the church (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent).

In keeping with the contrast between Ordinary Time and the various holy days that punctuate the church’s liturgical calendar, the colors of these hangings emphasize the green, the color assigned to Ordinary Time. Since the major portion of Ordinary Time occurs during the summer and fall seasons, tones appropriate to the verdancy of summer and the richness and mellowness of fall are also incorporated.

The pieces resonate Fourth Church’s strong commitment to multicultural and interdenominational dialogue. Both Hebrew and English calligraphy are used in the hangings to augment the formal and pictographic narratives. The ancient biblical text and Hebrew language together convey a quality of timelessness and a continuity of story. Meditative text fragments from the Psalms are used, focusing on those texts most often read or sung during Ordinary Time. These texts, as well as messianic text fragments from Isaiah and texts from Genesis, Amos, and the Song of Songs, emphasize Christianity’s rekindled interest in, and connection to, its Old Testament roots.

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Youth and Campus Ministry
John M. Buchanan, Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. Victoria Decker Millar, Pastoral Resident
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
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The Music Today

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

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

Worship Notes

Fourth Church is receiving an offering throughout September 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).

Joanna Adams is at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, this morning helping the congregation celebrate the dedication of its Generation to Generation building project.

The Chancel Choir, which sings during 8:00 morning worship during the school year, will start its new season with rehearsal on Thursday, September 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For more information about singing, contact John Sherer, Director of Music, at 981.3592.

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.

A Jazz Vespers service, featuring musical leadership by the Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble, will be held Sunday, September 21 at 6:30 p.m. in 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, September 26.

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