

January 25, 2004

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatry in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

A Brief Statement of Faith, 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. 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 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 today from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, February 2 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, February 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, 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, 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) Benedictus *Max Reger*
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God *Dieterich Buxtehude*
Holy Spirit, Truth Divine *Eric Thiman*
Benedictus *Max Reger*
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

INTROIT (8:00) “Truly, Yahweh Is in This Place” *Morgan Simmons*
Truly, Yahweh is in this place. How awe inspiring this place is.
This is nothing less than a house of God; this is the gate of heaven!

INTROIT (9:30 and 11:00) “How Can I Keep from Singing?” *Quaker song*
arr. Ginger Littleton
My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation. I hear the real, though far-off song that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging; it sounds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing? What though the tempest round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth. What though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging; since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 461 “God Is Here!” *Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy Lord, you have loved us unconditionally and have commanded us to love one another just as you love us. But we confess that our love for one another has faltered, and often it has failed all together. We turn away from sisters and brothers who think, speak, and act in ways that are different from our own. We recoil from those who have offended us, rather than seek reconciliation. Forgive our smallness of heart that causes us to love only when it serves our own interest; pour your Spirit of love into our lives and wills, that we may indeed love one another as freely as you have loved us. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 19 (*responsively*) (page 498, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Eternal Light” *Leo Sowerby*
Eternal Light, shine into our hearts. Eternal Goodness, deliver us
from evil. Eternal Power, be our support. Eternal Wisdom, scatter
the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12–18, 26–27 (page 174, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)
(9:30 and 11:00) Children are dismissed to Sunday School classes.

SECOND LESSON Luke 4:14–21 (page 61, N.T.)

SERMON by John A. Cairns
A READING ON PURPOSE

*HYMN 332 “Live Into Hope” *Tune: TRURO*

*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 "Alleluia, Amen"

Morgan Simmons

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

"Litany to the Holy Spirit"

Peter Hurford

In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress, and
when I my sins confess, sweet Spirit, comfort me! When I lie
within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head, and with doubts
discomfited, sweet Spirit, comfort me! When the house doth sigh
and weep and the world is drowned with sleep, yet mine eyes
the watch do keep, sweet Spirit, comfort me!

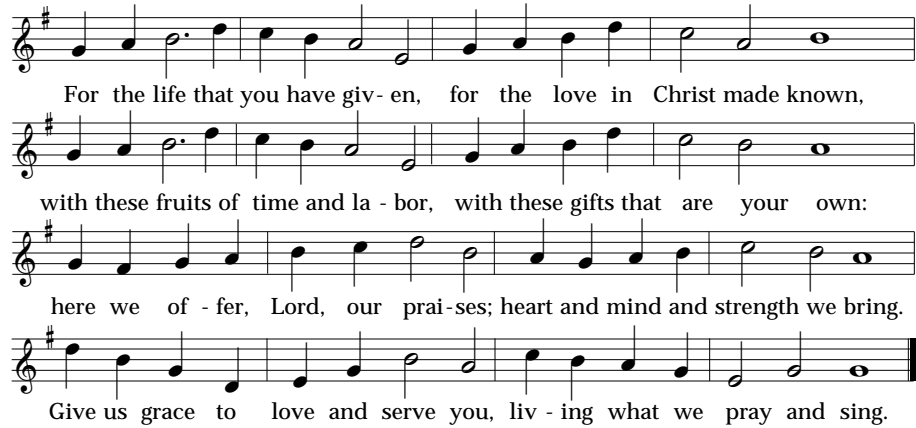
OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

"The Spirit of the Lord Is upon Me"

Edward Elgar

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to
preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the
brokenhearted; to preach deliv'rance to the captives and
recov'ring of sight to the blind; to preach the acceptable year of
the Lord; to give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes, the oil
of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of
heaviness that they might be called trees of righteousness, the
planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. For as the earth
bringeth forth her bud and as the garden causeth the things that
are sown in it to spring forth, so the Lord God will cause
righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

*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: God of all mercies, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN 413

“All Who Love and Serve Your City” *Tune: CHARLESTOWN*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
 (8:00)

Postlude

William Mathias

POSTLUDE
 (9:30 and 11:00)

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

*African American spiritual
 arr. Robin Dinda*

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. Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor
Tamara Leonard Lara, Pastoral Resident
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
- 9:30 a.m. David Aja-Sigmon, Pastoral Resident
Donna Gray, Minister for Children and Families
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
- 11:00 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Elizabeth Hedgcock, soprano soloist
- 9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir
- 11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist
Mary Theresa Reed, Director of Children's Music

Worship Notes

The texts of today's hymns were written for very specific occasions in the twentieth century. "God Is Here!" was written by Fred Pratt Green in 1979 for a festival of worship, music, and the arts in Austin, Texas. "Live Into Hope" was written in 1976 by Jane Parker Huber for United Presbyterian Women's national meeting at Purdue University. Erik Routley wrote "All Who Love and Serve Your City" in 1966 in response to riots in Oakland, California.

The seven-foot hand-carved angels shown on the bulletin cover grace the tops of the piers in the nave. During the 1990s sanctuary renovation, Sunday School children adopted the angel playing the panpipe and raised money for its restoration.

The art installation of stars and doves reflects the Stewardship and Capital Campaign theme, "A Light in the City: Sharing God's Grace." The hundreds of different stars represent the individuality and diversity in our faith community. Together with the doves, symbols of God's presence and grace, they mirror light, reminding us of the abundance of God's grace to us and our gifts to others.

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 Friday, February 27.

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.

Recent sermons are also available in the literature racks.

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