

Many will object that it is morbid to focus on someone's sufferings. . . . Yet the death of Jesus still draws children, women, and men to the love of God and, holding them in that love, sustains them not only in their personal living but also in their personal wrestling with the powers of evil, giving them courage. . . . The cross is the Christian symbol par excellence, forming the focal point of Christian spirituality, Christian praying, Christian believing, Christian action. And the manifold ways in which it is and does all this can trace their roots legitimately to the mind and intention, to the actions and passion, of Jesus himself.

N. T. Wright
The Meaning of Jesus

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 \$6.00 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, March 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, March 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. 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) O Lamb of God *Johann Sebastian Bach*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) O Lamb of God *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Adagio in G Minor *Tommaso Albinoni*

INTROIT "God So Loved the World" *John Goss*
God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have
everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to
condemn the world; but that the world through him might be
saved. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 308 "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem" *Tune: KINGSFOLD*

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: O Christ, out of your fullness we have all received grace
upon grace. You are our eternal hope; you are patient and
full of mercy; you are generous to all who call upon you.

People: Save us, Lord.

Minister: O Christ, fountain of life and holiness, you have taken
away our sins. On the cross you were wounded for our
transgressions and were bruised for our iniquities.

People: Save us, Lord.

Minister: O Christ, obedient unto death, source of all comfort,
our life and our resurrection, our peace and reconciliation:

People: save us, Lord.

Minister: O Christ, Savior of all who trust you, hope of all who die
for you, and joy of all the saints:

People: save us, Lord.

Minister: Jesus, Lamb of God,

People: have mercy on us.

Minister: Jesus, bearer of our sins,

People: have mercy on us.

Minister: Jesus, redeemer of the world,

People: grant us peace.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 91:1–16 (*responsively*) (page 548, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Wondrous Love” *Southern folk hymn*
arr. Paul Christiansen

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, that caused the Lord of
life to bear the heavy cross. What wondrous love is this, O my
soul, that Christ should lay aside his crown for my soul!

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55:10–13 (page 686, O.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 4:1–13 (page 61, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT JESUS

1. HIS DEATH

“When they came to the place that is called The Skull,
they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his
right and one on his left.” Luke 23:33 (NRSV)

*HYMN 101 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” *Tune: HAMBURG*

*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"

Dresden

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO "Witness"
(8:00)

*African American spiritual
arr. Hall Johnson*

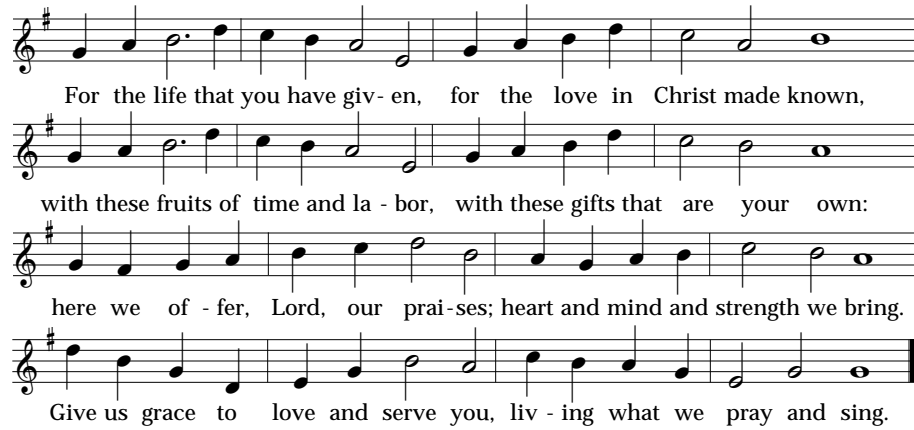
OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Forty Days"
(9:30 and 11:00)

Dave Brubeck

from *The Light in the Wilderness*

Forty days alone in the desert, days and nights of constant prayer
in the desert. Seeking in the wailing wind an answer to despair,
forty days of questioning, why was he there in the desert, in the
lonely desert? Forty days of fasting and prayer in the desert,
searching for his destined role in the desert, thirsting after
righteousness and nourishing his soul, seeking inward miracles to
reach his goal in the desert, in the lonely desert. After forty days
in the desert, he and God became as One; Jesus found within
himself the Father's will is done. He must prove to doubting man
he is the Son in the desert, in the lonely desert.

*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 compassion, we praise you that you look upon our frail lives with love and understanding, and that you desire for us all new life in Jesus Christ. We are overwhelmed by your love, which goes to the cross for us, endures the grave, and leads us to new life. By your Spirit, strengthen our souls to be brave and bold in Christ's service. Take our offerings, and use them and us for your purposes, in the name of Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 371

"Lift High the Cross"

Tune: CRUCIFER

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Allegro Maestoso
from *Vingt-quatre Pièces*

André Fleury

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Toccata in D Minor

Max Reger

IN THE DETAILS



All Creatures Great and Small

In between every pair of ovals in the *grisaille* stained glass windows (on the north and south walls of the sanctuary) there are small diamonds with various Christian symbols; pictured here are those featuring animals. (The boars' heads and dogs in the upper right two diamonds above were family crests of the church's architects; both diamonds are above the "Ministers' Plaque" in the north aisle.)

One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Julie Kim, Pastoral Resident
John H. Boyle, Parish Associate
John M. Buchanan, Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor
John M. Buchanan, Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
John H. Boyle, Parish Associate
John M. Buchanan, Pastor

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Jerry Johnson, bass soloist;
Daniel Henry, pianist
- 9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir
- 11:00 a.m. The Morning 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 One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, received by Fourth Church throughout Lent, supports Fourth Church's Partners in Education Scholarship Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. For more than fifty years, Christians throughout the nation have given gifts to a One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, responding to Christ's love for all people by joyfully sharing that love with people in need. To make a gift to this offering, use one of the envelopes in the pew racks or write "One Great Hour" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The Latin cross on the bulletin cover is carved in the center of the minister's chair in the upper chancel and is now accentuated by the needlepoint cross created and installed by Morgan Simmons for Easter 2003. This carved cross is one of the many integrated into the architecture of Fourth Church. It is toward the cross of Christ that the season of Lent points us.

Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

A midweek Lenten service is held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Daily prayer is held each weekday morning at 11:45 a.m. in the sanctuary.

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, March 26.

Lenten 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.

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.