August 8, 2004

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

An old rabbi once asked his students how one could recognize the time when night ends and day begins. "Is it when, from a great distance, you can tell a dog from a sheep?" one student asked. "No," said the rabbi. "Is it when, from a great distance, you can tell a date palm from a fig tree?" another student asked. "No," said the rabbi. "When is it?" the students asked. "It is when you look into the face of any human creature and see your brother or your sister there. Until then, night is still with us."

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 the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.50 to 4:00 p.m. (validation is for three hours or less) and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m.
- Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Saturday, August 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, August 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, September 13 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at 312.981.4025 (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 312.640.5398 (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 Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578 (jschiltz@fourthchurch.org).

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)	Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God	Dieterich Buxtehude
PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00)	Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Jesu, Joy of All Desiring Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God	Johann Gottfried Walther Johann Sebastian Bach Dieterich Buxtehude
Introit	"Call to Remembrance, O Lord" Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy ten loving-kindness which have been eve	
*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION		(The Hymnal, 592)
*Hymn 255	"Now Praise the Lord"	<i>Tune:</i> St. Anne
PRAYER OF CONFESS	ION <i>(unison)</i> Merciful God, you made us in your own image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day we fail to grow into your likeness; yet you are slow to be angry with your children. For the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, do not hold our sins against us, but in your tender love, forgive. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.	
DECLARATION OF PARDON Minister: Friends, believe the good news. People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.		
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:30 and 11:00)		
UNISON PRAYER (9:30 and 11:00)	Holy God, remind us of the prom own baptism and renew our trust strong to obey your will and to se for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lo	in you. Make us erve you with joy;

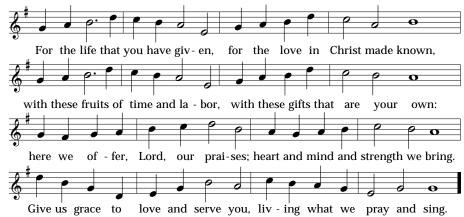
CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER	Psalm 33 (responsively)	(page 507, O.T.)	
ANTHEM	"My Lord, What a Morning"	African American spiritual arr. R. Lee Gilliam	
	My Lord, what a morning when the stars begin to fall. You'll hear the trumpet sound to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. You'll hear the sinners mourn to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.		
OLD TESTAMENT READING			
	Isaiah 1:1, 10–20 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	(page 630, O.T.)	
*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579) (9:30) Children are dismissed to Sunday School classes.			
GOSPEL READING	Luke 12:32–48	(page 75, N.T.)	
SERMON	by J. Frederick Holper GOD'S GOOD PLEASURE "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Luke 12:32 (NRSV)		
*Hymn 407	"When a Poor One"	<i>Tune:</i> El Camino	
*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 Mar y, 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 resur rection 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"	Anonymous
OFFERING		
OFFERTORY SOLO (8:00)	"Simple Song" from Mass	Leonard Bernstein
OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:30 and 11:00)	"Come Sing to Me of Heaven" Come sing to me of heaven when I am call songs of holy ecstasy to waft my soul on hi moment comes, let one sweet song begin. I last on earth, to greet me first in heaven.	igh. When the last

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE



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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 ar e 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 450	"O Day of Peace"	<i>Tune:</i> Jerusalem
BENEDICTION AN	ID RESPONSE	
Postlude	Rondeau	Jean-Joseph Mouret

BAPTISM AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Let the little children come to me . . . for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." Matthew 19:14 (NRSV)

On the second Sunday of each month, Fourth Church includes the Sacrament of Baptism in morning worship. Baptism is the sign and seal of God's grace and covenant in Christ. As *The Book of Order* of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) explains, baptism signifies the faithfulness of God, the washing away of sin, rebirth, putting on the fresh garment of Christ, and adoption into the covenant family of the church.

The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith. The congregation, on behalf of the whole church, assumes responsibility for nurturing the baptized children in the Christian life, and it is for this reason that the congregation makes such a promise during the service.

In the unison prayer we also remember that we too were baptized and as children of God are part of the worldwide family of faith.

Children being baptized at the 9:30 worship service ar e Lily Frances Bechina, daughter of Max and Michelle Bechina Alexa Naya Dana, daughter of Robert and Kathy Dana Evan James Dominguez, son of Gil Dominguez and Ann Mastic Ashley Brooke Rohm, daughter of Bob and Pam Rohm Cara Suzanne Salvi, daughter of Emilio and Julie Salvi Nora Lynne Sprandel, daughter of Scott and Susan Sprandel

Children being baptized at the 11:00 worship service ar e Cole Arnold Townsend Elsbree, son of Daniel and Katharine Elsbree Caroline Berit Gauri, daughter of Andre and Kristen Gauri Katherine Jean Hupe, daughter of Jeffrey Hupe and Heidi Anderson Hupe Colin Bryan Luppes, son of Jamie and Nancy Luppes Grace Rebecca Owen, daughter of Chad and Tiffany Owen Benjamin Allen Ruzicka, son of Phil and Kirsten Ruzicka

Worship Leaders	
•	Donna Gray, Minister for Children and Families
	David Aja-Sigmon, Pastoral Resident
	J. Frederick Holper, Professor, McCormick Seminary
9:30 a.m.	Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
	John A. Carns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
	J. Frederick Holper, Professor, McCormick Seminary
11:00 a.m.	Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
	John A. Carns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
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The Music Today	
8:00 a.m.	Men of the Morning Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist
	Men of the Morning Choir; Thomas Ballentine, tenor soloist
11:00 a.m.	Men of the Morning Choir; Thomas Ballentine, tenor soloist

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

Worship Notes

Fourth Church welcomes Fred Holper to the pulpit this morning. A longtime friend of Fourth Church, Dr. Holper is Professor of Preaching and Worship at McCormick Theological Seminary.

- Today is the last Sunday the "Summer with PIE" offering will be received. Gifts to this offering support Partners in Education, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church. Gifts to this offering can be made using the envelopes in the pew racks or by writing "Summer with PIE" on the memo line of a check made payable to Chicago Lights.
- The men of the Morning Choir will be assisting in morning worship services during the month of August.
- The carving shown on the bulletin cover can be seen atop of the Children's Fountain. Located in the Garth, the fountain was the gift of Howard Van Doren Shaw, the Chicago-based architect who designed the Parish House, Manse, and Cloisters. Included in the carving is the verse "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" (Isaiah 11:9).

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 Stone 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, August 27.

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

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.