

January 2, 2005

*Second Sunday after Christmas*

**E**verlasting God,  
the radiance of faithful souls,  
who brought the nations to your light  
and kings to the brightness of your rising:  
Fill the world with your glory,  
and show yourself to all the nations;  
through him who is the true light  
and the bright morning star,  
Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Book of Common Worship*

## 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. and \$6.00 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, January 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, January 23 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, February 7 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 Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578 (jschiltz@fourthchurch.org).

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

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PSALTER	Psalm 72:1–7 ( <i>responsively</i> )	(page 533, O.T.)
ANTHEM	“Epiphany Alleluias” Alleluia. We have seen his star in the East and are come to worship him. Alleluia. Arise, shine. For thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. Alleluia.	<i>John Weaver</i>
FIRST LESSON	Isaiah 60:1–6 Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.	(page 690, O.T.)
*GLORIA PATRI		(The Hymnal, 579)
SECOND LESSON	Matthew 2:1–12	(page 2, N.T.)
SERMON	by Dana Ferguson HOME BY ANOTHER WAY	
*HYMN 63	“As with Gladness Men of Old”	<i>Tune: DIX</i>
*APOSTLES’ CREED	<i>(unison)</i> 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen"

*Camille Saint-Saëns*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" *Niels W. Gade*  
(8:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "There Shall a Star from Jacob Come Forth"  
(9:30 and 11:00) *Felix Mendelssohn*

There shall a star from Jacob come forth, and a scepter  
from Israel rise up and dash in pieces princes and nations.  
How brightly beams the morning star! With sudden  
radiance from afar, with light and comfort glowing!  
Thy word, Jesus, inly feeds us, rightly leads us,  
life bestowing. Praise, Oh praise, such love overflowing!

\*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 majesty and light, you hold the whole world  
in your hand. We give you our great praise  
that in Jesus Christ all people may see your glory.  
We thank you for revealing Jesus to be your Son and  
for claiming our lives in baptism to be his glad disciples.  
By your Spirit, may peace descend upon us  
that we may follow with grateful hearts.  
Take us and all we have to be useful in your service,  
God of all nations, in the gracious name of Jesus Christ,  
your Son, by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
now and forever. Amen.

\*HYMN 66

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”

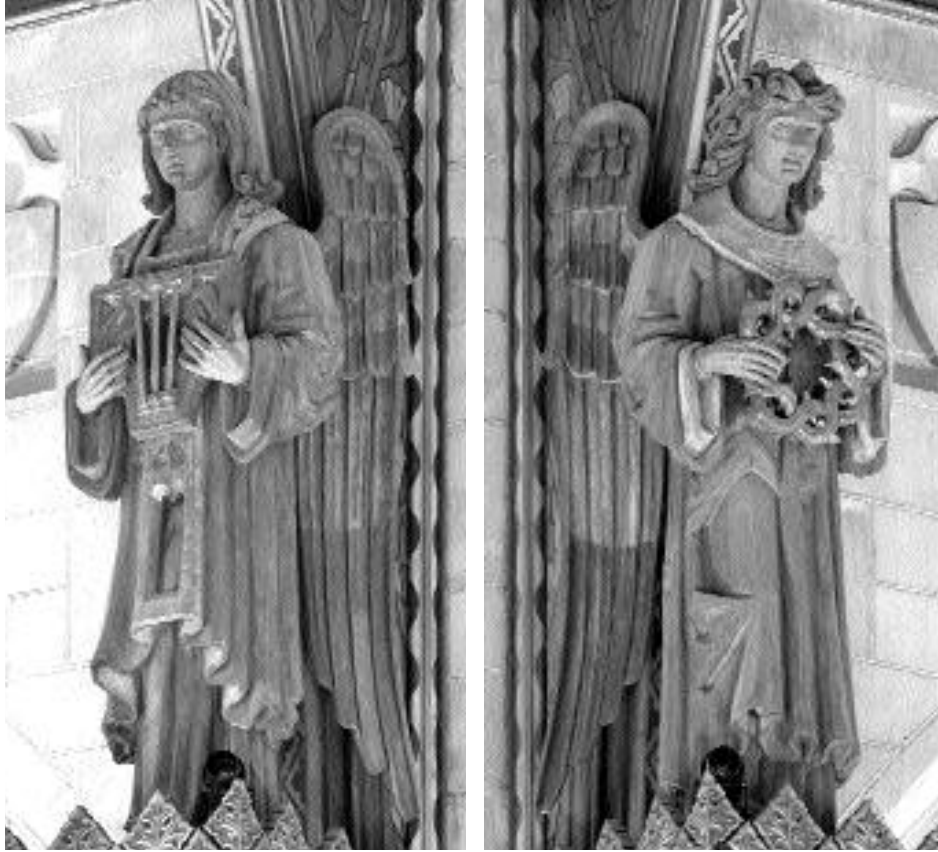
*Tune:* THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright *Dieterich Buxtehude*

## IN THE DETAILS



A close-up look at the seven-foot-tall carved wooden angels atop the aisle piers reveals their distinctive expressions, patterns, and instruments. Shown above are the pair of angels fourth from the chancel. The south angel (*left*) holds a lyre, while the north angel (*right*) holds a crown of thorns.

**One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church**

### Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. David Aja-Sigmon, Pastoral Resident  
John H. Boyle, Parish Associate  
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life  
Alice M. Trowbridge, Associate Pastor  
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life  
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### The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir  
9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir  
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

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

### Worship Notes

A special Disaster Relief Offering is being received today to help those in Southeast Asia and Africa who have been affected by the December 26 earthquake and tsunamis. Gifts to this offering will be distributed through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and will help provide food, shelter, and clean water to those in need. Disaster Relief Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks; gifts to this offering can also be made by writing "Disaster Assistance" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

The stained glass depiction of the birth of Christ, shown on the bulletin cover, can be seen in Blair Chapel. It is part of the memorial "children's windows" that were donated in the 1930s, when the former Blair Chapel space was used, as the current chapel is now, for weekly Sunday School worship services.

### 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, January 28.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Today's sermon will be available online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://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](mailto:News@FourthChurch) by sending e-mail addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto:news@fourthchurch.org).