

February 20, 2005

Second Sunday in Lent

As I have often said, the basic confusion in Christianity has been to make it a doctrine. With a doctrine one has to take care first of all to master it all. Just the opposite with the New Testament; it wants you simply to begin with some particular—but then to see that you do it.

Søren Kierkegaard

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 \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 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 Sunday, February 27 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, March 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, March 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. 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).

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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)

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

Johann Sebastian Bach

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Salvation Is Created

Paul Chesnokov

arr. Joseph Wood

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here
Rhosymedre

Johann Sebastian Bach

Ralph Vaughan Williams

arr. Greg Fudala

Prelude and Fugue in F-sharp Minor
Duo Seraphim

Dieterich Buxtehude

Jacob Handl

arr. Erich Peterson

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 474

“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”

Tune: PEUR NOBIS NASCITUR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether this day, gracious God,
that we might feel the warmth of your love,
cleansing, forgiving, and making us whole. For we are
imperfect doers of justice; we ration our acts of kindness;
we rarely know humility. Transform us by your love,
so that we would more fully live the life you call us into,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 121 (*responsively*) (page 571, O.T.)

ANTHEM “I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes” *Leo Sowerby*
I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh
my help; my help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and
earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth
thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither
slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper, thy shade upon thy
right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day nor the moon
by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil, he shall
preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and
thy coming in from this time forth, and even forever more. Amen.

FIRST LESSON John 3:1–17 (page 93, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Romans 4:1–5 (page 154, N.T.)

SERMON by Calum I. MacLeod
WINDED
“How can these things be?” John 3:9 (NRSV)

*HYMN 433 “There's a Spirit in the Air” *Tune: LAUDS*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*) *from* A Brief Statement of Faith, PC (USA)
We trust in God, the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and
neighbor, and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

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 idolatries in church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
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"

William Byrd

OFFERING

OFFERTORY DUET
(8:00)

"Venite, Venite"
O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make
a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Claudio Monteverdi

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30)

"The Lord Is My Light"
The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear?
Of whom shall I be afraid? For in times of trouble
you hide me in your dwelling; you shelter me,
and comfort me, and set me high on a rock. Hear,
O Lord, when I cry to you, give ear to me and answer.
O hide not your face from me; your face, O Lord, do I seek.

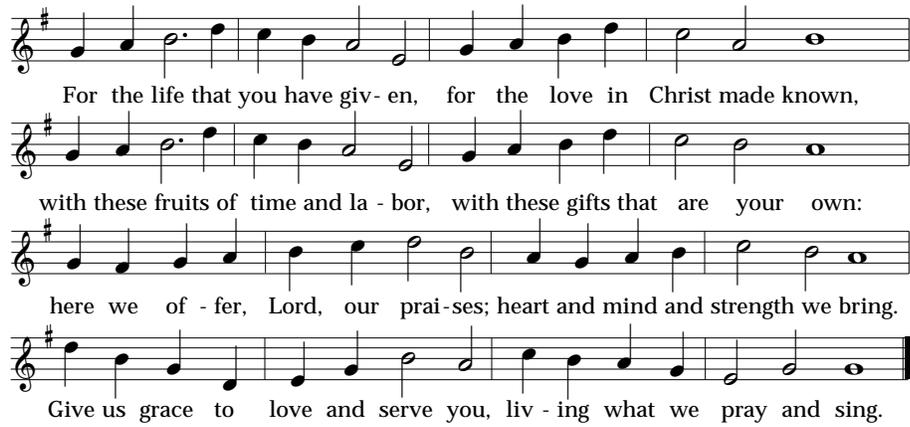
Michael Bedford

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(11:00)

"Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt"
God so loved the world that he gave his only
begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him
should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Heinrich Schütz

*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: We give you thanks, O God, for the wonder of
your works and the riches of your grace:
for the living Word, in Scripture and
in the risen presence of Jesus Christ, our Savior .
In our weakness and fear you have loved us and
wanted us, called us and sent us.
Thanks be to God for the gospel of grace.
And now we dedicate ourselves, our time,
talents, and money, to go forward in hope and
love to do your work in the world.
In the name of him who gave all for our sake. Amen.

*HYMN 339

“Be Thou My Vision”

Tune: SLANE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Rigaudon

André Campra

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Sonata pian' e forte

Giovanni Gabrieli



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 closest to the rear of the church. The south angel (*left*) holds a panpipe, while the north angel (*right*) holds a musical score.

One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Richard Williams, Pastoral Resident
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate
Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
Dana Ferguson, Associate Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist;
Ann Marie Boyle and Callie Thompson, soprano soloists
- 9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; The Children's Choir; Tower Brass;
Carol Carpenter, alto soloist
- 11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; Tower Brass; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Beverly Escuder, Children's Choirmaster
Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

Worship Notes

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received today and throughout Lent. For more than 50 years, Presbyterians have joined with Christians throughout the nation in supporting this offering, responding to Christ's love for all people by joyfully sharing that love with people in need. Gifts to this offering support the work of the Presbyterian Committee for the Self-Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program as well as the Fourth Church Partners in Education program. To make a "One Great Hour of Sharing" gift, use the envelopes in the pew racks or write "Lenten Offering" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Tower Brass, Fourth Church's brass octet, assists in worship leadership this morning. Tower Brass participates in 9:30 and 11:00 worship each third Sunday of the month from September through May.

Giovanni Gabrieli (1557-1612), the composer of today's 9:30 and 11:00 postlude, was organist at St. Mark's in Venice. He published two volumes of his sacred music, the *Sacrae Symphoniae*. Today's postlude is from the 1597 collection and demonstrates Gabrieli's dramatic use of dynamics, "pian e forte," or "soft and loud."

Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

A Vespers Communion service is held Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Midweek Lenten services are held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.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 this Friday, February 25.

Daily Lenten devotions, written by Fourth Church members and 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.