

April 10, 2005

Third Sunday of Easter

Understanding is the reward of faith. Therefore seek not to understand that you may believe, but believe that you may understand.

St. Augustine

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. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.
- Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to explore Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Saturday, April 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, April 24 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, May 2 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 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 (jstchiltz@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) Saraband for Easter *Herbert Howells*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) The Holy Christ Has Arisen *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Prelude and Fugue in D Major *J. S. Bach*
Saraband for Easter *Herbert Howells*

INTROIT "Alleluia. The Lord Is Risen Indeed" *George Thalben-Ball*
Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed.
O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 398 "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" *Tune: SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

O God, our God, we confess that we have not always
lived for you. You have invited us into new life,
yet we have closed our eyes and ears and hearts against
that invitation. You have shown us the way to love,
yet we have chosen too often the path of uncaring.
You have called us to the ministry of reconciliation,
yet we often find ourselves tempted to turn away
from others. You have challenged us to generosity,
but many times we would rather keep to ourselves.
Enter our lives, God, once again. Forgive us
and release us from the bonds of self-centeredness.
Create in us a renewed openness to your love,
that we may share your love with others.
In the name of the resurrected Christ we pray. 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 promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION (9:30 and 11:00)

ANTHEM (8:00) "Christ the Lord Is Risen Again" *Eric H. Thiman*
Christ the Lord is risen again; Christ hath broken every chain.
Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high, alleluia!
He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife,
is our paschal lamb today. We, too, sing for joy and say,
alleluia! He who bore our pain and loss comfortless upon
the cross lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and
hears our cry, alleluia! Hymns of praise then let us sing
unto Christ our heavenly King, who endured the cross
and grave, sinners to redeem and save, alleluia! Amen.

ANTHEM (9:30 and 11:00) "Ich Freue Mich Im Herrn" *Gottfried A. Homilius*
I will rejoice in the Lord, and my soul
shall be joyful in my God.

PSALTER Psalm 116 (*responsively*) (page 564, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 24:13-35 (page 90, N.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON by Keith C. Harris
THE ROAD MOST TRAVELED
"While they were talking and discussing,
Jesus himself came near and went with them."
Luke 24:15 (NRSV)

*HYMN 399 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"
Tune: DUNLAP'S CREEK

* 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"

John Stainer

OFFERING

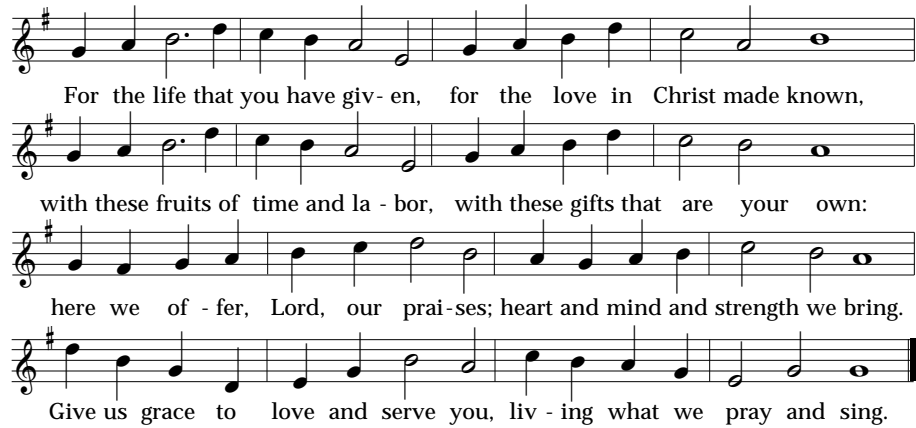
OFFERTORY SOLO "The God of Love My Shepherd Is"
(8:00)

E. H. Thiman

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Alleluia"
(9:30 and 11:00)

Dieterich Buxtehude

*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 come with thanksgiving for these moments when we can ease the pace of our lives and listen for your voice. Create a spirit within us that truly draws us toward you and toward our brothers and sisters: a spirit deep, perceptive, gentle, and bold. Clear our minds, open our hearts, and touch us with your presence and your power. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, our friend and our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN 403

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Tune: CONVERSE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

John Leavitt

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Alleluyas

Simon Preston

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 are

Cate Ryan Busby, daughter of Daniel and Mary Beth Busby

Eric Matthew Butz, son of Greg and Michelle Butz

Gunder Vitaal D'hondt, son of Chris and Christine D'hondt

Chase H. Kleebauer, son of Brett Kleebauer and Julie Bracco

Nicholas Alexander Pranger, son of James Pranger and Kathryn Ditmars

Peyton Barbara Welch, daughter of Michael and Shayne Welch

Children being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

Natasha Leah Berman, daughter of Kevin and Jill Berman

Emily Sophia Feddersen, daughter of Stuart and Susan Feddersen

Erika Barbara Mei-en Ho, daughter of David and Laura Ho

Samantha Grace Lullo, daughter of Michael and Lynn Lullo

Alexander Walker Moncrieff, son of Kenna Walker and Robin Moncrieff

Sebastian Olsen, son of Marija Petrauskas

Worship Leaders

- 8:00 a.m. Donna Gray, Minister for Children and Families
John A. Cairns, Dean, Academy for Faith and Life
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor
- 9:30 a.m. Donna Gray, Minister for Children and Families
Alice M. Trowbridge, Associate Pastor
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor
- 11:00 a.m. Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor
Alice M. Trowbridge, Associate Pastor
Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor

The Music Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist
- 9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir
- 11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

Worship Notes

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Maddie Gissler and Rebecca Lewis on behalf of the Sunday School program at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Alleluyas, today's 9:30 and 11:00 postlude, was written by Simon Preston, Organist and Master of the Choristers at Westminster Abbey from 1981 to 1987. This piece was Preston's first composition for the organ.

The detail on the bulletin cover is taken from one of Fourth Presbyterian Church's aisle windows. Designed by Charles J. Connick of Boston, these stained-glass windows on the north and south sides of the sanctuary were made in the thirteenth-century style known as grisaille.

Other Worship and Prayer Opportunities at Fourth Church

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

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 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, April 22.

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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