May 15, 2005 Day of Pentecost

God hates walls and divisions and intends to save the world by breaking them down. If we want to stay close to God, we need to participate in this barrier breaking project, not frustrate it. Churches, for all their awful mistakes, have a unique power to do that. The community of God has no barriers to membership, not even sin. Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. He didn't wait until we got over it. . . . When the church lives up to its charter, nothing divides its members. . . . People who wouldn't come together for any other reason, who don't share nationality, race, opinions, who don't even like each other, can draw close to each other here, because God chose all of them.

Barbara G. Wheeler Who Needs the Church?

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 Sunday, May 29 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, June 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, June 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at the church 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).

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

Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire

Libby Larsen

(8:00)

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00)

Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire

Libby Larsen

Urban Litany

Aaron David Miller

INTROIT "Holy Spirit"

John LaMontaine

Holy Spirit, font of light, focus of God's glory bright, shed on us a ray. Parent of the parentless, giver of gifts limitless, come and touch our hearts today.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 131

"Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow"

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples and gave them the gift of communication. Your Spirit created bold speech and discerning hearing. We confess our need for your Spirit and for those gifts. We do not listen for you or to one another. We talk when we should listen,

and we do not speak your word of love

and forgiveness when we should. Have mercy on us. Transform our timid faith by the power of your Spirit. Fill us with renewed commitment to live in the world as your courageous and faithful people, doing your will

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news. People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO FOURTH GRADERS (11:00)

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM "O Spirit of the Living God" Austin C. Lovelace

(8:00) O Spirit of the living God, thou light and fire divine, descend upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine. Fill it wi

upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine. Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace, 'til Christ shall dwell in human hearts and sin and sorrow cease. Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow until our minds are free from mists of error, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee. Burn, winged fire! Inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal to preach to all thy great good news, God's glorious commonweal. Teach us to utter words of truth which all may hear, the language that all may understand when love speaks loud and clear, 'til every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one, and earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done. So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save, so shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave, and earth shall win true holiness which makes thy children whole, 'til perfected by thee we reach creation's glorious goal!

ANTHEM "Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott" Hugo Distler

(9:30 and 11:00) Come, Spirit divine, mighty God, complete with all thy

gracious worth, all thy faithful heart, strength, and soul thy ardent love ignite in us. O Lord, with thy great brilliant glow, to the faith hast thou gathered all people and all the earth's voices. Thus art thou, Lord, acknowledged in praise, hallelujah!

PSALTER Psalm 104:24–34 (responsively) (page 556, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:1–13 (page 119, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

WHO NEEDS A CHURCH?

"All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

'What does this mean?'" Acts 2:12 (NRSV)

*HYMN 430 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH

*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 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" John Stainer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

(8:00)

"Qui sedes ad dexteram" from Gloria

Deliver thy people from evil,

have compassion. Lord, have mercy.

(9:30)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Where Shall I Go From Your Spirit?" Kenney Potter

> Where shall I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there, and if I lie down in the depths, you are there. And if I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I go to the ends of the earth, even there you will guide me; your hand will hold me fast.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Spiritus Domini"

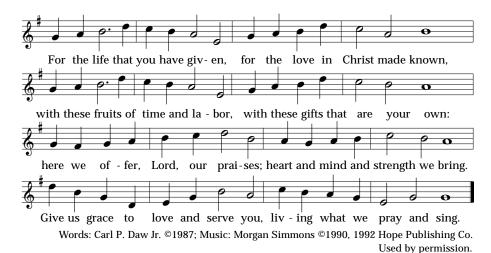
(11:00)

Gerald Near

Antonio Vivaldi

Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole world, alleluia. I will not leave you comfortless, but I will see you again and your heart shall rejoice, alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, our souls inspire and lighten with celestial fire. Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE



*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 all might and power, we praise you that you breathed life into your people and formed your church. We thank you

for calling us to be your people and for giving us the power of your Spirit to be the Body of Christ. Inspire us with the witness of the saints and martyrs who have gone before. Fill us with your Spirit once again, and send us into the world to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 420 "God of Grace and God of Glory" Tune: CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire Nicolas de Grigny

(8:00)

POSTLUDE Fanfare John Swan

(9:30 and 11:00)

Celebrating Our History



This 1914 photograph of Fourth Presbyterian Church was taken shortly after the church was completed and dedicated.

On Sunday, May 10 of that year, the Fourth Church congregation worshiped in the Michigan Avenue sanctuary for the first time, having moved from its smaller facility on Rush at Superior. Preaching that Sunday was Fourth Church Pastor John Timothy Stone, who that year served as Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

A series of special dedicatory services were held throughout the remainder of that week, and later that month, the new sanctuary and parish buildings were host to 1,800 attendees and guests at the General Assembly of the PCUSA.

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. David Aja-Sigmon, Pastoral Resident

Dana Ferguson, Executive Associate Pastor

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate

Dana Ferguson, Executive Associate Pastor

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

11:00 a.m. Carol J. Allen, Associate Pastor

Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Beena David, alto soloist

9:30 a.m. The Children's Choir; The Morning Choir; Tower Brass

11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; Tower Brass

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

Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist Beverly Escuder, Children's Choirmaster

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

Worship Notes

Fourth Church expresses its thanks and appreciation to Tower Brass for its music leadership during the past year. Tower Brass participates in 9:30 and 11:00 worship each third Sunday of the month, September through May.

Bibles will be presented to fourth graders, on behalf of the congregation, during 11:00 worship. In Baptism, the congregation promises to love and nurture those baptized and to assist them to be faithful disciples. This gift of Bibles is but one form that love and nurture takes.

The Chicago Lights Annual Fund Appeal continues today. Because this is the only general appeal for Chicago Lights that will be made this year, those who would like to make gifts in support of the Chicago Lights programs—Partners in Education, Elam Davies Social Service Center, Center for Whole Health, and Center for Older Adults—may want to take advantage of the special offering envelopes available in the pew racks. Gifts can also be made by writing "Chicago Lights Annual Fund" on a check made payable to Chicago Lights.

New choir robes and surplices, which will be worn by the Chancel, Morning, and Vesper Choirs, will be dedicated during worship today. These robes were purchased with a generous gift, made by an anonymous donor, in support of the music program. We are grateful to this donor and to the committee that chose the new robes: Sue Buchanan, Kerry Grady, Elizabeth Hedgcock and Bob Zahnhiser. We dedicate these robes to the glory of God and to the weekly worship of our congregation.

The banners in the sanctuar y present Old Testament and Pentecost themes, including creation, Hebrew law, harvest, Passover, and tongues of fire.

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.

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, May 27.

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