

Confessions of faith gain their authority as expressions of Christians' beliefs in a certain time and place. These beliefs are appropriate expressions of the biblical message, the claims of Jesus Christ, and what the Spirit is leading the churches to confess. [But] new occasions teach new duties, and even venerable and important confessions of the past must be supplemented by expressions of faith in new, contemporary contexts. . . . Confessions are open-ended. They look forward to the future and to what new ways the Spirit of God may lead the church. . . . The question is always, "What is God calling us to do in Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit right here and now?"

Donald K. McKim, *Introducing the Reformed Faith*

## 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.

Worship bags, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

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, August 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, August 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, September 12 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. 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).

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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)

Sonata I in E-flat Major  
Allegro Moderato

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

### PRELUDE

(9:30 and 11:00)

Sonata I in E-flat Major  
Allegro Moderato–Adagio–Allegro

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

### INTROIT

“Humbly I Adore Thee”

*Plainsong*

### \*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

### \*HYMN 268

“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”

*Tune: HOLY MANNA*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

O God, when new challenges confront us  
we are quickly consumed by fear .  
Called to be courageous, we find our faith lacking.  
When asked to take risks,  
we confess our complacency.  
By ignoring injustice we hope it will subside.  
You have shown us that you are a God  
who can be trusted. Encouraging us  
to step out in faith, you have remained  
by our side. Forgive our reluctance  
to believe in your presence and to trust  
in your guidance. Give us the reassurance we need  
to move forward, we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

### PSALTER

Psalm 91:1–6, 9–12 *(responsively)*

(page 548, O.T.)

### \*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 14:22-33

(page 52, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

by John A. Cairns

CONCENTRATE

\*HYMN 419

“How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”

Tune: REPTON

\*APOSTLES’ CREED

(unison)

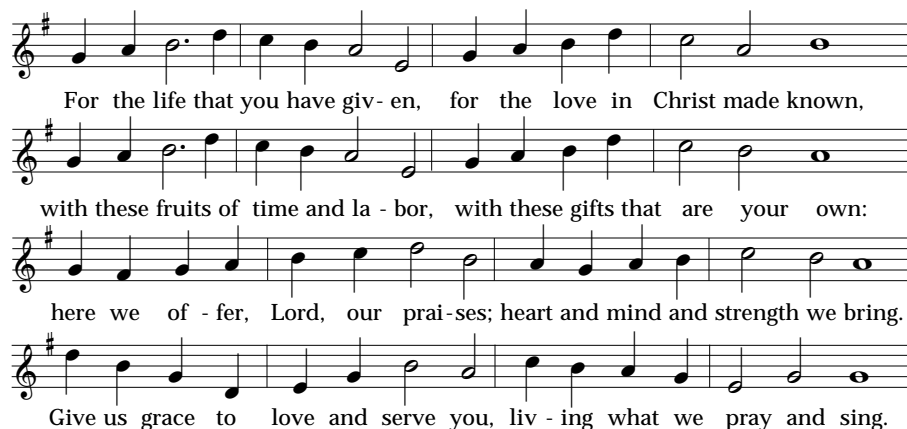
I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “O Sacrum Convivium”

Thomas Luis de Victoria

\*OFFERTORY 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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## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

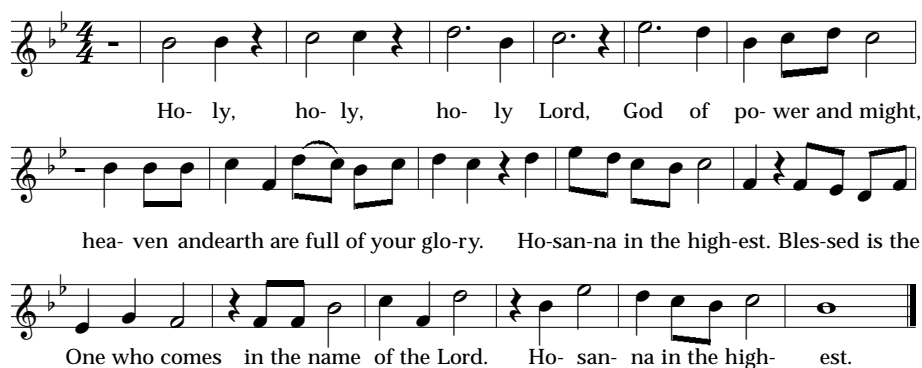
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,  
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho- san- na in the high- est. Bles- sed is the  
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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Minister: You are holy, O God of majesty . . .

. . . dedicated to your service.

Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

### 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.

### THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM “Sovereign Lord, Creator, Righteous One” *Gustav Holst*  
*arr. Mary MacDonald*

## PSALM 23

*(recited in unison after all have received the cup)*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*(unison)*

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven,  
your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide by him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life. Now and forever. Amen.

\*HYMN 343

## “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

*Tune:* BEECHER

## BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

## POSTLUDE

## Prelude to a Te Deum

*Marc-Antoine Charpentier*

# THE LORD'S SUPPER AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 14:19 (NRSV)*

**T**he Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the

worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

At our morning communion services, the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers first take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at evening worship and at morning worship on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

*"I am the bread of life."  
John 6:35 (NRSV)*

Portions of the text adapted from  
*The Book of Order*

### Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod, John A. Cairns  
9:30 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, Thomas C. Rook, John A. Cairns  
11:00 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, Calum I. MacLeod, John A. Cairns

### The Music Today

8:00 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir  
9:30 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir  
11:00 a.m. Men of the Morning Choir

Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

### Worship Notes

The men of the Morning Choir will be assisting in morning worship services during the month of August.

Fourth Church welcomes to 9:30 worship a group of youth and adults from the Second Reformed Church of Zeeland, Michigan. They have been in Chicago this past week working on a mission project.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, are intended to elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day. More information about these hangings, which include two banners that are new this year, can be found in the literature racks.

The bulletin cover shows an architectural detail from the Fourth Presbyterian Church spire. This angel on the Michigan Avenue facade echoes the text of Psalm 150: "Praise God with trumpet sound. . . . Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!"

### Pastoral Staff

John M. Buchanan, Pastor  
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