

The only power that can effect transformation of the order we have described is love. It remained for the 20th century to discover that locked within the atom is the energy of the sun itself. For this energy to be released, however, the atom must be bombarded from without. So, too, locked in every human being is a store of love that partakes of the divine—the *imago dei*, the image of God that is within us. And it too can be activated only through bombardment—in its case, love's bombardment.

Huston Smith

The Soul of Christianity: Restoring the Great Tradition

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.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome.

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, October 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, October 23 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, November 7 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) Sheep May Safely Graze *Johann Sebastian Bach*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Johann Gottfried Walther
Sheep May Safely Graze *Johann Sebastian Bach*
Concerto in D Minor *J. S. Bach*
Largo

INTROIT "Peace" *Shaker song*
arr. Kevin Siegfried
Peace unto Zion. Peace to the faithful, and a crown of rejoicing from your heavenly Father. When Zion shall be cleansed she shall flourish as a rose. I will walk in her midst and will bless all those with a tenfold blessing. And their sorrows shall cease, for I'll cry upon her walls. Peace, sweet peace.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION (The Hymnal, 592)

*HYMN 482 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"
Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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

ANTHEM

“O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls and plenteousness within thy palaces.

PSALTER

Psalm 106:1–5 *(responsively)*

(page 557, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 14:15–24

(page 77, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

by John M. Buchanan

INVITE EVERYONE

“Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. ”

Luke 14:23 (NRSV)

*HYMN 370

“Just as I Am, Without One Plea”

Tune: WOODWORTH

*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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen"

Heinrich Isaak

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO
(8:00)

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"

*African-American spiritual
arr. Harry T. Burleigh*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
(9:30 and 11:00)

"Children's Letters to God"

C. M. Shearer

I. Dear Mister God, how do you feel about people who
don't believe in you? Somebody else wants to know.

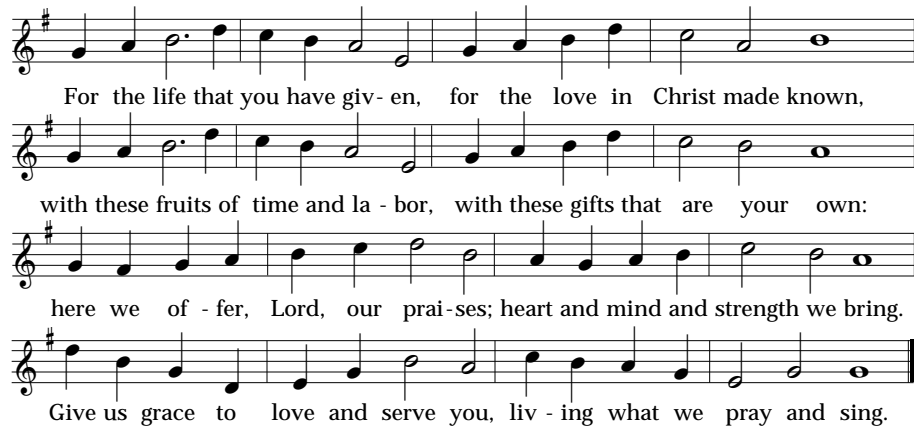
II. Dear God, I have got to know something.
What is it like in heaven? I know it's nice, but
what kind of nice? What happens when it rains?

III. Dear God, my name is Robert. I want a baby brother.
My mother said to ask my father, my father said to
ask you. Do you think you can do it? Well, good luck!

IV. Dear God, what is it like when you die? Nobody will
tell me. I just want to know. I don't want to do it.

V. Last week it rained for three days. We thought it would be
like Noah's ark, but it wasn't. I'm glad because you could
only take two of things, remember, and we have three cats.

*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: Eternal God, creator of the world and giver of all good,
we thank you for the earth, our home,
and for the gift of life. We praise you for your love
in Jesus Christ, who came to heal this broken world,
who died rejected on the cross and rose triumphant
from the dead. Because he lives, we live to praise you,
our God, forever. Gracious God, who called us
from death to life, we give ourselves to you;
and with the church through all ages we thank you
for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 376

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Tune: HYFRYDOL

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE
(8:00)

Music for the Royal Fireworks
Minuet Finale

George Frideric Handel

POSTLUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ *Jamaican folk melody*
arr. John Behnke

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
Molly Claire Caragher, daughter of John and Emily Caragher
Eleanor Reeder Knouse, daughter of Jon and Denise Knouse
Isabella Monroy, daughter of Gerardo and Ivette Monroy
Regina Monroy, daughter of Gerardo and Ivette Monroy
Elaine Ann O'Neil, daughter of Dan and Kristin O'Neil
Bella Francesca Salvi, daughter of Emilio and Julie Salvi

Children being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are
Fiona Jane Buchanan, daughter of Brian and Jillian Buchanan
Keller Christopher Hill, son of Chris and Debbie Hill
Gunnar Hamelin Kirk, son of Stuart and Elizabeth Kirk
Emma Kathleen Lane, daughter of Jeremy and Mandy Lane
William David Pilgrim, son of Blake and Sarah Pilgrim
Emily Alicja Rowe, daughter of Lorel Rowe and Agnes Bajkowska

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Carol J. Allen, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m. Keith C. Harris, Carol J. Allen, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan

The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist
9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; Nathan Cole and Akiko Tarumoto, violinists
11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir; Nathan Cole and Akiko Tarumoto, violinists

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

Worship Notes

Fourth Church welcomes violinists Nathan Cole and Akiko Tarumoto to worship this morning. They will be playing during the prelude at 9:30 and 11:00 worship.

“Children’s Letters to God,” the offertory anthem sung by the Morning Choir, celebrates the 2006 Stewardship Campaign theme, “You are a letter of Christ, . . . written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts” (2 Corinthians 3:3).

The sculpture on the bulletin cover is a floor-to-ceiling mural, created by parents and children in 2003, that hangs in Westminster House. Its life-size figures represent Fourth Church, with its members and friends each an embodied letter of Christ, representing Christ in the world and together living out the church’s ministry and mission.

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 can be found in the literature racks.

Pastoral Staff

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