

The first service that one owes to others in the fellowship consists in listening to them. . . . It is God's love for us that [God] not only gives us [God's] Word but also lends us his ear. . . . Many people are looking for an ear that will listen. They do not find it among Christians because these Christians are talking when they should be listening. . . . [The one] who can no longer listen to his brother [or sister] will soon be no longer listening to God either. . . . This is the beginning of the death of the spiritual life. . . . Christians have forgotten that the ministry of listening has been committed to them by [God] who is himself the great listener and whose work they should share. We should listen with the ears of God that we may speak the Word of God.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*

## 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. 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 today from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, November 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, November 19 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 Elizabeth Andrews, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.274.3818 (eandrews@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)                      Litany                                      *Joel Martinson*

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00)                      Litany                                      *Joel Martinson*  
Prelude and Trumpetings                      *Myron Roberts*

INTROIT                      “Rune of Hospitality”                      *Charles Huddleston Heaton*  
I saw a stranger yestere’en. I put food in the eating place,  
drink in the drinking place, music in the listening place.  
And in the blessed name of the triune, he blessed myself and  
my house, my cattle and my dear ones. And the lark said  
in her song, “Often goes the Christ in the stranger’s guise.”

\*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION                                      (The Hymnal, 592)

\*HYMN 454                      “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”                      *Tune: LIEBSTER JESU*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Almighty and merciful God, you created and  
are creating still. In your presence our limits  
lie stark before us. We confess our unclean lips,  
our cold hearts, our turning away from neighbors,  
our broken promises, and our unrepentant hours.  
Forgive us, O Holy One.  
We confess that we have squandered the gifts  
you have given. We have neglected the land.  
We have grasped for goods. We have used each other .  
We have loved power more than people.  
Forgive us, O Holy One.  
Cleanse from us the illusion of innocence.  
Come into our hearts, and make us new again.  
We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

### MINUTE FOR MISSION

ANTHEM "O How Amiable" *Ralph Vaughan Williams*  
O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King, and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house. They will be always praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us. Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

PSALTER Psalm 90 *(responsively)* (page 547, O.T.)

\*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 22:34–46 (page 25, N.T.)  
Minister: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON by Carol J. Allen  
GOD IS KIND  
“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment.”  
Matthew 22:37–38 (NRSV)

\*HYMN 323 “Loving Spirit” *Tune: OMNI DIE*

\*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"

*Frank Bohnhorst*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO  
(8:00)

"Alleluia" from "Exsultate, jubilate"

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

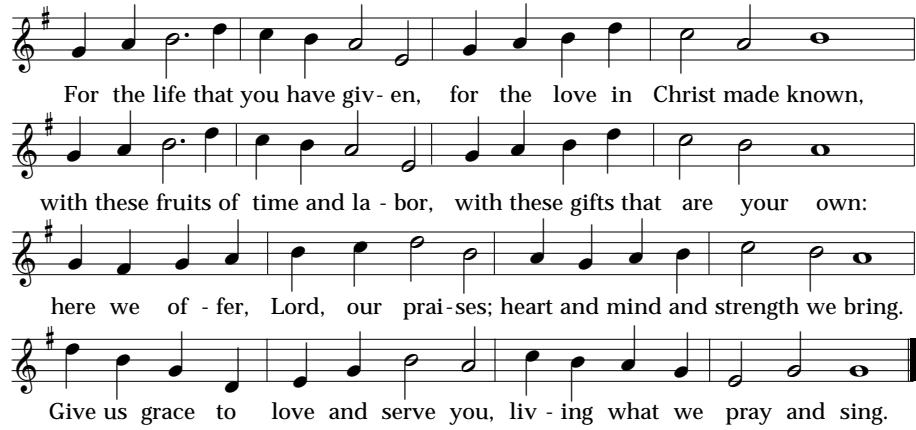
OFFERTORY ANTHEM  
(9:30 and 11:00)

"Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Refuge"

*R. V. Williams*

Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, thou art God from everlasting and world without end. Thou turnest man to destruction. Again thou sayest, "Come again, ye children of men." For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday, seeing that is past as a watch in the night. As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep and fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, dried up and withered. For we consume away in thy displeasure and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation. For when thou art angry all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end as a tale that is told. The years of our age are three score years and ten, and though men be so strong that they come to four score years, yet is their strength but labor and sorrow, so passeth it away and we are gone. Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last. Be gracious unto thy servants. O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon, so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life. Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth or even the earth and the world were made, thou art God from everlasting and world without end. And the glorious majesty of the Lord be upon us. Prosper thou the work of our hands; O prosper thou our handiwork.

\*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: Loving God, from whom comes all that is good,  
we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness  
that has created us, your grace that has sustained us,  
your discipline that has corrected us,  
your patience that has borne with us,  
and your love that has redeemed us. Help us  
to love you and to be thankful for all your gifts  
by serving you and delighting to do your will,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN 427

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

*Tune: BLAENHAFREN*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE  
(8:00)

Gigue

*Donald Stuart Wright*

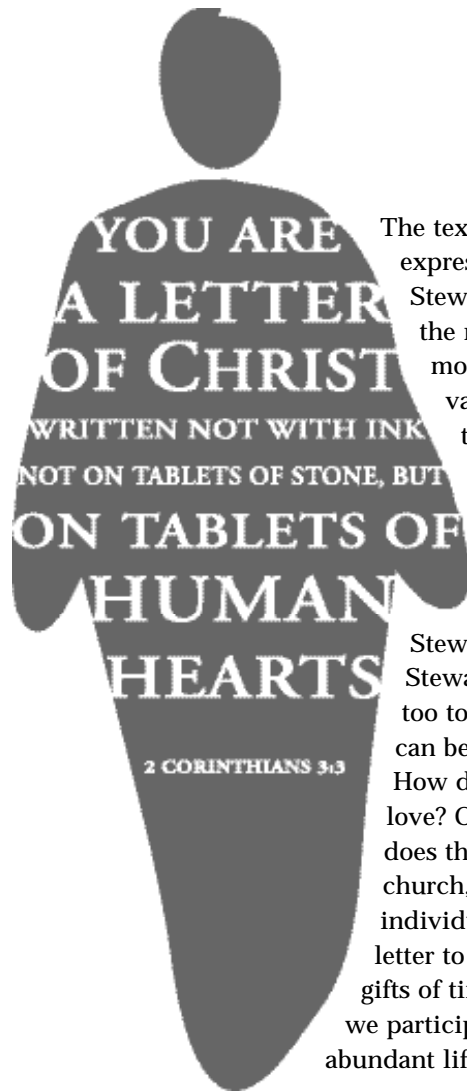
POSTLUDE  
(9:30 and 11:00)

Trumpet Tune

*Frederick Swann*

**STEWARDSHIP 2006**

**“You are a letter of Christ . . .”**



The text from 2 Corinthians 3:3 expresses the theme of the 2006 Stewardship Campaign. Throughout the month, during the Sunday morning “Minute for Mission,” various individuals will share their thoughts on being a letter of Christ. Today’s reflection will be presented by the Calian family.

During this annual Stewardship season, the Stewardship Committee invites you too to consider how your life is and can be Christ’s letter to the world. How do you reflect God and God’s love? One way in which each of us does this is through our gifts to the church, which are part of our individual contributions to God’s letter to the world. It is through these gifts of time, talent, and treasure that we participate in God’s sharing of abundant life with all creation.

### Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, John M. Buchanan, Carol J. Allen  
9:30 a.m. Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan, Carol J. Allen  
11:00 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, John M. Buchanan, Carol J. Allen

### The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Libby Harrison, soprano 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

“Trumpet Tune,” today’s postlude at 9:30 and 11:00, was composed by Frederick Swann. Mr. Swann has served as the organist at Riverside Church in New York City and at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. He is currently the National President of the American Guild of Organists.

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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