A rich self has a distinct attitude toward the past, the present, and the future. It surveys the past with gratitude for what it has received, not with annoyance about what it hasn't achieved or about how little it has been given. A rich self lives in the present with contentment. It still strives, but it strives out of satisfied fullness, not out of the emptiness of craving. A rich self looks toward the future with trust. It gives rather than holding back in fear of coming out too short, because it believes God's promise that God will take care of it. . . . A rich self gives, because its life is "hidden with Christ" in the infinite, unassailable, and utterly generous God, the Lord of the present, the past, and the future.

Miroslav Volf Free of Charge: Giving and Forgiving in a Culture Stripped of Grace

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 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.

A church tour begins at 12:15 p.m., starting at the back of the sanctuary.

We invite you to stop by Coffee Hour after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

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,
October 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, November 6 from 6:30 to
9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, November 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 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

Fantasia in E-flat Major

Camille Saint-Saëns

(8:00)

PRELUDE (9:30 and 11:00) Fanfare Sketch in D-flat Major

Voluntary

Fantasia in E-flat Major **Nunc Dimittis**

Franz Schubert arr. Charles Schuchat Camille Saint-Saëns

Gustav Holst arr. Erich Peterson

Jiri Ignac Linek

Robert Schumann

Introit (8:00)

"All Things Come of Thee"

Eric DeLamarter

Introit (9:30 and 11:00) "Every Shepherd Knows"

Allen Pote

from The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit

Every shepherd knows, in the heat of the day, to go before the lambs and lead them on the way. When the flock is hungry you must walk close by, finding greener fields where tired sheep can lie. Every shepherd knows at the time of sleep, always stay awake to safely guard the sheep. For when danger threatens, only you are there laying down your life to save those in your care. Every shepherd knows sheep will follow through the night when they trust the one who leads the way to light. And every shepherd knows one more thing is true: There's a greater shepherd watching over you. God will go before you through the darkest day, laying down his life to guard you on the way. You can trust the leading and care of the loving shepherd who is always there.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

*Hymn 420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Tune: Cwm Rhondda

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

COMMISSIONING OF NEW PASTORAL RESIDENTS

Anthem "Laudate Nomen Domini" Christopher Tye

(8:00) O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name;

from early morn to setting sun, his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and gladden the heart; he makes his mercies known. Come, all ye people, and bow before his throne.

Anthem "Sing We Merrily" John Marsh

(9:30 and 11:00)

PSALTER Psalm 22:1–11, 27–31 (responsively) (page 473, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

Scripture Lesson Mark 8:34–38 (page 41, N.T.)

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

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

TO SAVE YOUR ONE AND ONLY LIFE

"For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and

for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

Mark 8:35 (NRSV)

*Hymn 422 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Tune: Beach Spring

*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)

(The Hymnal, 16)

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Rest in the Lord"

Eric H. Thiman

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him and he shall give thee thy heart's desires.

OFFERING

Offertory Solo (8:00)

"If with All Your Hearts" from ${\it Elijah}~{\it Felix Mendelssohn}$

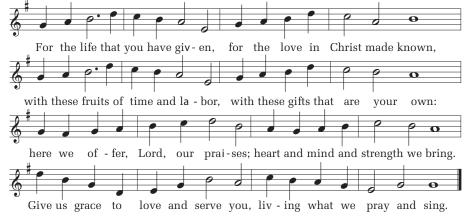
OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:30 and 11:00)

"Praise Ye the Lord"

John Rutter

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts; praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet; praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances; praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals; praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord.

*Presentation of the Offering and Response



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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 give 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 434 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

Tune: Kingsfold

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Aria Pastorella Valentin Rathgeber

(8:00)

POSTLUDE Canzon Primi Toni Giovanni Gabrieli (9:30 and 11:00) arr. Robert King

Pastoral Residency at Fourth Presbyterian Church

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WELCOMES two new Pastoral Residents to the staff this fall. Martha Langford and Hardy Kim, who are being commissioned today, will be with the congregation for the next two years, participating in the Pastoral Residency program, which was begun in 2000 with a Lilly Foundation grant. They will be joining Catherine Knott and Patrick Daymond, who are beginning their second year in the program.

The Pastoral Residency program provides these recent seminary graduates with the opportunity to work in a congregational setting while being mentored—by staff and congregation—in the skills and disciplines of parish leadership. For the two years that each participates in the program, Fourth Church will be privileged to have them as part of the staff, using their pastoral gifts and skills among us while they continue in their formation as practicing Presbyterian ministers. As their second year in the program draws to a close, each will then purse a call to ministry elsewhere, sharing their gifts and leadership with others in the Presbyterian church.

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. Hardy Kim, Donna Gray, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m. John H. Boyle, Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m. John W. Vest, Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan

The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist

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

Jerry Johnson, bass soloist

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

Jerry Johnson, bass soloist

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

Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist Beverly Escuder, Children's Choir Director

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

Worship Notes

Tower Brass, Fourth Church's brass octet, assists in worship leadership this morning. Tower Brass participates in 9:30 and 11:00 worship each third Sunday of the month during the academic year.

The introit sung by the Children's Choir during 9:30 and 11:00 worship is an excerpt from the musical *The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit.* More information about this week's performances of the musical can be found on page 3 of the "News and Opportunities" bulletin insert.

Fourth Church welcomes visitors from Hastings College to 11:00 worship this morning. The representatives from this Presbyterian college located in Hastings, Nebraska, are volunteering with the Elam Davies Social Service Center this weekend.

The bulletin cover depicts the seeds of new life, in the form of acorns. This hand carved stone on the north wall of the chancel dates from 1914, the year of Fourth Church's construction. During this Stewardship season, we are mindful that the gifts we pledge as "letters of Christ" plant seeds of new life in this congregation and the communities it serves.

Pastoral Staff

John M. Buchanan, Pastor

Dana Ferguson, Executive Associate Pastor

Elizabeth B. Andrews, Minister for Congregational Care

John H. Boyle, Parish Associate

Patrick Daymond, Pastoral Resident

Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship

Donna Gray, Minister for Children and Families

Keith C. Harris, Associate Pastor for Community Ministry

Hardy Kim, Pastoral Resident

Catherine Knott, Pastoral Resident

Martha Langford, Pastoral Resident

Calum I. MacLeod, Associate Pastor for New Members and Young Adult Ministry

Thomas C. Rook, Parish Associate

Joyce Shin, Minister for Congregational Activities

Alice M. Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life (on maternity leave)

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

David A. Donovan, Associate Pastor Emeritus