

This vision of God is not a vision of accumulation and monopoly so that those who have the most when they die win. This vision of God's future is not about angels who have gone to heaven floating around in the sky with their loved ones. This vision, rather, is about God's kingdom coming on earth as it already is in heaven. God's rule where the practices of justice and mercy and kindness and peaceableness are every day the order of the day. It is a vision of the world as a peaceable neighborliness in which no one is under threat, no one is at risk, not one is in danger, because all are safe, all are valued, all are honored, all are cared for.

*Inscribing the Text:
Sermons and Prayers of Walter Brueggemann*

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. Worship also can be heard through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

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

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

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.

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, May 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Monday, June 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, June 16 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 Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@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)

Master Tallis's Testament

Herbert Howells

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

Tune in E Major
The Third Mode Melody
Prelude
Master Tallis's Testament

George Thalben-Ball
Thomas Tallis
Gerald Finzi
Herbert Howells

INTROIT
(8:00 and 9:30)

"Beloved, Let Us Love"

Austin C. Lovelace

Beloved, let us love, for love is of God. In God alone hath love its true abode. Beloved, let us love, for they who love, they only are God's own, born from above. Beloved, let us love, for love is light, and they who love do not dwell in night. Beloved, let us love, for only thus shall we behold that God that loveth us.

INTROIT
(11:00)

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

(Text: Hymn 369)

African American spiritual
arr. Wendell Whalum

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 430**

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"

Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
(unison)

**Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.
We overlook the poor and the hungry and
pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries
of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace;
we despise the weak and abuse the earth you made.
Forgive us, God of mercy.
Help us to trust your power to change our lives and
make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**Stand as you are able.*

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

“Hinay Mah Tov”

Robert S. Pollack

How long, O Lord, before we come to you? Uplift our hearts, refresh our souls, prepare our eyes to see that all the world is one before our God. The world is one before the Lord of all who reigns supreme.

PSALTER

Psalm 67 (*responsively*)

(page 500, O.T.)

***GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 16:9–15

(page 127, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

by Dana Ferguson

IS IT EITHER-OR?

“When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, ‘If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.’ And she prevailed upon us.”

Acts 16:15 (NRSV)

***HYMN 332**

“Live Into Hope”

Tune: TRURO

***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.

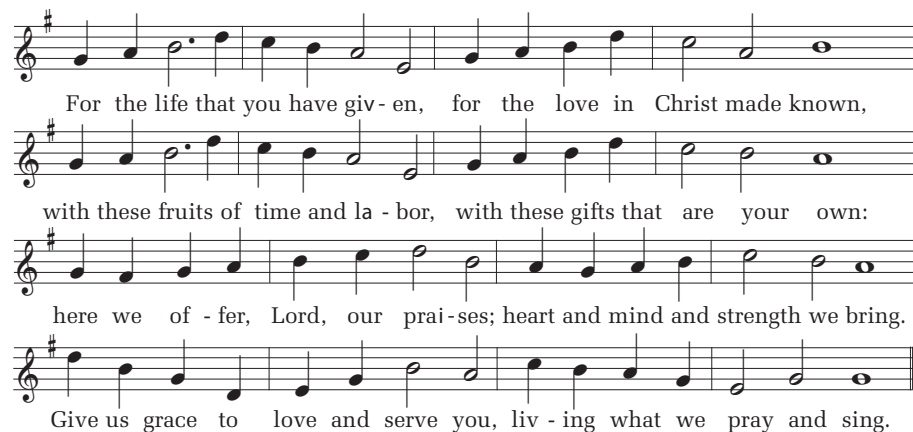
PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen" *Richard Warner*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO "The Greatest of These Is Love" *René Clausen*
(8:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "The Rune of Hospitality" *Alf Houkom*
(9:30 and 11:00)
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 names of the Triune, he blessed me 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."

***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: **As we bring our gifts before you, O Lord,**

we give thanks for the richness of life,

for the beauty and wonder of the world,

for the care of those who love us,

for strength and hope in the trials and difficulties of life,

and for the good news of the risen Christ in our lives.

Strengthen us to be an Easter church

that we might become your body in the world,

servicing, forgiving, and making whole. Amen.

***HYMN 302**

“I Danced in the Morning”

Tune: SIMPLE GIFTS

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

(8:00)

Bailado Brasileiro

Richard Proulx

POSTLUDE

(9:30 and 11:00)

Fanfare

C. S. Lang

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.

The children being baptized at the 9:30 worship service are

*Nora Isabelle Lane, daughter of Cameron Lane
Finley Thomas McSpedon, son of Michael and Sara McSpedon
Isabel Delia Pyle, daughter of Jud and Heather Pyle
William Godfrey Welch, son of Michael and Shayne Welch*

The children being baptized at the 11:00 worship service are

*Charles Jacob Brickman, son of Andrew and Donna Brickman
Jackson Charles Cardwell, son of Stephen and Katharine Cardwell
Caroline Pearl Carrillo, daughter of Dana Carrillo and Dawn Ray
Harold Raymond Demarest IV, son of Harold and Stowe Demarest
Nolan Michael Foley, son of Colm Foley and Amy Pagliarella
Julia Johnson Nickerson, daughter of Matthew and Elizabeth Nickerson*

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Adam Fronczek, Martha Langford, Dana Ferguson
9:30 a.m.	Adam Fronczek, Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson
11:00 a.m.	Keith C. Harris, Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist; Alexia Kruger, soprano soloist
9:30 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Cole Seaton tenor soloist; Jaime Escuder, guitarist
11:00 a.m.	The Morning Choir; The Cherub Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist; Jaime Escuder, guitarist

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music
Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist
Beverly Escuder, Children's and Youth Choir Director

Worship Notes

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—Tutoring and Scholarship, Summer Day, Near North Magnet Cluster Schools, Elam Davies Social Service Center, Center for Whole Health, and Center for Life and Learning—are invited to take advantage of the special offering envelopes available in the pew racks. Gifts may also be made by writing “Chicago Lights Annual Fund” on a check made payable to Chicago Lights. Information about this appeal and the programs it supports is available at the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour and by calling Katy Frey, Associate Director of Donor Relations and Communications for Chicago Lights, at the church at 312.274.3816.

Fourth Presbyterian Church's windows, shown on the bulletin cover, were designed by Charles Connick of Boston and made using the thirteenth-century technique known as grisaille. Rather than using colored glass in figurative representations, grisaille windows are known for their lacy patterns painted onto light-colored glass.

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