

June 17, 2007

*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

You want to know how big God's love is?  
The answer is: It's very big.  
It's bigger than you are comfortable with.

Anne Lamott  
*Grace (Eventually): Thoughts on 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. 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 Sunday, June 24 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, July 9 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, July 14 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)

Three Liturgical Improvisations *George Oldroyd*  
II. "Who so dwelleth under the defense of the most high shall  
abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

**PRELUDE**  
(9:30 and 11:00)

Three Liturgical Improvisations *George Oldroyd*  
I. "My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts  
of the Lord."  
II. "Who so dwelleth under the defense of the most high shall  
abide under the shadow of the Almighty."  
III. "Pour light upon us from above and fire our hearts with  
thy strong love."

**INTROIT**

"Father of All" *Christopher Tye*  
Father of all, we bow to thee who art in heaven adored,  
yet seen on earth through all thy works the universal Lord.  
For thine the power, the kingdom thine, all glory be  
to thee. Thine from eternity and thine shall ever be.

**\*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

**\*HYMN 487**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies" *Tune: LAUDES DOMINI*

**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.**

*\*Stand as you are able.*

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

(11:00)

**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**ANTHEM**

(8:00)

“The Holy City of Our God”

*Jeremiah Clarke*

The holy city of our God, as crystal clear as light, shines  
with the glory of our God, a precious jewel and bright.  
The Lord almighty and the Lamb are holy Zion’s shrine;  
the city needs no sun or moon where all God’s glories shine.  
Rulers shall bring their splendor there and nations see  
its light. By day its gates will not be shut and there will be  
no night. Nothing impure will enter it, none fond of lies  
or strife, but only those recorded in the Savior’s book of life.

**ANTHEM**

(9:30 and 11:00)

“Pater Noster”

*Dan Locklair*

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. Amen.

**PSALTER**

Psalm 43 (*responsively*)

(page 487, O.T.)

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Luke 7:36–50

(page 62, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

by John M. Buchanan

SHOW GREAT LOVE

“ . . . her sins, which were many, have been forgiven;  
hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom  
little is forgiven, loves little.” Luke 7:47 (NRSV)

**\*HYMN 85**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

*Tune: WONDROUS LOVE*

**\*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

"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

*Milton Swenson*

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear  
to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

##### OFFERING

##### OFFERTORY DUET

(8:00)

"Laudamus Te" from *Gloria*

*Antonio Vivaldi*

We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee.

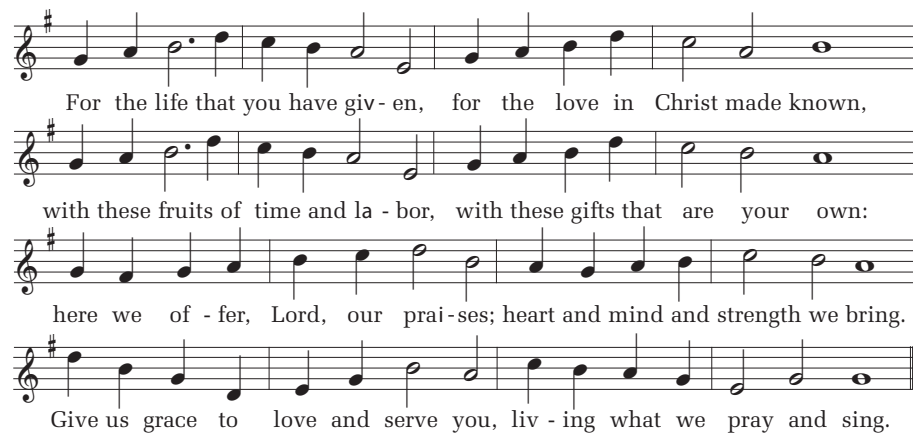
##### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:30 and 11:00)

"Sing We Merrily unto God Our Strength" *Sidney Campbell*

Sing we merrily unto God our strength. Make a cheerful noise unto  
the God of Jacob. Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret, the merry  
harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, even in  
the time appointed and upon our solemn feast day. For this was  
made a statute for Israel and a law of the God of Jacob. Alleluia.

**\*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.**

**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 298**

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

*Tune: IN BABILONE*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE**  
(8:00)

Fugue in D Major

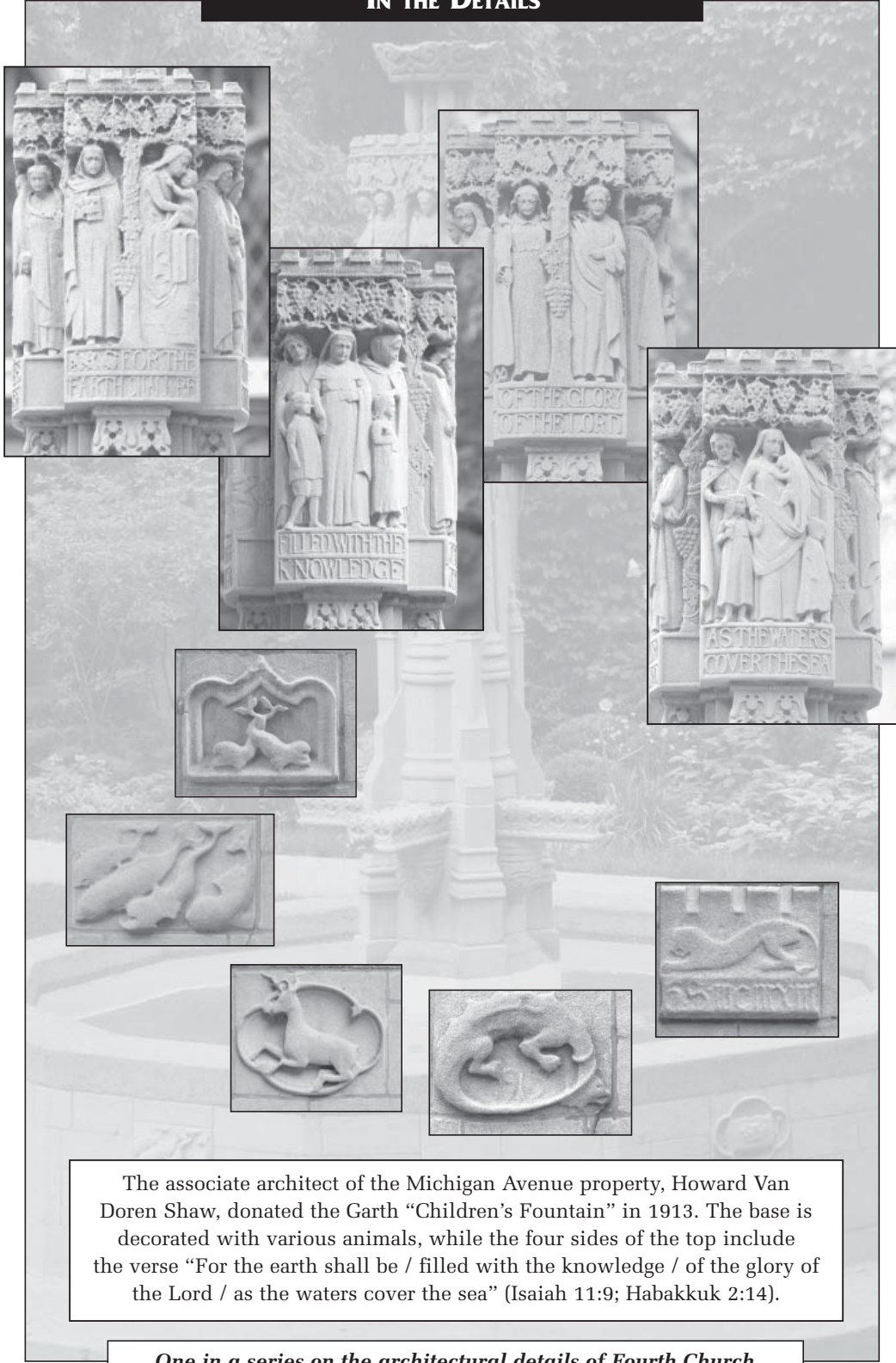
*Johann Pachelbel*

**POSTLUDE**  
(9:30 and 11:00)

Festival Toccata

*Percy E. Fletcher*

## IN THE DETAILS



The associate architect of the Michigan Avenue property, Howard Van Doren Shaw, donated the Garth "Children's Fountain" in 1913. The base is decorated with various animals, while the four sides of the top include the verse "For the earth shall be / filled with the knowledge / of the glory of the Lord / as the waters cover the sea" (Isaiah 11:9; Habakkuk 2:14).

*One in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church*

## Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Donna Gray, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m.	Joyce Shin, John H. Boyle, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m.	Joyce Shin, Calum I. MacLeod, John M. Buchanan

## The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	Members of The Morning Choir; Andrea Pokrefke and Marnie Pomeroy, soprano soloists
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

**Today's prelude, "Three Liturgical Improvisations,"** was composed by George Oldroyd in 1948. Oldroyd was born in Yorkshire, England in 1886. In 1921 he became the organist at St. Michael's Church in Croydon and in 1949 was appointed a professor of music at London University. Oldroyd held these two positions until his death in 1951.

**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 is available in the literature racks.

**Shown on the bulletin cover** is the Children's Fountain, located in the Garth. A gift of Parish House architect Howard Van Doren Shaw, it includes the quotation "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea," from Isaiah 11:9. Details from the fountain are shown on page 7 of this bulletin.

## Pastoral Staff

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