March 23, 2008 Easter Sunday



The proclamation of Easter Day is that all is well. And as a Christian, I say this not with the easy optimism of one who has never known a time when all was not well but as one who has faced the Cross in all its obscenity as well as in all its glory, who has known one way another what it is like to live separated from Cod. In the end, Cod.'s will

the easy optimism of one who has never known a time when all was not well but as one who has faced the Cross in all its obscenity as well as in all its glory, who has known one way or another what it is like to live separated from God. In the end, God's will, not ours, is done. Love is the victor. Death is not the end. The end is life. His life and our lives through him, in him. Existence has greater depths of beauty, mystery, and benediction than the wildest visionary ever dared to dream. Christ our Lord has risen.

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

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship.

A church tour begins at 12:45 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 Sunday, March 30 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, April 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 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 Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org).

MORNING WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30, and 11:30

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

Prelude Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals Sigfrid Karg-Elert

arr. Thomas Brantigan

Prelude and Fugue in D Major

Awake, Thou Wintry Earth
from Praised Be the Lord

The Holy Christ Has Risen

Canzon septimi toni No. 2
from Sacrae Symphoniae

Johann Sebastian Bach
arr. Roberta Bitgood
Giovanni Gabrieli
arr. Robert King

Introit "Alleluia!" Richard Proulx

Alleluia! The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. Alleluia!

*Doxology (The Hymnal, 592)

*CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Hymn 123 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" Tune: Easter Hymn

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

(unison) God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead,

for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.
Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life
we share with Christ, and help us grow as your people
toward the fullness of eternal life with you,

through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives among us. 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.

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^{*}Stand as you are able.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 98 (responsively) (page 521. O.T.)

Anthem "Surrexit Christus" Giovanni Battista Pergolesi

(8:00) Christ is arisen! Alleluia! This day Christ

is truly arisen from the dead. Alleluia!

Anthem "Auf, auf, mein Herz, mit Freuden" J. S. Bach

(9:30 and 11:30) Up, up my heart with gladness this day; behold, how bright,

chasing away our sadness, there comes such a great light. Once our Savior did rest in the earth's dark breast, where we ourselves shall be when we come to die. When men laid him in the grave, the foe looked on with glee; there they would fain have left him, yet Christ soon was fully free from the binding tomb. Death and its powers were overcome, eternal triumph won by God's own Son.

First Lesson Isaiah 25:6–10 (page 613, O.T.)

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

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 27:62–28:10 (page 31, N.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

FEAR AND GREAT JOY

"Pilate said . . . , 'Make it as secure as you can.'

So they went with the guard and

made the tomb secure by sealing the stone."

Matthew 27:65-66 (NRSV)

*Hymn 118 "The Day of Resurrection!" Tune: Lancashire

*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 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

"Alleluia, Amen"

Parke S. Barnard

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

(8:00)

"The Trumpet Shall Sound" from Messiah

George Frideric Handel

Behold, I tell you a mystery: we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. The trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we all shall be changed.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

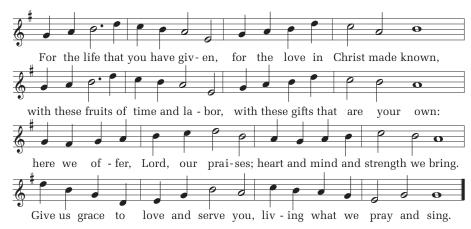
(9:30 and 11:30)

"Hallelujah" from Mount of Olives Ludwig van Beethoven

Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son. Praise the Lord,

ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy. O proclaim his grace and glory, hallelujah.

*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, we praise you that your glory has dawned on us and brought us into this Day of Resurrection. We rejoice that the grave could not hold your Son and that he has conquered death and is risen to rule over all powers of this earth. We praise you that he summons us into new life, to follow him with joy and gladness. By your Spirit, lift us from doubt and despair, and set our feet in Christ's holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life and all we have may show forth his love. Praise, glory, and thanksgiving to you, our God, forever and ever. Amen.

*Hymn 113 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"" Tune: Llanfair

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Hallelujah!" from Messiah G. F. Handel

Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of the Lord and

of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever. Hallelujah!

Postlude Toccata from Symphonie V Charles-Marie Widor

EASTER FLOWERS

Gifts supporting Eastertime sanctuary flowers have been made in memory and in honor of family, friends, and loved ones.

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Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m. John W. Vest, Alice M. Trowbridge, John M. Buchanan
9:30 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan
11:30 a.m. Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson, John M. Buchanan

The Music Today

8:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir; Tower Brass; Jerry Johnson, bass soloist

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; Tower Brass 11:30 a.m. The Morning Choir; Tower Brass

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

Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist

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 the second and third worship services each third Sunday of the month during the academic year.

The first three stanzas of the opening hymn, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today," have been sung by Christians since the fourteenth century. The final stanza was added in 1740 by Charles Wesley (1707–1788), who wrote more than 6,000 hymns texts.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received today. Gifts to this offering, which has been received throughout Lent, support the work of the programs of Chicago Lights—specifically the Scholarship Program and the Elam Davies Social Service Center—as well as the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Interfaith Homes Initiative. Gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering can be made by using the envelopes in the pew racks or writing "One Great Hour" on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Depicting Easter joy and celebration through its vibrant colors and symbolism,

the bulletin cover image, "The Glory of the Cross," is the work of Thai artist Sawai Chinnawong, a former artist in residence at the Overseas Ministry Study Center in New Haven, Connecticut. The painting is based on Philippians 2:8–9 (page 186, N.T.).

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