

April 6, 2008

Third Sunday of Easter

Like it or not, if you are a Christian, you are called to bear witness, to testify to the hope that is within you, to tell people about Jesus. Tomorrow, when you get into the classroom, or the boardroom, the office, or over the kitchen table, that is what you are called to do. So we gather on Sunday and we speak to one another about Jesus so that we might get the courage and conviction to leave here and to speak to the world about Jesus. You learn, in our Sunday worship, the joy of hearing the truth, the invigoration that comes from having things called by their proper names. Then you go forth into the world to perform that same function for the world. Would that all of God's people were prophets.

William H. Willimon, "Prophets All"

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.

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 Monday, April 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, April 27 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. 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)

Rubrics
“The Peace may be exchanged.”

Dan Locklair

PRELUDE
(9:30 and 11:00)

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight
Rubrics
“. . . ‘Hallelujah,’ has been restored . . . ”
“Silence may be kept.”
“. . . and thanksgivings may follow.”
“The Peace may be exchanged.”
“The people respond—Amen!”

James Biery
Dan Locklair

INTROIT

“Blessed Is He That Cometh”
Blessed is he that cometh in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eric DeLamarter

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION**

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 122**

“Thine Is the Glory”

Tune: JUDAS MACCABEUS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
(*unison*)

**Loving God, we read of your mighty acts among
your people, and we rejoice in your power
displayed in Jesus, the risen One.
We confess our faithlessness and lack of trust.
We have lived as though your power belonged to the past;
we have not trusted Jesus to work miracles of
healing and forgiveness in us; we have looked at
our own sin and been frightened by it;
and when we have looked at the sin of others,
it has made us smug. Our selfishness and wastefulness
have hurt the earth. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Raise us out of the captivity of guilt into the freedom
and energy of forgiven people. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**Stand as you are able.*

PSALTER Psalm 116:1–4, 12–19 (*responsively*) (page 533, O.T.)

FIRST LESSON Luke 24:13–35 (page 84, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Acts 2:14a, 36–41 (page 111, N.T.)

SERMON by Dana Ferguson

CAN I GET A WITNESS?

“So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.”

Acts 2:41 (NRSV)

***HYMN 411** “Arise, Your Light Is Come!” *Tune: FESTAL SONG*

***APOSTLES CREED** (*unison*)

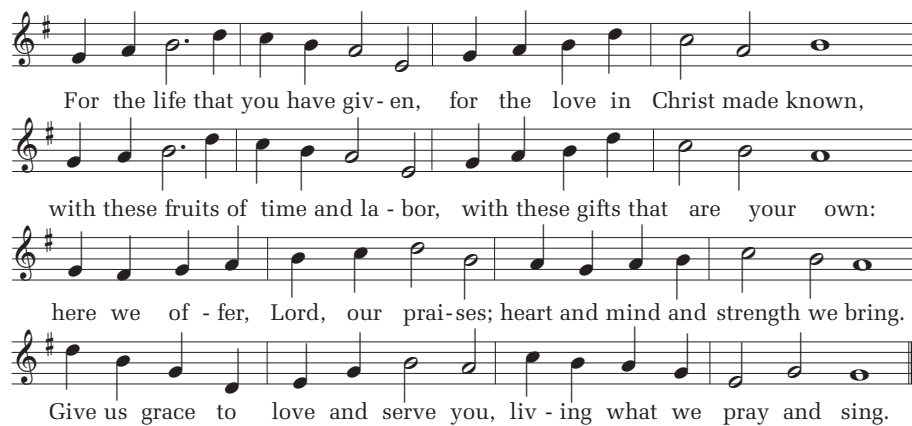
**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
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.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight *James Biery*
(8:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Shout On” *African American spiritual*
(9:30 and 11:00) *arr. Alice Parker*

*OFFERTORY 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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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

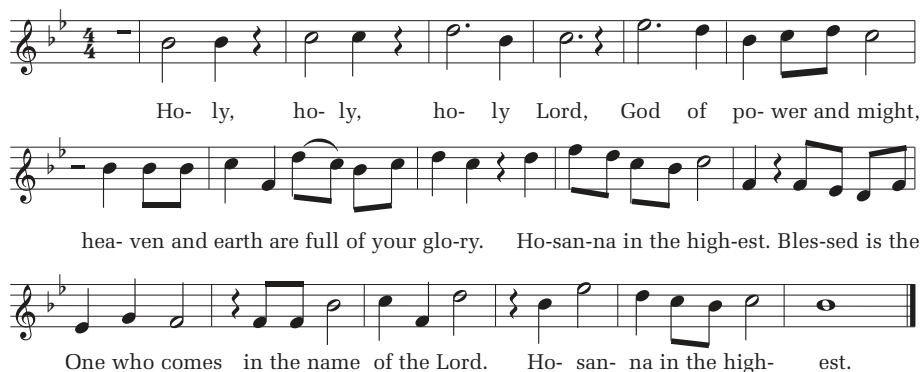
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYER

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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Minister: You are holy, O God of majesty . . .
. . . dedicated to your service.

Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Minister: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)* (The Hymnal, page 16)

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One" *Healey Willan*
Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the
winter is past, the rain is over and gone, the flowers appear
on the earth, the time of the singing of birds is come.

PSALM 23 *(recited in unison after all have received the cup)*
(9:30 and 11:00) **The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me
to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the
still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though
I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will
fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff,
they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head
with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and
mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(unison) **Glory to God, who brought back from the dead
our Lord Jesus Christ and crowned him with
glory and honor. Glory to Jesus Christ, who lives
to plead our cause at the right hand of God
and who will come again to make all things new.
Glory to the Holy Spirit, who brings us the taste
of the good Word of God and the power of the age
to come. Praise and glory and thanksgiving
and honor be to our Lord forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 430** "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" *Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fanfare *Richard Proulx*

THE LORD'S SUPPER AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Do this in remembrance of me." Luke 22:19 (NRSV)

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the last meal before his death, Jesus took and shared with his disciples bread and wine, speaking of these elements as his body and blood, symbols of the new relationship with God brought about by his impending death. On the day of his resurrection, the risen Jesus made himself known to his followers in the breaking of bread.

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the

Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose

trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

During 8:00 worship, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles. During 9:30 and 11:00 worship, the congregation is served in the pews by elders and deacons in an act symbolizing their role as servant leaders in the church. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers take the bread and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

Fourth Presbyterian Church celebrates the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. worship and at all morning services on the first Sunday of even-numbered months.

*"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35 (NRSV)*

Portions of the text adapted from
The Book of Order

Worship Leaders

8:00 a.m.	Martha Langford, Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson
9:30 a.m.	Alice M. Trowbridge, Calum I. MacLeod, Dana Ferguson
11:00 a.m.	Alice M. Trowbridge, Thomas C. Rook, Dana Ferguson

The Music Today

8:00 a.m.	The Chancel Choir
9:30 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist
11:00 a.m.	The Morning Choir; Cole Seaton, tenor soloist

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

Worship Notes

Rubrics, part of today's prelude, was written by Dan Locklair (b. 1949) in 1988.

In a preface to the piece, Locklair writes, "The extra-musical impetus and subsequent title for each movement of *Rubrics* are found in the instructions (rubrics) to the services for *The Book of Common Prayer*."

Fourth Church will toll its bells eighteen times after 11:00 worship today as part of "Sound the Alarm for Health Care Justice," an interfaith advocacy effort on behalf of the 1.8 million people in Illinois who have no health insurance.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. A Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). The monthly Taizé service is held in Anderson Hall on the fourth Friday of each month and offers an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection.

On the cover: The detail on the bulletin cover is taken from one of Fourth Presbyterian Church's aisle windows. Designed by Charles J. Connick of Boston, these stained glass windows on the north and south sides of the sanctuary were made in the thirteenth-century style known as grisaille.

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