

WORSHIP LEADERS

Alice M. Trowbridge Associate Pastor
Kristi Walker Liturgist
John W. W. Sherer Organist and Director of Music
Carol Carpenter Flutist
The Vespers Choir

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The next service is Friday, April 25.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

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).

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).

The Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, a ministry of Fourth Church, offers support groups as well as individual, couples', and premarital counseling. Information about the Center is available in the literature racks or by calling 312.787.8425.

Parking is available Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

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Fourth Presbyterian Church
Sunday, April 6, 2008
6:30 p.m.

vespers

PRELUDE We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight *James Biery*

INVOCATION

*HYMN 108 "Christ Is Alive!" *Tune: TRURO*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison) Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us
from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with
reverent and humble hearts we may draw near you,
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM "Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One" *Healey Willan*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:13–35 (page 84, O.T.)
Minister: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Stand as you are able.*

COMMUNION MEDITATION

by Alice M. Trowbridge
THE EYES OF THE HEART

*HYMN 399 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” *Tune: DUNLAP’S CREEK*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(unison)

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God. We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our Judge and our Hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

(United Church of Canada)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “New Songs of Celebration Render” *Eric Routley*
arr. John Ferguson

*DOXOLOGY (The Hymnal, 592)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

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.**

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

People *(sung)*: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(unison)

**Loving God, you graciously feed us,
who have received these holy mysteries,
with the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.
May we who have received this sacrament
be strengthened in your service;
we who have sung your praises
tell of your glory and truth;
we who have seen the greatness of your love
see you face to face in your kingdom.
For you have made us your own people by
the saving death of our risen Lord, thanks be to God.
Amen.**

*HYMN 122 “Thine Is the Glory” *Tune: JUDAS MACCABEUS*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fanfare

Richard Proulx