

## THE COMMUNION

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

**God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us as we seek to walk according to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 540** “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

*Tune:* RANDOLPH

### BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

**POSTLUDE** Fanfare

*William Mathias*

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### WORSHIP LEADERS

**Adam Fronczek** Associate Pastor

**The Vespers Choir**

**Thomas E. Gouwens** Associate Organist

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**Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities** in addition to Sunday morning services. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). A Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on the fourth Friday of each month.

**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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# vespers

6:30 p.m. Sunday August 17, 2008

A LIGHT IN THE CITY  
**FOURTH**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
**CHURCH**  
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**PRELUDE** Sonata I in E-flat Major *Johann Sebastian Bach*  
Allegro Moderato

### INVOCATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
my name is great among the nations,  
says the Lord of hosts.

People: **The Lord's name be praised.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**\*HYMN 408** “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

*Tune:* GERMANY

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

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

*\*Stand as you are able.*

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**PSALTER** Psalm 133 (*responsively*) (page 543, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “King of Glory, King of Peace”  
*David Charles Walker*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Genesis 45:1–15 (page 40, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**COMMUNION MEDITATION** by Adam Fronczek  
BROTHERS

**\*HYMN 282** “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”  
*Tune: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT*

**\*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 ANTHEM** “Jesus Calls o’er the Tumult”

*David Hurd*

**\*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: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

*(sung)* **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 (*traditional*)

**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.**