

November 2, 2008

All Saints' Sunday

9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

NOTHING WORTH DOING CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN A LIFETIME; therefore, we must be saved by hope. Nothing true or beautiful or good makes sense in any immediate context of history; therefore, we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone. Therefore, we are saved by love.

Reinhold Niebuhr

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 for three hours 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 for 900 parking must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, November 3 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, November 23 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Calum MacLeod, Associate Pastor, at 312.981.4025.

Fourth Church Cares

To notify pastoral staff of personal concerns and anxieties, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; 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

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

PRELUDE The Lord's My Shepherd *Searle Wright*
 Elegy *Malcolm Archer*
 Adagio *Samuel Barber*

INTROIT “Holy is the True Light” *William H. Harris*
 Holy is the true light and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict. From Christ, they inherit a home of unfading splendor wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 442** “The Church's One Foundation” *Tune: AURELIA*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 90:1–6; 13–17 (page 517, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Requiem Aeternam” from *Requiem* *John Rutter*
 Grant them rest eternal, Lord our God, we pray to thee, and light perpetual shine on them forever. Thou, Lord, art worshiped in Zion; thy praises shall ever be sung in all Jerusalem. O hear us, O Lord, hear thy faithful servants' prayer; to thee shall all mortal flesh return. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

FIRST LESSON Revelation 21:1–4 (page 244, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

SECOND LESSON Deuteronomy 34:1–12 (page 184, O.T.)

SERMON by John M. Buchanan

THE WORK OF OUR HANDS

“Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!” Psalm 90:17 (NRSV)

***HYMN 210** “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past” *Tune: ST. ANNE*

***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

“Amen”

John Stainer

OFFERING

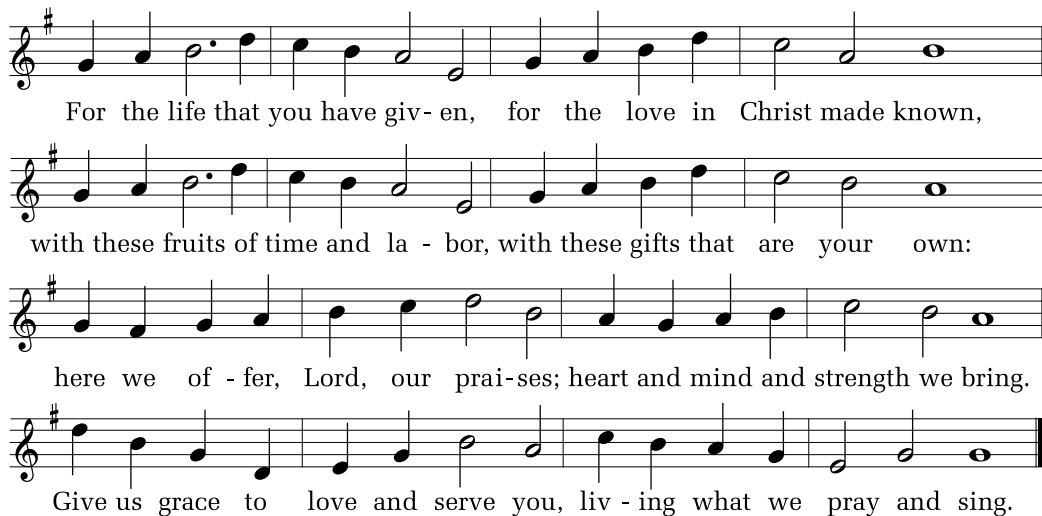
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Faire Is the Heaven”

W. H. Harris

Faire is the heaven, where happy souls have place in full enjoyment of felicity, where they do still behold the glorious face of the divine, eternal majesty. Yet far more fair be those bright cherubins which all with golden wings are oversight. And those eternal burning seraphins which from their faces dart out fiery light. Yet fairer than they both and much more bright be the angels and archangels which attend on God's own person without rest or end. These then in fair each other far excelling as to the highest they approach more near. Yet is that highest far beyond all telling fairer than all the rest which there appear though all their beauties joined together were? How then can mortal tongue hope to express the image of such endless perfectness?

***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 AND LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE**

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.**

Minister: God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For all your servants who have faithfully served you, witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who still are shining lights in the world,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For those no longer remembered, who earnestly sought you in darkness, who held fast their faith in trial, and served others,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

Minister: For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and especially for those members of Fourth Presbyterian Church who have, in the year just past, finished their race and are now at rest with you (*reading of the names*) . . . We give you thanks, O God, and for these your servants,

People: **we praise you, O God.**

All: **Keep us grateful for their witness and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

***HYMN 526**

“For All the Saints”

Tune: SINE NOMINE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Cortège et Litanie

Marcel Dupré

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

TODAY IS ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year are read during worship.

Richard Adams

Marie Carstensen

Mary Park Emmons

Dana Ferguson Myers

Wilbert Gedonius

Marian Gifford

Jane Bachman Gordon

Emmie Janick

Elmer Johnson

Rosemary Keller

Joan Major

Cynthia Montgomery

Mary Myers

Jean Nearing

Jane Nichols

William E. Peelor

Sally Roos

Evelyn M. Stewart

Jack L. Stotts

Richard Temple

Joan Underberg

Sally Walters

Marian Woods

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, Adam Fronczek, John M. Buchanan
11:00 a.m. Alice M. Trowbridge, Thomas C. Rook, John M. Buchanan

THE MUSIC TODAY

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

This morning's offertory anthem, "Requiem Aeternam," is from John Rutter's *Requiem*, which will be offered in its entirety as part of tonight's Vespers service at 6:30 p.m. *Requiem* was written in 1985 as a personal response to a significant loss in Rutter's life; it is a work of soothing beauty with a message of redemption, peace, and hope in eternal life.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings" created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day.

The bulletin cover depicts seeds of new life, in the form of acorns. This hand-carved stone on the north wall of the chancel dates from 1914, the year of Fourth Church's construction. On this All Saints' Sunday, we give thanks for the gift of new life that is ours through Jesus Christ. We are also mindful that during this Annual Appeal season, the gifts we offer plant seeds of new life in this congregation and the communities it serves through worship, education and discipleship, and mission and service.

PASTORAL STAFF

John M. Buchanan, Pastor
Calum I. MacLeod, Acting Executive Associate Pastor
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