

ONE OF THE UNSURPRISING IRONIES of early Christian history—of all Christian history—is that the drive to be one (as God is one) leads to conflict and schism. The Christian community ought always to strive and pray for unity—but to admit a considerable measure of diversity. How much unity is achievable? How much diversity is tolerable? These are judgments that each generation must make. . . . Saint Paul, at his best, . . . had the clearest knack for polyphony, for bringing into overt expression the conscientious voices of many: of tradition, of scripture, of weak, of strong, of time-honored custom, of the radically new gospel. This is at least one feature of Paul’s rhetoric that we could well imitate.

Wayne A. Meeks, *The Origins of Christian Morality*

## 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 Saturday, February 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, February 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, March 2 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399.

### **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** Lord, Take My Heart, It Beats for Thee *Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

**INTROIT** “Sing to the Lord” *Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni*  
Sing to the Lord your God a new song; O praise him in the company of his saints. Let all the world be joyful in him that made all and let all the people be joyful and sing to their King.

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

**\*HYMN 264** “When in Our Music God Is Glorified” *Tune: ENGELBERG*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**We come before you, Lord, sorry for the sins we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We are sorry for not confessing sooner. We are too often self-righteous, not seeing the wrong we commit. We are too often stubborn, so that even when we know we have wronged someone, we are slow to make amends. Lord, we ask you to cleanse us daily with your forgiving grace and renew in us the desire to live as your Son lived, a life made in your image. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

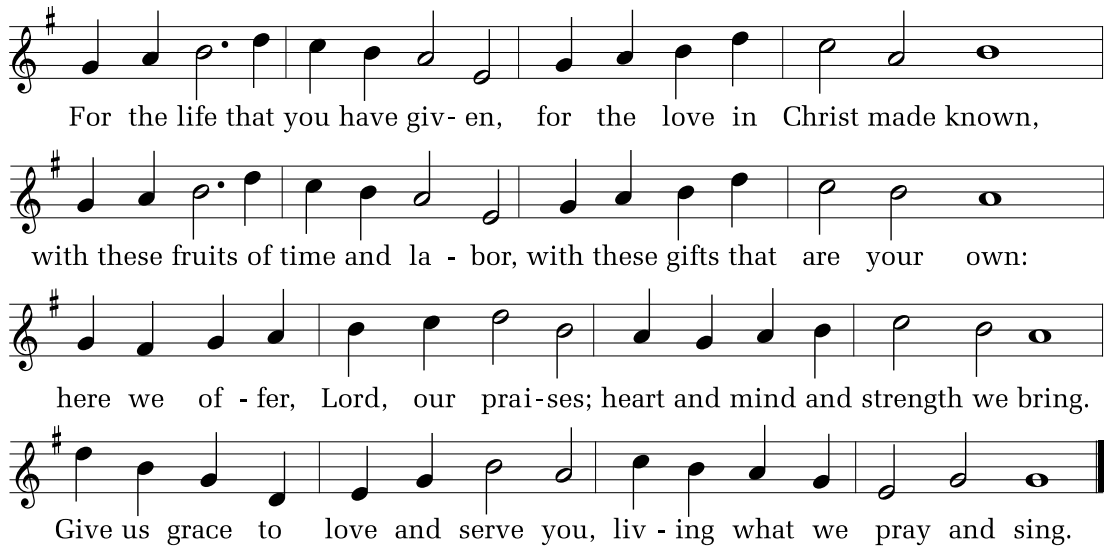
**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PSALTER** Psalm 147:1–11 (*responsively*) (page 549, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “Banned and Banished” *Stephen Folkemer*  
Banned and banished by their neighbors, full of sores, accused of sin, scorned and scarred, the ten were calling, warning all, “Unclean!” Jesus met them with compassion, heard their cry, “Have mercy, Lord!” Cleansed their flesh and turned them homeward with his saving, healing word. Still, O Christ, we bring before you ills of body, mind, and soul. Speak again your word of healing; cleanse, renew, and make us whole! Then, redeemed, restored, forgiven, Lord, this other gift impart: for the mercy you have shown us, grant us each a grateful heart.



## \*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.**

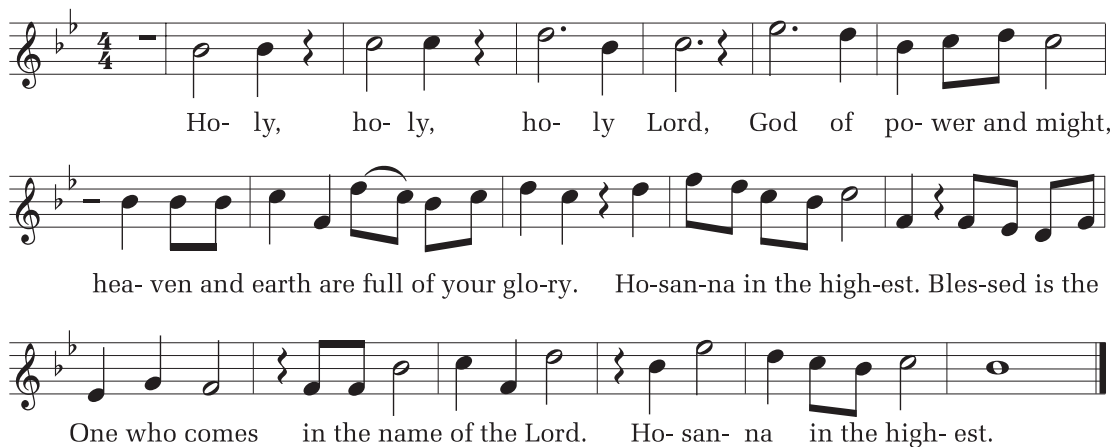
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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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**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**

**COMMUNION ANTHEM** "There Is a Balm in Gilead" *African American spiritual*  
*arr. William L. Dawson*

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus, and say, "He died for all."

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(unison)*

**Gracious God, you have made us one in heaven  
and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life  
and renewed us for your loving service. Help us to be  
Christ's faithful disciples so that our daily living may  
be part of the life of your kingdom and our love be  
your love reaching out into the life of the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 507** "I Come with Joy" *Tune: DOVE OF PEACE*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** Postlude *William Mathias*

# The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

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

**T**HE 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.

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.

This morning, 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.

*"I am the bread of life."*

John 6:35 (NRSV)

Portions of the text above adapted from *The Book of Order*

**WORSHIP LEADERS** Sarah A. Johnson, Adam Fronczek, Joyce Shin

**THE MUSIC TODAY** The Chancel Choir  
Andrea Pokrefke and Carol Carpenter, soloists  
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music  
Thomas E. Gowens, Associate Organist

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

**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.

**Printed copies of sermons** recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**Bulletin cover:** Since Fourth Church was dedicated in May 1914, more than six million worshipers have passed under this twelve-foot-wide tympanum over the Michigan Avenue entrance. The carving depicts Aaron blessing the children of Israel, as he was instructed by God in Numbers 6:23–26: “Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, ‘The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.’”

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