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March 15, 2009

*Third Sunday in Lent*

8:00 a.m.

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**G**OD ASKS US IN JESUS to share his anger when in his name people's dignity is diminished, or love is abused, or the poor are exploited, or when he himself is neglected. This is true religion: to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with our God.

Donal Neary SJ, *Communion Reflections Year B*

## 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 Sunday, March 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, April 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information about membership, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399.

### **Fourth Church Cares**

**To notify pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange homebound Communion with a Deacon, 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** Elegy *Malcolm Archer*

**INTROIT** “The Lord Is Full of Compassion” *Iain Quinn*  
The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; come let us adore him.  
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

**\*HYMN 274** “O God of Earth and Space” *Tune: LEONI*

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

**Almighty God, you love us,  
but we have not loved you.  
You call, but we have not listened.  
We walk away from neighbors in need,  
wrapped in our own concerns.  
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.  
God of grace, help us to admit our sin,  
so that as you come to us in mercy,  
we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.  
Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

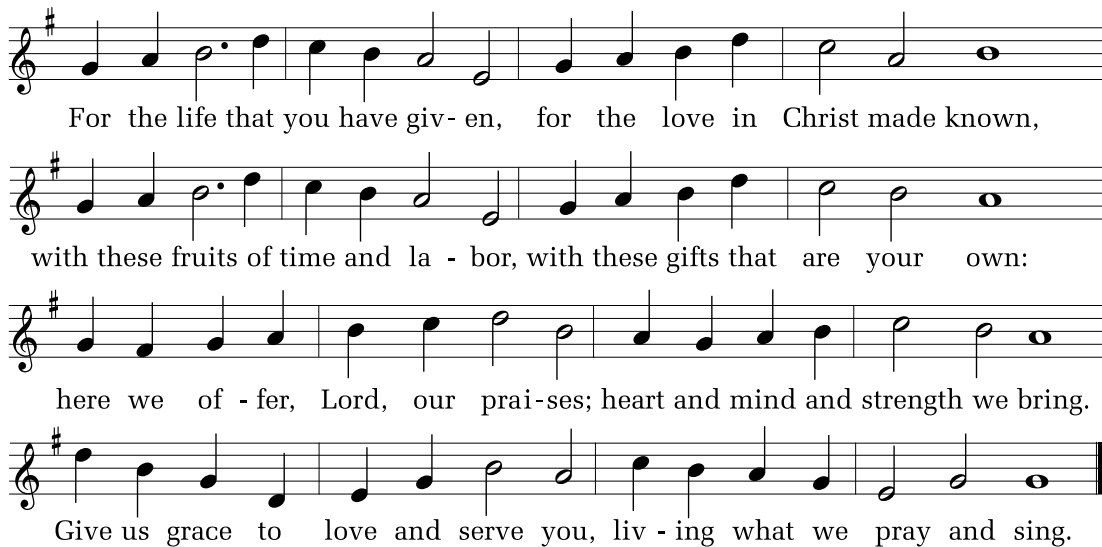
**CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**PSALTER** Psalm 19 (*responsively*) (page 472, O.T.)

**ANTHEM** “Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me” *Robert Roth*  
Lord, thou hast searched me and dost know wherever I rest,  
wherever I go; thou knowest all that I have planned and all  
my ways are in thy hand. Where can I go apart from thee or  
whither from thy presence flee? In heaven? It is thy dwelling fair.  
In death’s abode? Lo, thou art there. If deepest darkness cover me,  
the darkness hideth not from thee; to thee both night and day are  
bright; the darkness shineth as the light.



## \*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.**

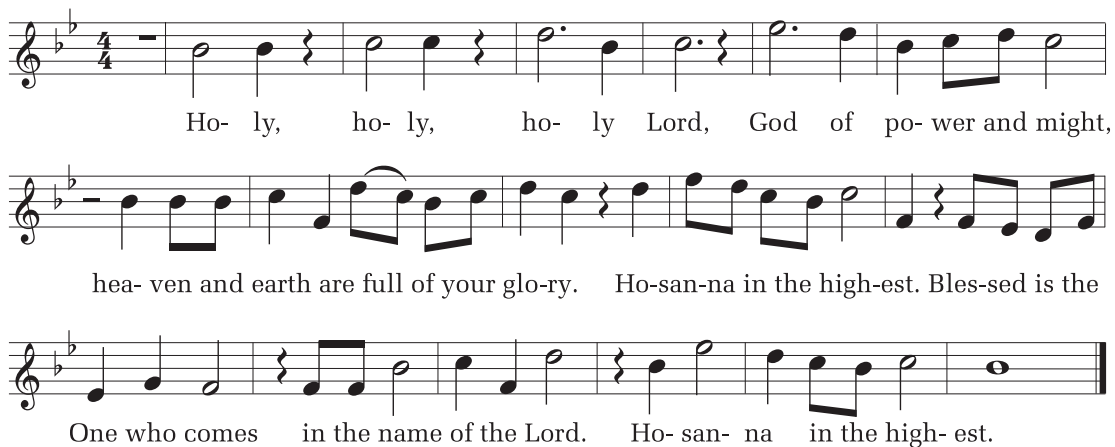
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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** "Ubi caritas" *Jacques Berthier*  
Where charity and love are found, God himself is there.

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

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that  
we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 428** "We Give Thee but Thine Own" *Tune: SCHUMANN*

**BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** Prelude to a Te Deum *Marc-Antoine Charpentier*

# **Lent**

## **at Fourth Presbyterian Church**

### **Lenten Devotions**

Written by Fourth Church members and staff, daily Lenten devotions are available by email (send addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), on the website [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org), and in a printed booklet available in the literature racks.

### **Lenten Book Study**

*12:30 p.m. in the Manse*

Hosted by ThirtiesForties, this seven-week study focuses on *Lent: The Sunday Readings*. Copies of the book are available in Coffee Hour.

### **Wednesday Midweek Lenten Services**

Each Wednesday in Lent, members and friends are invited to a time of worship held in Blair Chapel at 6:30 p.m.

### **Lenten Retreat**

*Friday evening and Saturday morning*

*March 27–28 in Anderson Hall*

Stephanie Paulsell will lead participants in an exploration of the biblical book Song of Songs. Details and registration forms are available in the literature racks.

### **Lenten Taizé Service**

*Friday, March 27*

*7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel*

### **Lenten Labyrinth Walk**

*Saturday, March 28*

*Between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall*

The walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

**WORSHIP LEADERS** Joann H. Lee, Thomas C. Rook, Alice M. Trowbridge

**THE MUSIC TODAY** The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, alto soloist  
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

**The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support the work of the Chicago Lights Tutoring Program and Elam Davies Social Service Center, the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, use the envelopes in the pew racks or write “Lenten Offering” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

**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)

**The Fourth Church website**, [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org), makes available audio of the previous Sunday morning’s 9:30 a.m. worship service, including the sermon. Also posted on the website is the text of all worship bulletins and “News and Opportunities” as well as information about upcoming worship services.

**The unfolding flower growing out of a crown of thorns**, shown on this week’s bulletin cover, provides an apt metaphor for the new life arising from Christ’s death and resurrection. It is carved into the underside of the octagonal sounding board over the Fourth Church pulpit.

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