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4:00 Order of Worship 6.14.09



Gathering Music

How Fair and Pleasant Art Thou

Marcel Dupré

Sonata III in F Major

George Frideric Handel

We invite you to complete the prayer card found in this worship bulletin and to place it in the plate during the sharing of gifts. Information about the prayer cards is printed on the outside back cover of the bulletin.

Welcome

Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical limitation, educational background, or economic situation.

Call to Worship

Leader: We meet in the name of God, creator of the universe, source of true humanity, mother and father of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: We meet in the name of Jesus, Word made flesh, savior of fallen humanity, lover of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life, midwife of new humanity, inspirer of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: Come then, eternal God.

People: **Be present here; befriend us here; renew us here.**

* Stand as you are able

***Song of Praise** “Womb of Life”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Good and gracious God, you made us in your image—
male and female, we were all created in your image.
You gave us minds to know you, hearts to love you,
and wills to serve you. Yet our knowledge is imperfect,
our love inconsistent, our obedience incomplete.
Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.
Day by day, we distort your image within us.
In your mercy and grace, forgive us and recreate us
in the image of your love.**

Silence

Kyrie (*sung two times*)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

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

Passing of the Peace

Leader: As God’s forgiven people, let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

***Gloria** (*sung three times*)

Psalter Psalm 34

(the congregation sings the refrain; verses sung by soloist)

Poetry Reading

“Rublev” by Rowan Williams

Scripture Lesson Genesis 1:26–28 (page 1, O.T.)

Sermon by John W. Vest

“The Strangeness of Estrangement”

Silence

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.

Anthem “Hitotsubu no” Ushio Takahashi

When a grain of wheat into the ground has fallen, into the cold ground,
and lies in waiting for the spring, this fallen grain will rise to life.

***Doxology**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The 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.**

Sanctus

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.

The Communion

"Lamb of God"

"Ubi Caritas" (*Where charity and love dwell, God is there*)

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God of all creation, you have put Christ's life into our hands;
now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us,
and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be,
through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.**



Sending

***Sending Song** "As We Gather at Your Table"

***Benediction**

Sending Music Voluntary in D Major *William Mathias*

A note on inclusive language

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God will be named corporately in a variety of ways that are gender neutral. This allows for your personal expressions as you are led to name the Holy in ways meaningful to you.

Worship Leaders

John W. Vest Associate Pastor

Jocelyn C. Cadwallader Pastoral Resident

Arlene Raine Lay Liturgist

The Chamber Choir

Carol Carpenter Soloist

Carling Hank Violinist

Thomas E. Gouwens Associate Organist

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The work of art featured in this service is a restoration of the icon known as "Trinity," written by Russian painter Andrei Rublev in the early fifteenth century. It is based on the story of Abraham's visitors in Genesis 18 but is often interpreted as an icon of the Trinity.

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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).

News and Opportunities

Worship

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff in Stone Chapel for this opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

A service in the style of Taizé is held on the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. This service brings together meditative songs, prayers, and scripture, offering an opportunity to pause for reflection at the end of the week. The next service will be Friday, June 26.

A meditative labyrinth walk is offered between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. prior to the Taizé services. The walk, which takes about twenty minutes, is offered in Anderson Hall.

Sunday morning worship services are held at 8:00 (Communion) and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Children, Youth, and Family

Summer Sunday School for preschoolers through fifth graders meets at 9:30 a.m. There is expanded nursery care for infants through kindergartners during the 11:00 a.m. service.

Fourth Church youth do not have regular gatherings on Sunday mornings during the summer.

Vacation Bible School for preschoolers through fifth graders will take place August 17–21 this year. Application forms are available in Westminster House. Space is limited and will fill quickly. Youth are needed to serve as crew leaders. For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at the church at 312.640.2578 (mscanlan@fourthchurch.org).

News and Resources

The Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org, makes available audio (including podcasts) of the 11:00 a.m. services; sermon transcripts from all worship services; the text of worship bulletins and “News and Opportunities”; devotional resources; and programming information.

For a preview of next Sunday’s worship and for news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending email addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

“Meeting the Challenge” is an invitation to all members and friends to consider increasing their pledge, pledge for the first time, or make an additional gift to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights so that we might meet the increased need for services and outreach in these difficult days. To help meet the challenge, please complete the response card in the pew racks, visit www.fourthchurch.org/2009challenge.html, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3360 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For information about available resources, contact Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org), call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a “Fourth Church Cares” card from the literature racks.

Music and the Arts

The Lake Effect Piano Quartet will perform this Friday’s free weekly Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Mission and Outreach

The Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk will be held next Saturday, June 20. All of the funds raised by Fourth Church members and friends will be used to purchase food for the Sunday and Monday Night Suppers and for the Elam Davies Social Service Center's food pantry and bag-lunch programs. For information about how to support this walk by walking, pledging, or making a donation, visit www.fourthchurch.org or contact Kathleen McKenzie, Director of the Social Service Center, at 312.981.3569 (kmckenzie@fourthchurch.org).

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden is open Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Tuesdays through Fridays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

The Holiday Card Committee is in need of volunteers to help plan and implement marketing strategies for these student-made cards, which raise funds for the Chicago Lights Tutoring Program. For details, contact Allison Graham at 312.981.3596 (agraham@fourthchurch.org).

Enrichment

Bible Study opportunities offered weekly:
John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details and to RSVP, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

Daily devotions written by Fourth Church staff are available in the literature racks, by email from devotions@fourthchurch.org, and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

A variety of programs for those sixty and over are offered by the Chicago Lights Center for Life and Learning (CLL). For details, contact the CLL office at 312.981.3387 (cll@fourthchurch.org).

Fellowship

The annual all-church picnic at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Avenue, between Hudson and Cleveland) will take place on Saturday, June 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All are invited. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Young adult volleyball takes place every Monday at Oak Street Beach beginning at 6:00 p.m. For more information about young adult opportunities at Fourth Church, visit www.fourthchurch.org/youngadults.html or contact Liz Nickerson at enickerson@fourthchurch.org.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Ushers, readers, and musicians to help with 4:00 p.m. worship

Saturday bread-cutters for 8:00 a.m. Sunday Communion (on a rotating schedule)

Community Supper volunteers to help with beverage pouring, tablecloth washing, and chair stacking

Tutors, artists, field-trip chaperones, and meal servers to help with Summer Day, a program for 1st through 8th graders, June 22–July 31

Volunteer to assist a Presbyterian AIDS clinic with grant writing and marketing

Tennis coaches and assistants for Fourth Church's youth tennis camp, Monday through Wednesday evenings, June 24–July 22

All-church picnic volunteers to set up, greet, serve, and teach crafts on Saturday, June 27; shifts are available from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

During Today's Worship

All are encouraged to use the prayer card, found in this worship bulletin, to offer joys and/or concerns. The cards will be collected during the Sharing of Gifts (simply place the card in the offering plate as it is passed). The prayers will then be incorporated into this afternoon's Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer you would rather not share during worship, you are invited to complete a prayer card found by one of the prayer boxes in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary, and it will be passed on to Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care.

All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table this afternoon to receive Communion, which 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 nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission

Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for
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Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Pastoral Resident

Sarah A. Johnson, Pastoral Resident

Joann H. Lee, Pastoral Resident

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 join us for a community supper following this time of worship. A meal will be served in Anderson Hall, which is through the doors to your left as you face the front of the sanctuary. We welcome this opportunity to break bread together and share in fellowship with friends and neighbors.

The large banners hanging in the middle of the Sanctuary will be incorporated in the visual arts program for those attending 4:00 worship. In the coming weeks, liturgical artists and worshipers at the 4:00 service will fill the blank canvases with artistic representations of our worship experience.

Large-print Bibles 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. 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. There is also a play area available in the side aisle. Worship bags, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall.

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 the community meal or the Loggia (through the doors to your left as you face the front of the sanctuary) after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Streets) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets must be picked up from

the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted parking at the John Hancock garage.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Saturday, June 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, June 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, July 13 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information about membership, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).