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4:00 Order of Worship 10.25.09

Gathering

Gathering Music

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: Sing to the Lord a new song.

People: **Sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, praise God's name.

People: **Proclaim God's salvation day after day.**

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: **Worship the Lord with gladness; come before God with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is God who made us and we are God's people.

People: **The Lord is good and God's love endures forever.**

All: **Let us lift our hearts to God in joyful praise.**

***Song of Praise** “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

Rick Founds

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.
The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.
Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.
Hear us now as we lift to you our silent prayers of confession . . .**

Silence

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.

***Music** “Running Back to You”

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Lesson Luke 14:15–24 (page 72, N.T.)

Sermon by John W. Vest
 You Say You Want a Revolution

***Song of Reflection** “Don’t Pass Me By” *Fred Hammond*

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

***Music** “Give Thanks” *Don Moen*
 “O, Give Thanks” *J. C. McCallister*

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!**

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.

Music "I Am Redeemed" *Jessy Dixon*

Prayer after Communion *(unison)*

Gracious God, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us; expect much from us; enable much by us; encourage many through us. May we live to your glory as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

Sending

Sending Song "Lord, You Are Good" *Israel Houghton*

Benediction

Sending Music

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
Victoria G. Curtiss	Associate Pastor
Kerry Grady	Liturgist
Erick Townsend and Ensemble	
John W. W. Sherer	Organist and Director of Music

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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

News and Resources

Today is Commitment Sunday, the day when members and friends are encouraged to turn in their response cards for the 2010 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights—"Called to Be a Church Alive." Those who have not yet completed a 2010 giving response card are invited to do so this afternoon. Giving response cards are available in the pew and literature racks and wherever "Church Alive" stands are found. For details or to donate online, visit www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html.

We are deeply grateful to all who participated in "Meeting the Challenge" and the 2009 Annual Appeal for Chicago Lights and Fourth Church. To date, we have received \$4,793,979, from 1,531 households, toward our \$5.1 million goal, including \$411,500 in response to the challenge effort.

Extra hand sanitizer is available throughout the church during this flu season.

Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday. Be sure to set your clocks back for Sunday, November 1.

The Fourth Church community will mark the one-year anniversary of Dana Ferguson's death when it celebrates All Saints' Sunday on November 1. During morning worship that day, the first Ferguson Fellows will be announced, and they will be honored during a special Coffee Hour following the 11:00 service. In addition, on Thursday evening, November 19, there will be an event celebrating the life and ministry of Dana, at which time there will be further opportunity to meet and congratulate the Fellows. Proceeds from that event will support the Ferguson Fellows program. For more details, contact Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380.

A portion of the sidewalk on Chestnut Street will be closed until the end of the month while gas line repairs are made.

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For more information, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. The one-year anniversary of Dana Ferguson's death, October 27, will be remembered during Morning Prayer Tuesday. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel.

An All Saints' labyrinth walk will be held Saturday, October 31 in Anderson Hall. The walk, which takes approximately twenty minutes, will be available between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring a photo of a loved one who has died and walk in that person's memory.

All Saints' Day is Sunday, November 1, 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 all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2009 will be read during morning worship. At the 4:00 service, the Morning Choir will sing *Lux Aeterna* by Morten Lauridsen.

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

Enrichment

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Adult education courses, sponsored by the Academy for Faith and Life, take place Sunday mornings. “The Bible and Our Culture” meets in Anderson Hall S. Balcony and “The Five Love Languages” meets in Anderson Hall N. Balcony A at 9:30 a.m. “A Family Rooted in Vibrant Faith” meets in Anderson Hall N. Balcony B and “All Kinds of Prayer for All Kinds of People” meets in Anderson Hall N. Balcony A at 11:00 a.m. Course details are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

A grief support group, led by John Boyle and staff from the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, will meet on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Center, beginning October 26. For details or to register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

Preventing and detecting breast cancer will be the topic of a wellness discussion led by JoAnn Gruca on Tuesday, October 27 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room; participants are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch for a time of fellowship at 11:30 a.m.

The Community Book Group will meet Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss *Watchmen* by Alan Moore.

“Religion and Violence” will be the topic of lectures by Rita Nakashima Brock and Thomas R. Mockaitis on Thursday, October 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary as part of McCormick Theological Seminary’s annual McCormick Days.

Books by Women will meet Tuesday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday school classes for children meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Church youth meet each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.; Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) meets in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow’s Nest.

A new evening moms’ group will meet on the first Tuesday of the month, beginning November 3. For more information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

The Smorgasbord of Schools will be held Sunday, November 1 from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Dining Room. Families are invited to stop by and learn about the various elementary schools in Chicago.

Music and the Arts

Fourth Church Organist and Director of Music John W. W. Sherer will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert in the sanctuary.

The Newberry Consort will be in concert at Fourth Church on Friday, October 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available by calling 312.255.3610 or visiting www.newberry.org.

Chanticleer will perform their annual Christmas concerts at Fourth Church on Monday, December 7 and Tuesday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary (please note the earlier start time). Tickets, which sell out quickly, are available through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (www.cso.org; 312.294.3000).

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 to receive Communion, which is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available in the paper "cup" within the basket of 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
Adult Education and Worship
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

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

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 were created by liturgical artist Shawna Bowman during the 4:00 worship service and are 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. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome.

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.

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 afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, November 2 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, November 22 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).