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4:00 Order of Worship 01.10.10

## Gathering

### Gathering Music

Canon  
Träumerei  
Adagio from *Sonata Pathétique*

*Johann Pachelbel*  
*Robert Schumann*  
*Ludwig van Beethoven*

*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 (from Psalm 29)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name;

People: **worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

People: **the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful;

People: **the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

**\*Song of Praise**      “Crashing Waters at Creation”

**Prayer of Confession**

*Each petition will be followed by a moment of silence  
and the following response:*

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

**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.*

**\*Song of Thanks**      “We Know That Christ Is Raised”



## Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson**                      Isaiah 43:1–7                                      (page 631, O.T.)

**Second Lesson**                      Matthew 3:13–17                                      (page 3, N.T.)

**Sermon** by John W. Vest

The Scandal of Jesus’ Baptism

# Sealing the Word

## Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

### Profession of Faith

Minister: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

People: **I do.**

Minister: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

People: **I do.**

Minister: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

### Apostles' Creed

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.

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### Sharing of Gifts

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

**Offertory Anthem** "At the River"

*Aaron Copland*

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angels' feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God? Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

**\*Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**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**

**Communion Music** “Down to the River to Pray”

*American folk song  
arr. Robert Lee*

As I went down to the river to pray, studying about that good old way and  
who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way. O sisters,  
let’s go down to the river to pray. O brothers, let’s go down to the river to pray.  
O fathers, let’s go down to the river to pray. O mothers, let’s go down to the river  
to pray. O sinners, let’s go down to the river to pray.

**Prayer after Communion** (*unison*)

**Gracious God, you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
You have fed us with the bread of life  
and renewed us for your service.  
Help us who have shared Christ’s body  
and received his cup to be his 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.**



## Sending

**\*Sending Song** “Baptized in Water”

**\*Benediction**

**Sending Music** Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word *Piet Post*

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### **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**

<b>John W. Vest</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Victoria G. Curtiss</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Janet S. Reed</b>	Liturgist
<b>Fourth at Four Ensemble</b>	
<b>The Chamber Choir</b>	
<b>John W. W. Sherer</b>	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](mailto:atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org)).

# News and Opportunities

## Mission and Outreach

**In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day,** members of the Fourth Church community are invited to participate in service projects on Saturday, January 16 as part of a citywide volunteer effort coordinated by Chicago Cares or on Monday, January 18 as part of a Fourth-Church coordinated day of volunteering. The registration deadline is Monday, January 11. Sign up online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org) or by contacting Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 ([lnicholson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lnicholson@fourthchurch.org)).

**“Blood Diamonds in Zimbabwe,”** a presentation by Human Rights Watch and hosted by the Mission Committee, will take place on Tuesday, January 19 at 5:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**An update on death penalty issues** will be presented on Sunday, January 31 at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room. A documentary will be shown at the luncheon and the Executive Director of the Illinois Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty, Jeremy Shroeder will speak. For more information or to RSVP, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

**Those interested in the mission trip to Tanzania and Kenya (June 18–July 1)** are encouraged to turn in applications well before the February 1 deadline as spots for this trip are limited. Applications for the **April 26–May 2 mission trip to New Orleans** are also due February 1. Details about these and other Fourth Church trips are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html).

**Save the date! Carnival, the 2010 Mission Benefit,** will be held on Friday, March 5 at the Ritz-Carlton. To learn more about this annual event supporting the programs of Chicago Lights, the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, and other mission partners of Fourth Church or for details about how to be a Mission Benefit sponsor, contact Allison Graham in the Chicago Lights office at 312.981.3596.

## Worship

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sunday mornings. Individuals can 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 weekdays at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel and offers opportunity to pray for those in need.

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

**A prayer service in the style of Taizé** is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service will be Friday, January 22.

## Volunteers and Donations

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Workers to help local agencies** on January 16 or 18 to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.  
**Instrumentalists and Chamber Choir singers** to assist in leading 4:00 p.m. worship  
**Reading and math tutors** for elementary children at two Cabrini-Green schools

### *Current Donation Needs*

**Men’s seasonal sturdy clothes** in larger sizes, especially pants, belts, and shoes  
**Toiletries**—including soap, shampoo, deodorant—for guests of the Social Service Center  
**Greeting cards and stamps** for Sunday and Monday Night Supper guests

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

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## 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.

**Live webcasts of noontime lectures from Calvin College's award-winning January Series** are being shown weekdays at Fourth Church through January 26 (except January 18) at 11:30 a.m. and are being hosted by the Academy for Faith and Life. This week's topics include "Democracy and the Internet" by Jimmy Wales, founder of Wikipedia; North Korea; Cairo; worship and culture; and transformation in prison. A full list of lecture titles is available online at [www.calvin.edu/january/2010](http://www.calvin.edu/january/2010).

**The Fourth Church educational trip to Egypt**, led by Adam Fronczek and Sarah Johnson, departs today. To follow periodic updates from the travelers, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/egypt.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/egypt.html).

**Yoga classes**, hosted by the Young Adults, are held Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Crow's Nest through February 9. All levels and ages are welcome. For details or to register, email [yoga@fourthchurch.org](mailto:yoga@fourthchurch.org).

**The Winter Open House of the Center for Life and Learning** will be held Wednesday, January 20 at the Prizker Military Library. Reservations are required for this free event, which is open to those sixty and over. For details or to RSVP, stop by the CLL front desk or call Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

**The Family-to-Family Education Program** is a twelve-week course for families and friends of adults living with mental illness. The first session is Monday, January 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Registration for this free course is required; call the Family-to-Family Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 375.

## Fellowship

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. The winter retreat for Young Adults will be held the weekend of February 5–7; for details, contact Liz Nickerson, Director of Young Adult Ministry, at 312.573.3366 ([enickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:enickerson@fourthchurch.org)).

**India will be the topic of a January 15 gathering of Cornerstones**, a fellowship group for adults over fifty, including couples, partners, and their spouses. Jay Kesan, a native Indian, will speak, and Indian cuisine will be served. For information or to RSVP, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

**The ThirtiesForties "Living in the Enlightened Spirit"** discussion group meets Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room. Participants view and discuss short films from Rob Bell's NOOMA series. Next Sunday's meeting, the second in a three-part series, will focus on guilt, forgiveness, and unconditional love.

**The Community Book Group** will meet Tuesday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss *Abraham: A Journey to the Heart of Three Faiths* by Bruce Feiler. Joyce Shin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life, will lead the conversation.

**"Seasons of Friendship"** is the theme of the Fourth Church women's retreat, which will be held the weekend of January 22–23 and led by Vicky Curtiss. For information, pick up a brochure, which can be found in the literature racks, or contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**Books by Women** will meet Tuesday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse to discuss *206 Bones* by Kathy Reichs. All are welcome.



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**The Near North Ministry Alliance**, of which Fourth Church is a partner, is highlighting the opportunity for temporary, part-time employment with the U.S. Census Bureau as it conducts the 2010 Census. Information is available at 1.866.861.2010 ([www.2010censusjobs.gov](http://www.2010censusjobs.gov)). Some applicant testing sessions are being held at Fourth Church.

**Inquirers' Class** offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which will next meet this Saturday, January 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

**A congregational dinner, "Happenings: Then and Now,"** will be hosted by the Congregational Life Committee on Sunday, February 21 in Anderson Hall following the noontime Annual Meeting of the congregation. All are invited to this time of intergenerational fellowship.

**Fourth Presbyterian Church**, a member congregation of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, is committed to being a fully inclusive community. To learn more about Covenant Network, visit [www.covenantnetwork.org](http://www.covenantnetwork.org).

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

**For a preview of next Sunday's worship and news from Fourth Church,** subscribe to the weekly email newsletter [News@FourthChurch](mailto:News@FourthChurch) by sending email addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto:news@fourthchurch.org).

## 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.

**Family "Drive-in" Movie Night** will be held Friday, January 15 in Anderson Hall. Families with small children are invited to arrive at 5:30 p.m. and families with older children can come at 6:15 p.m. Children are encouraged to decorate a box as a car that they can sit in and bring it with them to the showing. For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

**Elevation** will hold their winter retreat the weekend of January 29. For details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364. ([abright@fourthchurch.org](mailto:abright@fourthchurch.org)).

## Music and the Arts

**Organist Joan Holder McConnell** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**The St. Olaf Choir** will perform at Fourth Church on Saturday, January 30 at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For ticket information, visit [www.stolaftickets.com](http://www.stolaftickets.com).

**Those who would like to receive *Music Notes*,** a weekly email newsletter about concerts at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to [music@fourthchurch.org](mailto:music@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** 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

**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.

**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. There is also an area in the side aisle where your child can play quietly.

**Worship folders**, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from an usher.

**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 afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

**Inquirers' Class** explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Saturday, January 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.; Sunday, January 24 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, February 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 ([lloving@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lloving@fourthchurch.org)).