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4:00 Order of Worship 03.07.10



Gathering

Gathering Music Sonata 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.

***Song** "How Majestic Is Your Name"

***Song** "As the Deer"

Litany of Penitence

Leader: Almighty God, from lack of reverence for truth and beauty;
from calculating or sentimental mind;
from going along with mean and ugly things;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From cowardice that dares not face truth;
laziness content with half-truth;
or arrogance that thinks we know it all;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From artificial life and worship;
from all that is hollow and insincere;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From trite ideals and cheap pleasures;
from mistaking hard vulgarity for humor;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From being dull, pompous, or rude;
from putting down our neighbors;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From cynicism about others;
from intolerance or cruel indifference;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From being satisfied with things as they are, in the church or in the world;
from failing to share your indignation about injustice;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From selfishness, self-indulgence, or self pity,

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: From token concern for the poor,
for lonely and loveless people;
from confusing faith with feeling, or love with wanting to be loved;

People: **deliver us, O God.**

Leader: For everything in us that may hide your light,

People: **O God, Light of life, forgive us. Amen.**

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

Scripture Lesson

Luke 13:1–9

(page 71, N.T.)

Galatians 5:22–23

(page 179, N.T.)

Sermon by Sarah A. Johnson

Signs of the Kingdom: Bearing Fruit

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Anthem "If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee"

*Georg Neumark
arr. Jody W. Lindh*

If thou but suffer God to guide thee, and hope in God through all thy ways,
God give thee strength, whatever betide thee, and bear thee through the
evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that naught
can move. Only be still and wait God's leisure in cheerful hope with heart
content to take whatever thy Father's pleasure and all discerning love hath sent,
nor doubt our inmost wants are known to God who chose us for his own.
Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving in all thy labor faithful be,
and trust God's word; though undeserving, thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusts in God indeed.

***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 “Have Mercy upon Me, O God”

Thomas Tomkins

Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness and according to the multitude of thy mercies. Do away mine offenses.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God of grace,
you have welcomed us into your presence
and filled us with your Spirit
through water, word, bread, and cup.
Send us now into the world
to be agents of your reconciling love,
drawing ever closer to you
and loving our neighbors as you love us all.
Amen.**

Sending

***Sending Song** “Though I May Speak”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Let All Together Praise Our God

Nikolaus Vetter

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

Sarah A. Johnson Pastoral Resident

John W. Vest Associate Pastor

Fourth at Four Ensemble

The Chamber Choir

Thomas E. Gouwens Associate Organist

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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 Sarah Johnson, member of the pastoral staff at 312.981.4034 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

The Benevolent Guild will gather this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room to create tray favors and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

Cuba mission trip participants, who will spend nine days with First Presbyterian Church in Havana, leave this Friday, March 12. Please keep these travelers and members of our sister congregation in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Mission trip applications for Urban Regeneration: Chicago (April 30–May 1) are due Monday, March 15; applications for the **Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations trip** (June 21–26) are due Monday, April 5; and Monday, March 29 is the deadline for the July 30–August 9 **trip to Honduras**. For information, visit the literature racks or www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html or contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

News and Resources

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 14. Be sure to set clocks ahead an hour.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

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.

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.

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

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Entrepreneurs to talk with Tutoring youth on March 22 or 23

Substitute tutors for the Tutoring Program; Monday–Thursday evenings

Reading and math tutors for children at two Cabrini-Green elementary schools

Current Donation Needs

Shaving cream, toothpaste, men's and women's underwear (sizes L–XL), for guests of the Social Service Center

Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill; a list of items and sizes is available by contacting Larry Nicholson

Men's seasonal sturdy clothes in larger sizes (pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

Greeting cards, stamps, envelopes 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).

News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Weekly Monday evening yoga is held at 6:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest. All ages and levels are welcome. For details, email yoga@fourthchurch.org.

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

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

An eight-session T'ai Chi course for beginners

will start Thursday, March 11 at 5:00 p.m. For information or to register, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

"Integrity in Business," a weekday Academy for Faith and Life course

led by Joyce Shin and clinical psychologist Leslie Pratch, will continue with its final session this Thursday, March 11 at 7:30 a.m. at 300 N. LaSalle St. Registration and a \$10 registration fee are required for this class, which includes a light breakfast. To register, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

Academy for Faith and Life adult education classes are held Sunday mornings:

- **"Presbyterianism and Catholicism,"** led by Fred Holper, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"Love, Bible Style: Exploring the Song of Songs,"** taught by John Vest, meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room
- **"Callings: Vocations and the Christian Life,"** taught by Adam Fronczek, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"The Qur'an,"** led by Omer Mozaffar, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A

For course descriptions or more details, pick up an Academy brochure, located in the literature racks, or visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

A "Book Swap" Party, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect,

will be held Saturday, March 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the Manse. Participants are invited to bring books to swap and a dessert to share. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, March 10.

"Sound Sleep Habits" will be the topic of a Tuesday, March 23 Center for Whole Health-sponsored talk led by gerontological nurse practitioner JoAnn Gruca at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

The Community Book Group will gather Tuesday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss *Zeitoun* by Dave Eggers.

Books by Women will discuss *Second Blooming for Women: Growing a Life that Matters after Fifty* by Kathleen Vestal Logan and Betsy Smith on Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Co-author Kathleen Vestal Logan will join in the April discussion.

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. For more information about Youth Ministry at Fourth Church, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

The March 19 Family Night will feature Scottish Highland dancers. Families with younger children are invited to arrive at 5:30 p.m.; families with older children are invited to arrive at 6:15 p.m. Contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 (mscanlan@fourthchurch.org) for details.

News and Opportunities

Lent

Reservations for the Holy Week retreat of quiet prayer and reflection, which will be held April 2–3, are due this Thursday, March 11 and can be made by contacting Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org). Details are available in the brochures in the literature racks.

A Lenten book study, hosted by the ThirtiesForties fellowship group, meets on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse and focuses on *Lent and Easter Wisdom* by Henri Nouwen. All are welcome.

An Interfaith Passover Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will be held Tuesday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are available at the Fourth Church reception desk during the week and during Sunday Coffee Hour.

Memorialize or honor loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those remembered and honored will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. (Donations must be received by *Friday, March 26* in order for names to appear in the bulletin.) Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or by calling Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381 (wcarter@fourthchurch.org).

Daily Lenten devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available in the church literature racks, by email (simply send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org), and at www.fourthchurch.org.

Easter Brunch will take place on Sunday, April 4 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Beginning Sunday, March 14, tickets will be available during morning Coffee Hour and at the reception desk.

Music and the Arts

“Fourth Church Artists Shine Their Light in the City” is on exhibition in the Loggia and Gallery and features artwork by members.

Organist Adam Brakel will be the featured artist at this Friday’s Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Newberry Consort will be in concert Friday, March 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.newberry.org or by calling 312.255.3610.

The Chicago Ensemble will perform at Fourth Church Tuesday, March 23. Tickets for their 7:30 p.m. performance are available by calling 773.889.4206 or visiting www.thechicagoensemble.org.

Fellowship

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets on Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. This Thursday, March 11, the Young Adults will gather for **Games Night** at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. For more details, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org)

Fourth Dimension will gather on Friday, March 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a talk about the great pilgrimage churches of medieval Europe. To preregister (required), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 10.

“America in God’s World” is the topic of this Saturday’s Men’s Group breakfast meeting at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP, call 312.787.4570 before 12:00 noon on Friday, March 12.

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 Sarah Johnson of the pastoral staff.

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.

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/sermons.html.

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.

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