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4:00 Order of Worship 03.21.10

Gathering

Gathering Music Prelude in B-flat Major

Nikolaus Vetter

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: Come from wandering; come into worship! Come with your longings, your questions, and fears! In the wilderness, remember: God is here!

People: **In God's presence, we find the community we seek.**

Leader: God, you call us through your Spirit that we may gather in celebration of the new community.

People: **Open our hearts that we may feel acceptance and respect for our differences.**

Leader: We are all different, and yet we share a yearning that touches us and compels us to join together in unity with one another.

People: **Open our minds that we may learn from one another and use our knowledge to bridge gaps and build a community of faith for all.**

Leader: The table is set; the community is gathered. Come! Let us worship God!

***Song** “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Eternal God, in whom we live
and move and have our being,
your face is hidden from us by our sins,
and we forget your mercy
in the blindness of our hearts.
Cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us
from proud thoughts and vain desires.
With lowliness and meekness
may we draw near to you,
confessing our faults,
confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your child.
Amen.**

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.

***Song** “My Song Is Love Unknown”

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Reading

“When the Roses Speak, I Pay Attention”
by Mary Oliver

Scripture Lesson

John 12:1–8

(page 100, N.T.)

Sermon by Jocelyn C. Cadwallader
Pure Nard

Silence

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Anthem

“To Thee, O Lord, Do I Lift Up My Soul”

Sergei Rachmaninoff

To thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. My God, I trust in thee.

*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!**

Minister: . . . Therefore, we lift our hearts in joyful praise, joining our voices with the choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus

Prayers of the People

Minister: . . . and with the confidence of the children of God,
we pray in our language and tradition most familiar:

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 "The Word Made Flesh"

Dave Brubeck

The Word made flesh transforms bread into flesh by his own word!
Wine becomes the blood of Christ! And though our senses fail,
faith alone suffices and strengthens the pure in heart.

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. We give ourselves to you and ask that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom. May our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world; in Christ we pray. Amen.



Sending

***Sending Song** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

***Benediction**

Sending Music Fugue in B-flat Major *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

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Victoria G. Curtiss 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

Lent and Easter

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 the church at 312.981.3381.

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

A Lenten Taizé service will be held Friday, March 26. Prior to that service, a Lenten labyrinth walk will be available from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

On Palm Sunday, March 28, worship services will be held at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Easter Brunch will take place on Sunday, April 4 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available at the reception desk during the week.

During Holy Week, March 29–April 2, worship services will be held each day at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary, with a lunch following in Anderson Hall. On Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, there will also be services at 7:30 p.m.

An Easter Vigil will be held on Holy Saturday, April 3 at 10:30 p.m. starting in the Garth and ending in the sanctuary as Easter arrives at midnight.

On Easter Sunday, April 4, a 6:30 a.m. sunrise service will be held at Oak Street Beach; Easter worship at Fourth Church will be held at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m., and 4:00 p.m. Please keep in mind that sanctuary seating fills early and also be prepared for possibly delays in entering and exiting parking garages as a result of increased traffic.

Children, Youth, and Family

The Palm Sunday Processional of children and families will begin 9:30 and 11:30 worship next Sunday, March 28. Prior to those services, teachers will bring students from their Sunday School classrooms to the Loggia. Parents wishing to carry infants and toddlers during the processional are asked to meet in the Loggia 15 minutes before the service. Sunday School classes will begin after each processional.

A Good Friday Service for children and families will be held Friday, April 2 in Blair Chapel at 4:00 p.m., followed by supper at 5:00 p.m. in the Dining Room.

An Easter service for children four years of age through fifth grade will be held Sunday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster House. Children coming to this service should enter by the door on Delaware, next to the Whitehall Hotel.

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.

Fellowship

Cornerstones, a fellowship group for couples, spouses, and partners age fifty and over, will next meet Friday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse for a Good Friday supper; afterwards, they will attend the choral service at 7:30 p.m. For details or to RSVP, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

News and Opportunities

News and Resources

A Bequest Tea, sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning and led by Director of Individual and Planned Giving, Lisa Radetski, will be held this Thursday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details or to RSVP, contact Patricia Amis by Tuesday, March 23 at 312.981.3387.

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.

"Sound Sleep Habits" will be the topic of a presentation led by JoAnn Gruca this Tuesday, March 23 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.

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.

Three Nia "Splash Out" sessions will be held Saturdays, March 27, April 17, and May 8 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. **A twelve-week Nia course** begins Wednesday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. For details or to register, visit www.niachicago.com or call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

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. Coauthor Kathleen Logan will join in the April discussion.

Mission and Outreach

The Sewing and Knitting Workshop will meet this Tuesday, March 23 at 5:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

The Benevolent Guild will gather this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room to create toys and treats for children in hospitals and shelters.

Mission trip applications for the **Honduras trip** (July 28–August 8) are due Monday, March 29. The application deadline for the June 21–26 trip to **Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations** is Monday, April 5. Details and applications are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Women@Fourth Connect will observe Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month with a prayer service and press conference on Thursday, April 1 at 9:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Following the service, volunteers are needed to tie blue bows to the trees outside the cloisters. To sign up, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Individuals to tie blue bows Thursday, April 1; shifts are an hour long

Hosts to serve hot cider to guests waiting in line for 9:30 and 11:30 worship on Easter Sunday, April 4

Servers for Easter Brunch; 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (on Easter Sunday, April 4)

Entrepreneurs to talk with Tutoring youth on March 22 or 23

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

Substitute tutors for weeknight program

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 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
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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.

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.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, April 12 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, April 25 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).