

MORNING WORSHIP

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

PRELUDE Concerto in A Minor *Antonio Vivaldi*
[Allegro]—Adagio—Allegro *arr. Johann Sebastian Bach*

INTROIT “Lift Up Your Hearts” *George Thalben-Ball*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.

***DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION** (The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 457** “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art” *Tune: TOULON*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Almighty God,
we confess how hard it is to be your people.
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ
to our lonely and confused world.
Yet we acknowledge that
we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved,
callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient,
legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us
and forgive our sins.
Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift
of your indwelling Spirit.
This we pray in Jesus’ powerful name.
Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.

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

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO FOURTH GRADERS

(9:30)

**Stand as you are able.*

COMMISSIONING OF MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS

(11:00)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM “Alleluia” *Ralph Manuel*

PSALTER Psalm 148 (*responsively*) (page 550, O.T.)

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Revelation 21:1–6 (page 244, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON ADAM FRONCZEK

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“See, I am making all things new.” Revelation 21:5 (NRSV)

*HYMN 453 “O Holy City, Seen of John” *Tune: MORNING SONG*

*APOSTLES’ CREED (*unison*)

**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.**

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.**

PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen"

Richard Warner

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "And I Saw a New Heaven"

Edgar L. Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away, and there was no more sea. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with all, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND RESPONSE**

For the life that you have giv- en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of - fer, Lord, our prai-ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

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.**

All: **God of extravagant mercy,
with hands outstretched,
you have poured out wonder
and pleasure and delight,
goodness and beauty and bounty.
So take these offerings, we pray,
as our protest against all that is evil
and ugly and impoverished,
trivial and wretched and tyrannical,
in our world and in ourselves—
and thus may we and others
know ourselves to be blessed.
Amen.**

***HYMN 288**

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Tune: ELLACOMBE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

William Mathias

Mission Trips 2010

Mission trip participants will be commissioned during 11:00 worship. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Cuba ♦ March 12–20

Participants: Christina Buenger, Ray Casey, Vicky Curtiss, Edward Gourley, Sandra Gourley, Judith Kerch, Virginia Mullin, Rebecca Schuessler, Ashya Shaw, Annette Tomal, Stephanie Tomal

New Orleans ♦ April 26–May 2 and October 11–17

Participants: Joseph Aguanno, Jim Blanco, Charles Carl, Christina Carl, Lynn Gissler, Beth Truett Haagen, Allison Hutchinson, Kim McBride, Monica Moody, Joe Pixler, Lisa Radetski

Urban Regeneration: Chicago ♦ April 30–May 1

Participants: Alejandra Indacochea, Kerry Bathrick, Linda Bazarian, John Blaser, Marjorie Calvert, Anna Colliccoat, Erin Dalpini, Madeline Dow, Jennifer Ebie, John Farda, Carlos Ferreira, Alison Gerlach, Madelyn Happel, Delane Heldt, Mitchell Kingan, Elizabeth Kurman, Alane Landgraf, Susan Pearsall, Stanley Smith, Anne Stelle, Eran Wade

East Africa ♦ June 18–July 1

Participants: J.C. Cadwallader, Peg Griffiths, Deborah Hall, Marcie Hawley, Kristal Hoffman, Allison Hutchison, Allan Kayler, Meg O'Hara, Edna Schade, Flora Swearingen

Lakota Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations ♦ June 21–26

Participants: Greg Batton, Linda Gibboney, Ruth Mortensen, Vicki Reynolds, Jeanne Zasadil

Honduras ♦ July 28–August 8

Participants: Luke Beasley, Barbara Bobeldyk, Charles Bobeldyk, Christina Carl, Patricia Carl, Linda Cirillo, Mark Esposito, Jacquelyn Haroldson, Corella Payne, Lizanne Brickman Phalen, Susan Schemper, Thomas Schemper, Sonjia Wing

For information about participating in or supporting mission trips sponsored by Fourth Church, contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. John W. Vest, Sarah A. Johnson, Adam Fronczek

11:00 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Joann H. Lee, Adam Fronczek

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. The Morning Choir

11:00 a.m. The Morning Choir

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

WORSHIP NOTES

Offering gifts made using the envelopes in the pew racks support congregational programs, including worship and music, education and fellowship opportunities for children and adults, and mission and outreach programs.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. An afternoon Communion service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in Stone Chapel as a time to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need (9:30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday). A Taizé service is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on the fourth Friday of each month.

The Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org, makes available Sunday morning 11:00 a.m. sermons in text and various audio formats. Also posted on the website is the text of all worship bulletins and “News and Opportunities” as well as information about upcoming worship services.

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.

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