

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, program, and service life of Fourth Church.

During Today's Worship

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals 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 child needs care or becomes disruptive during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in the Nursery in the Page Smith Room. See an usher for directions.

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 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 Coffee Hour in the Loggia and the Garth tent after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the Hancock, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available on Sunday mornings only, at the rate of \$6.00 for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, March 27 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, April 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For membership information, contact Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).

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, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

MORNING WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Air from *Orchestral Suite No. 3*
Johann Sebastian Bach

INTROIT “Call to Remembrance, O Lord” *Richard Farrant*
Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and
thy loving-kindness, which hath been ever of old.
O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth,
but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord,
for thy goodness.

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

***HYMN 474** “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”
Tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Draw us in the Spirit’s tether this day,
gracious God,
on this second Sunday of Lent,
that we might feel the warmth of your love,
cleansing, forgiving, and making us whole.
For we are imperfect doers of justice;
we ration our acts of kindness;
we rarely know humility.
Transform us by your love
so that we would more fully live
the new life you call us into,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends, believe the good news.
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 121 (*sung*) (The Hymnal, 234)

ANTHEM

“Like as the Hart Desireth the Water Brooks”

Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, “Where is now thy God?”

FIRST LESSON

Philippians 2:1–11

(page 186, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

(The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON

John 3:1–17

(page 88, N.T.)

SERMON

CALUM I. MACLEOD

A Dilemma

“How can anyone be born after having grown old?”

John 3:4 (NRSV)

***HYMN 76**

“My Song Is Love UnKnown”

Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN

***APOSTLES’ CREED**

(unison)

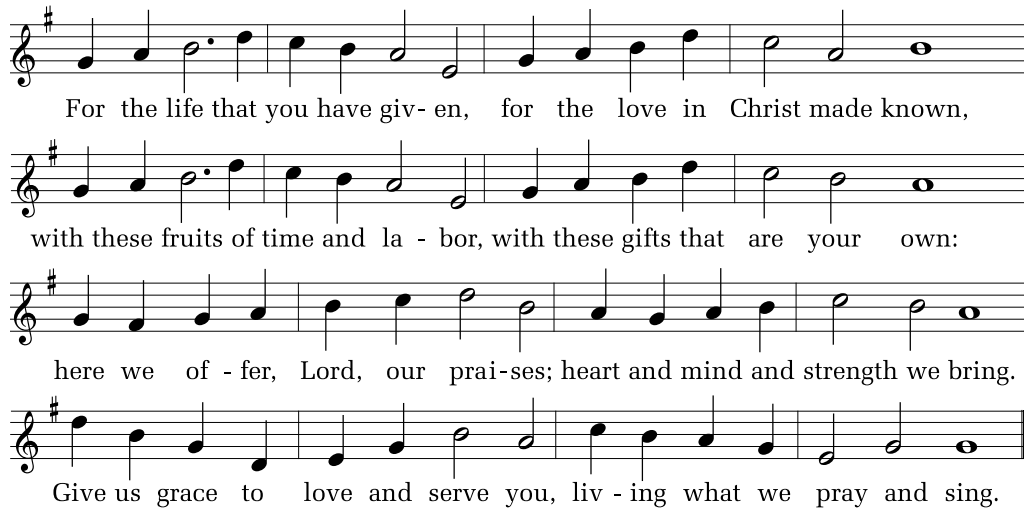
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO “Laudate Dominum” *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*
from *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore*

Praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise him, all ye peoples.
For his loving-kindness has been bestowed on us and
the truth of the Lord endures forever. Amen.

***OFFERTORY 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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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

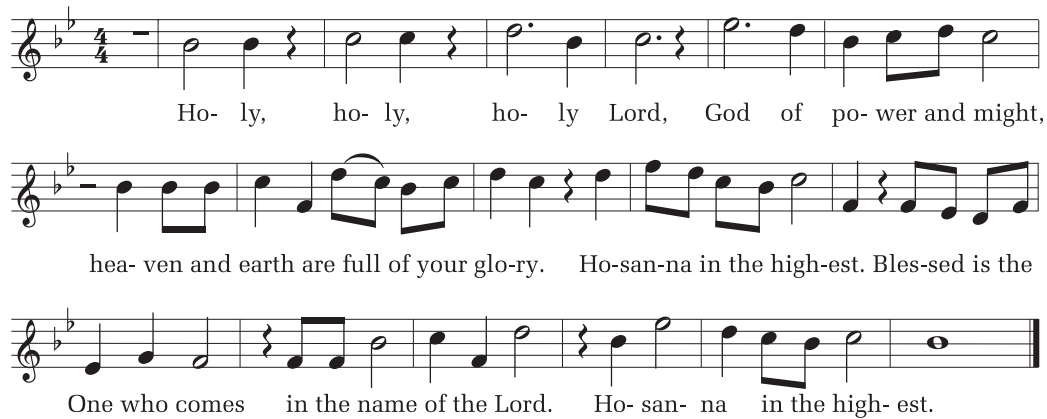
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

PRAYER

Minister: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high . . .
. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:



Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord, God of po- wer and might,
hea- ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is the
One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high- est.

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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 ANTHEM "Hide Not Thou Thy Face from Us, O Lord"

Richard Farrant

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure. For we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake, deliver us from all our sins.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

We give you thanks, gracious God,
for your presence in our midst,
through the Holy Spirit,
nourishing our bodies
with the good things of the earth,
strengthening our hearts
for the works of love you call us to.
Send us out from here to be your hands,
caring for the world;
your voice, shouting for justice;
your feet, bringing the good news of your love,
that the whole earth shall cry glory.
Amen.

***HYMN 422**

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

Tune: BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Prelude on a Gregorian Tune

Marcel Dupré

WORSHIP LEADERS

Kerri N. Allen, Matthew J. Helms, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Laura Perkett, soloist

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

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist and Handbell Director

WORSHIP NOTES

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is being received throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Elam Davies Social Service Center as well as the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or write “Lenten Offering” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

This morning, Communion is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread, which they will then dip into the chalice of grape juice. (Gluten-free bread is available in a small tumbler in each basket of bread.) Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles. The invitation to the Lord’s Supper is not just for Presbyterians or “members of the church.” All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord’s Supper. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) in order to be assured of God’s love and grace in Jesus Christ.

PASTORAL STAFF

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