

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 is provided in the Nursery in the Page Smith Room and for toddlers in the Second-Floor Conference 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 today 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 Elegy *James Biery*

INTROIT “His Eye Is on the Sparrow” *Charles Gabriel*
Why should I feel discouraged;
why should the shadows come;
why should my heart be lonely
and long for heaven and home
when Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is he;
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.
I sing because I’m happy;
I sing because I’m free.

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

***HYMN 288** “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” *Tune: ELLACOMBE*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of mercy,
you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.
We confess that we have strayed from you
and turned aside from your way.
We are misled by pride,
for we see ourselves pure when we are stained
and great when we are small.
We have failed in love,
neglected justice,
and ignored your truth.
Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.
Return us to paths of righteousness
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PSALTER Psalm 96 (*responsively*) (page 520, O.T.)

ANTHEM “Dixit Dominus” *Domenico Zipoli*
Thus says the Lord, “I will defend the righteous,
who at my right hand subdue their foes
and withstand all their wicked threats.”
God shall send forth from Zion’s hill
a mighty scepter to their throne,
that they who rule in righteousness
shall never face their foes alone.
How great is the power of God to bless;
heaven’s richest gifts on us to pour.
God’s wrath may shatter disbelief,
but faith is ours forever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Exodus 17:1–7 (page 61, O.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI** (The Hymnal, 579)

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:1–11 (page 145, N.T.)

SERMON JOYCE SHIN

From Burden to Blessing

*“Suffering produces endurance, and endurance
produces character, and character produces hope,
and hope does not disappoint us.”*

Romans 5:3–4 (NRSV)

***HYMN 278** “Our God, to Whom We Turn”
Tune: WAS FRAG’ ICH NACH DER WELT

*** APOSTLES' CREED** (unison)

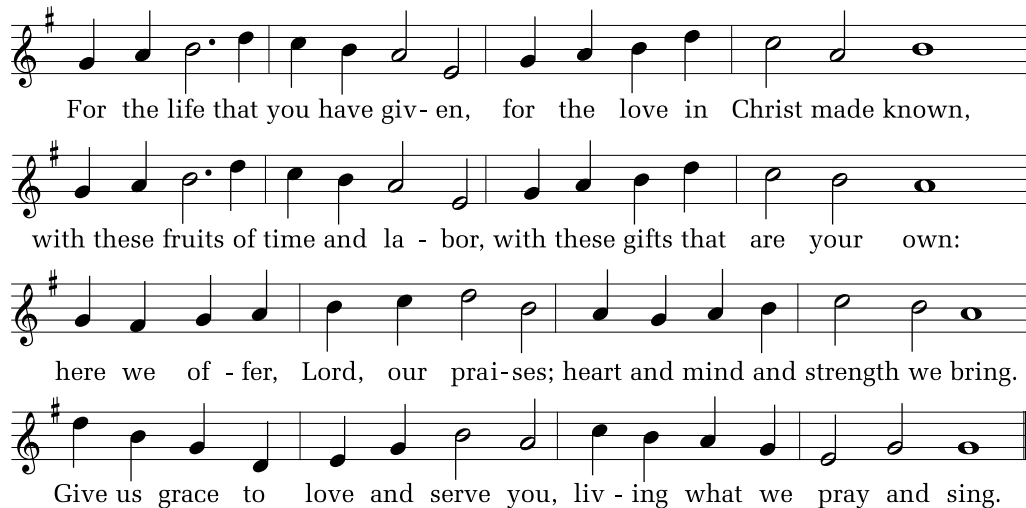
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;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

O rest in the Lord; wait patiently for him,
and he shall give thee thy heart's desires.
Commit thy way unto him and trust in him,
and fret not thyself because of evildoers.

*** 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: It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

. . . 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 “O Lord, Hear My Prayer” *Jacques Berthier*

O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

Loving God, you graciously feed us
with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
May we who have received this sacrament
be strengthened in your service;
we who have sung your praises
tell of your glory and truth;
we who have seen the greatness of your love
see you face to face in your kingdom.
For you have made us your own people
by the death and resurrection of your Son our Lord
and by the life-giving power of your Spirit. Amen.

*HYMN 515 “Now to Your Table Spread” *Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN*

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Postlude in A Minor *R. Mark Otterstad*

WORSHIP LEADERS

John H. Boyle, Kerri N. Allen, Joyce Shin

THE MUSIC TODAY

The Chancel Choir; Carol Carpenter, Daniel Henry, Laura Kubelka,
Laura Perkett, Cole Seaton, soloists

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 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Chicago Lights Tutoring and Elam Davies Social Service Center as well as the work of 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.

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