

PSALTER	Psalm 78:1–8 (<i>responsively</i>)	(page 508, O.T.)
ANTHEM	“A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester” O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend, and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly. Amen.	<i>L. J. White</i>
FIRST LESSON	Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52 Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.	(page 14, N.T.)
*GLORIA PATRI		(The Hymnal, 579)
SECOND LESSON	Matthew 13:54–58	(page 14, N.T.)
SERMON	A New (sub)Version “ <i>The kingdom of heaven is like . . .</i> ” Matthew 13:31 (NRSV)	CALUM I. MACLEOD
*HYMN 333	“Seek Ye First”	<i>Tune: LAFFERTY</i>
*APOSTLES’ CREED	<i>(unison)</i> 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"

Anonymous

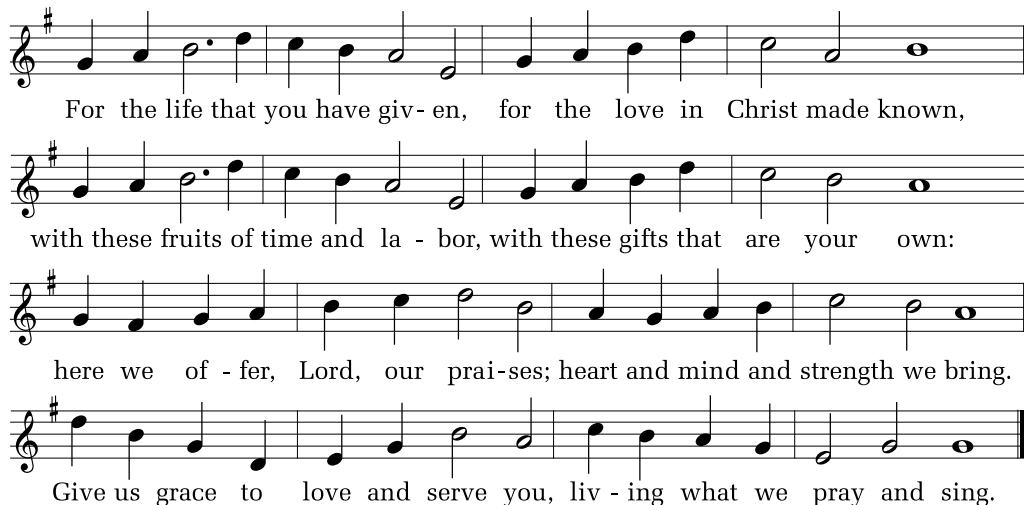
OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Laudate Pueri Dominum"

F. Mendelssohn

O praise the Lord all ye his hosts, ye servants of his that do
his pleasure. Yea, blessed be the name of the Lord from
this time forth, forevermore.

*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, whose giving knows no ending,
we give you thanks and praise
for your goodness to us,
and dedicate to you our thoughts,
our words, our gifts, our deeds,
the working of our hands,
the thinking of our minds,
the loving of our hearts.
Shield us this day,
keep us from offense,
and compass us with your love,
now and for evermore. Amen.**

***HYMN 423**

“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”

Tune: DUKE STREET

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata in Seven

John Rutter

IN THE DETAILS



A close-up look at the seven-foot-tall carved wooden angels atop the aisle piers reveals their distinctive expressions, patterns, and instruments. Shown above are the pair of angels third from the rear of the church. The south angel (*left*) plays a drum, while the north angel (*right*) plays a pair of cymbals.

Second in a series on the architectural details of Fourth Church

WORSHIP LEADERS

9:30 a.m. John H. Boyle, Judith Watt, Calum I. MacLeod

11:00 a.m. Thomas C. Rook, Judith Watt, Calum I. MacLeod

THE MUSIC TODAY

9:30 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

11:00 a.m. Women of the Morning Choir

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

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning's Minute for Mission is presented by Barbara Doyle on behalf of the Mental Health Ministry of the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health.

The women of the Morning Choir will be singing during morning worship services in July. The men of the Morning Choir will sing in August, and the full choir will return in September.

The textile banners and pulpit parament, "Unweavings," created by Laurie Wohl, were commissioned by Fourth Church for use during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year (the season between Epiphany and Lent and between Pentecost and Advent). Through their combination of scripture texts and image, these banners celebrate and elevate the perception of the sacred in the "ordinary" as we make our faith journey day to day.

The bulletin cover photo depicts water drops and ripples in the Garth fountain. The cover quote is from Leith Fisher's commentary *But I Say to You: Exploring the Gospel of Matthew*.

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