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 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.

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 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 \$8. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the reception desk. Discounted parking at the Hancock, 875 North Michigan, is available at the rate of \$6 for three hours on Sunday mornings only. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Monday, July 8, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, August 12, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@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, contact Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org). Please note that under current law, medical institutions no longer automatically inform churches when a church member is admitted.

MORNING WORSHIP

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

Prelude Voluntary in D Minor John Stanley

Adagio

INTROIT "O Lord, Open Thou Our Lips" George Guest

O Lord, open thou our lips, and our mouth shall show

forth thy praise. O God, make speed to save us,

O Lord make haste to help us. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

*DOXOLOGY AND INVOCATION

(The Hymnal, 592)

***HYMN 488** "The God of Abraham Praise" *Tune:* LEONI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God. in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PSALTER Psalm 16 (sung) (The Hymnal, 165)

ANTHEM "I Will Sing unto the Lord" Maurice Greene

I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live. I will praise my God while I have my being.

*GLORIA PATRI (The Hymnal, 579)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 9:51–62 (page 66, N.T.)

Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Don't Look Back John W. Vest

"No one who puts a hand to the plow

and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Luke 9:62 (NRSV)

*Hymn 339 "Be Thou My Vision" Tune: Slane

*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

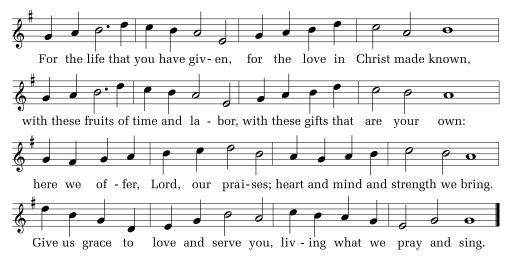
OFFERTORY SOLO

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

arr. Neil Jenkins

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

*Offertory Response



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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 \dots

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:





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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 "A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester"

L. J. White

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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Eternal God,
we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit
to give ourselves for others
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Hymn 369

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Tune: I'M GONNA LIVE

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune in D Major

David Johnson

The Lord's Supper at Fourth Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. In this act, we remember that during his earthly ministry, Jesus shared meals with his followers and sat at dinner tables as a sign of acceptance of the sinner and the outcast. In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

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.

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.

Portions of the text above adapted from The Book of Order

WORSHIP LEADERS

Judith L. Watt, Matt Helms, John W. Vest

THE MUSIC TODAY

Women of the Morning Choir; Laura Kubelka, soloist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

WORSHIP NOTES

The composer of this morning's prelude, John Stanley (1712–1786), was blinded in an accident at the age of two but became a child prodigy admired by Handel. By the age of fourteen Stanley was appointed organist of St. Andrew, Holborn, outside of London, where he served for sixty years. Simultaneously, he became organist at the Temple Church, where he served for fifty years.

Today's Minute for Mission is presented by Pam Block, on behalf of Women@Fourth Connect, which is again sponsoring the school supplies drive.

Fourth Church offers a variety of worship opportunities in addition to Sunday morning services. A jazz service with Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Each weekday morning, Morning Prayer is held in the Sanctuary (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. on the fourth Friday of each month, except in November and December. The next Taizé service will be Friday, July 26.

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