



# FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE AT DELAWARE PLACE

A special word of welcome to all who are worshiping with us this morning! For more information about Fourth Presbyterian Church, please contact Joe Morrow (312.981.3399; member@fourthchurch.org).

## We invite you to worship with us again!

#### Sundays

10:00 a.m. | In person and livestreamed (on Easter Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. in person; 11:00 a.m. livestreamed)
4:00 p.m. | Jazz Service with Communion | In person only

## **Participating in this Service**

LUCY FORSTER-SMITH, Senior Associate Pastor MATT HELMS, Associate Pastor COLE SEATON, Soloist MEMBERS OF TOWER BRASS, Fourth Church's brass ensemble CHARLES SCHUCHAT, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

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#### THE FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHICAGO

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# PRELUDE

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ is risen!

### All: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Stones of fear are rolled away! Christ is risen!

# All: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Doubts are affirmed. Questions are allowed! Christ is risen!

# All: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Gone ahead of us, Christ calls us on the path of liberation! Christ is risen!

# All: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Against all odds, we practice hope for life over death! Christ is risen!

# All: Christ is risen indeed!

# HYMN "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

- Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death but we confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear. We overlook the poor and hungry in our midst and neglect those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to call for peace; we trample the weak and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust in your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

#### All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all!

#### All: And also with you!

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#### HYMN "Christ Is Alive!"

- Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
   The cross stands empty to the sky.
   Let streets and homes with praises ring.
   Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.
- 3. In every insult, rift, and war where color, scorn, or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.
- 4. Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
- 5. Christ is alive and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

# INVITATION AND THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

# All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

# All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

# All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise.... Great is the mystery of faith:

# All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

# 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

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

You have given yourself to us, O Lord; may we now give ourselves to others. You have raised us with Christ and made us a new people; as people of the resurrection may we serve you with joy. Your glory has filled our hearts; help us to glorify you in all things. Amen!

## HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"

- "Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia! All creation, join to say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
- Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
   Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
   Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
   Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!
- Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
   Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
   Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
   Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!
- 4. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia! Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia! Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia! Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!

# BENEDICTION

# POSTLUDE

• Gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering can be given to greeters as you leave today •

# THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

supports the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (which is providing relief aid to those affected by the war in Ukraine), Hunger, and Self-Development of People programs; Fourth Church Meals Ministry; and Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center. Gifts can also be made online at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online or by using Venmo.

# **An Invitation from Fourth Presbyterian Church**

- We are glad to be worshiping with you today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church! \*\* Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. \*\* We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.
- On Wednesdays we gather at 9:30 a.m. for Morning Prayer via Zoom and at 10:00 a.m. for in-person Morning Prayer in Buchanan Chapel. The chapel is open for opportunity to walk the labyrinth between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays. For Zoom details or information about the labyrinth, email Rocky Supinger (*rsupinger@fourthchurch.org*).
   \* A Sacred Pause time of meditation is hosted virtually by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing
- **Devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff are available daily via email (*sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions*); at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as online at www.fourthchurch.org; and in booklets in the literature racks.
- While we will not be having a time of refreshments at Fourth Church today, we look forward to the return of our **Coffee Hour fellowship** on Sunday, May 1 following worship.
- For more information about these and other resources and opportunities available to you at Fourth Church, both in person and online, visit www.fourthchurch.org or www.facebook.com/ fourthchurch or follow us on Instagram (www.instagram.com/fourthchurch) or Twitter (@FourthChicago). Online events are posted on our **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at fourthchurch.org/calendar