

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship for the Lord's Day November 15, 2020

PRELUDES

A joint choir selection in memorial for Christine Keller's mother
Shorty and Jimmie Lou
"You Can't Beat God Giving" (Ingrid and Burns)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This Week: Prayer Service Every Night at 6pm (Zoom)
 - Meal Program Every Day, 11am-1pm,
 - Wednesday "HOUSE & HOPE Meeting" - Everybody welcome!
 - Bring two things to share: The Story of How you first came to Fourth Church.
(With Advent around the corner) Your HOPE for the new year.
- TODAY and NOV 22, we are allowing 15 worship participants, plus 5 worship leaders.
Windows will be open and everybody needs to wear a mask.
Session meets this Tuesday and will discuss what we will do going into December

Sign up with Debbie, Katie or Burns to have a space.

* **NEXT SUNDAY (1-2:30): Thanksgiving Sandwiches, Sweet Potato Fries & Pumpkin Cheese Cake**
Since we can't have our usual Thanksgiving Potluck, the deacons will make available *Grab N Go Thanksgiving Lunch Sandwiches available at the Church!* Come by, say hello, have a chat (outside, with masks, distanced). We start at 1pm and go until 2:30, while supplies last!

Your Fourth Church Deacons want to help us all CONNECT:

November 22, 1pm: Grab N Go Thanksgiving Sandwiches (SEE ABOVE)

Days leading to November 29: GROUP CRAFT: Mini-Advent wreaths to be assembled on the First Sunday of Advent (Nov. 29) during worship. Supplies are coming!!

Please write announcements & prayer requests in the Zoom Chat Section.

DO YOU WANT A CALL? Tell Deb Duval or Katie Cole in the chat and we will call you today.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.
L: Enter these gates with thanksgiving,
P: Give thanks to God; Bless the name of the Lord.
L: Praise God with our time and our talents.
P: Praise God with our gifts and our treasure.
L: For God is good! God's love endures forever!
All: WE GATHER TO MEET JESUS.
WE GATHER TO DEDICATE OUR LIVES TO HIS MINISTRY.
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP AND DWELL IN GOD'S SPIRIT.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT (Please light a candle at home)

*OPENING *HYMN #612 - *We Praise You, O God*

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;
Through trial and tempest our guide you have been.
When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,
and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord, beside us, your strong arm will guide us.
To you , our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

LITURGY OF CONFESSION

Unison Prayer. God of the brokenhearted, you invite us to embrace our humanity even when it aches. As your heart breaks open for your children, you invite our hearts to break open for others. But we confess, God, that our brokenness often leads us to hurt others. Instead of being compassionate healers, we neglect, or resent, or sow seeds of division. O God, as we journey with you toward the Promised Land, create in us a clean heart. Renew and sustain us with the Spirit to be your people and do your work. Hear our prayers, and bring us closer to Your Redeeming, Saving Love.

Time for Silent Confession

Sung Response:

Lord, listen to your children praying.
Lord, send your spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

*LITURGY OF PARDON

(In the Sanctuary)

Leader: Sisters and brothers, God is merciful and kind.
People: In Jesus, God reveals a holy love, a love that transcends even death.
Leader: As God’s children, let us proclaim the good news together:
ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Sung Response: AMEN!

TIME FOR CHILDREN -

Katie Cole

CELEBRATIONS, CONCERNS & PRAYER

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Peggy McPhail, Holly Holder Sanchez

A MOMENT FOR THE Pledge Campaign to Support Ministry in 2021 The Session of Fourth Church
(a pledge card is available through Chat)

PRAYER REQUESTS – From The People Gathered in the Sanctuary
From Those Gathered on Zoom

Deb Duval will share prayer requests written in the “Zoom Chat Section”

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER Burns

*HYMN #716 – *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending (The sanctuary)*

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
Nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door:
Gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

I Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Matthew 15: 14-30

