

# FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship for the Lord's Day November 8, 2020

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## PRELUDES

(a Talent Show sampling)

Psalm 23  
Shorty and Jimmie Lou  
Welcome Back....

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This Week: Prayer Service Every Night at 6pm (Zoom)
  - Meal Program Every Day, 11am-1pm,
  - Learning Pod takes place in 5 Vinton for students doing remote learning. (See Katie to get on the list or to volunteer)
  - Wednesday Book Study: "My Grandmother's Hands" - chp. 22 thru end
- Per Session vote:  
TODAY thru NOV 22, we are allowing 15 worship participants, plus 5 worship leaders.  
***Windows will be open and everybody needs to wear a mask.***  
(If data trends suggest this is unsafe, session may discontinue this practice.)

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

CONGRATULATIONS on last night's Talent Show and special thanks to the planning team:  
Christine Keller, Alyce Lee, Debbie Duval and Burns

- \* FINISHING OUR BOOK STUDY: Wednesday, 6:40pm-7:30: My Grandmother's Hands  
Read the last few chapters. We invite everybody to share one "takeaway" (insight? Provocation? Practice? Question? ) from the whole book.
- \* **TUESDAY:** Food Pantry distribution
- \* **NEXT SUNDAY -** We launch our pledge drive to support Fourth Church ministry in 2021

Your Fourth Church Deacons want to help us all CONNECT:

*November 22, 1pm: Grab N Go Thanksgiving Lunch Sandwiches will be available at the Church! come by, say hello, have a chat (outside, with masks, distanced)*

*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.*

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## \*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 – *Let Your Little Light Shine*

*(Sanctuary)*

SING: Let your little light shine, shine, shine. Let your little light shine, o my Lord.  
There might be someone down in the valley trying to get – home! (Repeat)

It might be me or it might be you. It might be your brother or your sister, too.  
There might be someone down in the valley trying to get — home!  
It might be near or it might be far. By morning sun or evening star.  
There might be someone down in the valley trying to get home!

LITURGY OF CONFESSION (sanctuary)

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 - "We'll Be Back" (A Video from Children's Theater)

CELEBRATIONS, CONCERNS & PRAYER

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Alexa Jackson, Peggy McPhail, Holly Holder Sanchez  
(Peggy has to work this morning and will be celebrated soon)

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 #726 – *The Summons (The sanctuary)*

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC (from last night's Talent Show) *Ooh, Child*

MESSAGE *"Holy Socks"*

\* EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH (in unison) (sanctuary)

Lord, You have always given bread for the coming day;  
and though I am poor, today I believe.

Lord, You have always given strength for the coming day;  
and though I am weak, today I believe.

Lord, You have always given peace for the coming day;  
and though of anxious heart, today I believe.

Lord, You have always kept me safe in trials;  
and now, tried as I am, today I believe.

Lord, You have always marked the road for the coming day  
and though it may be hidden, today I believe.

Lord, You have always lightened this darkness of mine;  
and though the night is here, today I believe.

OFFERING (Deb Duval)

We can give online at [www.fourthboston.org](http://www.fourthboston.org) OR send a check to  
Fourth Presbyterian Church, 340 Dorchester Street, South Boston, MA 02127

DOXOLOGY Tim, Michelle, Abe Sanchez & Grandma Jenny (in Somerville)  
*With a recording from a past worship service*

\*SENDING SONG — *Standing in the Need of Prayer* (sanctuary)

Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me O Lord  
Standing in the need of prayer (2x) It's me, it's me....

Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me O Lord  
Standing in the need of prayer.....

Not the members I've been doubting, but it's me O Lord  
Standing in the need of prayer...

Not the sinners, not the strangers, but it's me O Lord  
Standing in the need of prayer...

\*BENEDICTION Spoken Response: Alleluia, Amen!

Sung Response God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again

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