



For the foreseeable future we are gathering online for **livestream-only worship**.

In addition to livestreaming our 11:00 a.m. service at [www.bit.ly/FPCworship](http://www.bit.ly/FPCworship) (where the service is available throughout the week), we also make the service available via **Facebook Live** ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)) and **YouTube** ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)) at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. Those without Internet access are invited to join the service by **listening to the service live via phone by calling 888.916.9166** (toll-free) at the time of the service (the prelude typically begins around 10:45 a.m.). During the week we also make the service and sermon available via **podcast on iTunes and Spotify** ([www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast](http://www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast)); you can also receive our sermons **by email** ([www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons)).

This Sunday our **Coffee Hour** will be a virtual version of our annual “**Get Connected**” Sunday time of fellowship. Following the postlude join us via Zoom for this opportunity to connect online with one another and learn about various groups from around the church. We will be gathering online at [www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship](http://www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship) (Zoom details are also posted at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)). You can also take part in Coffee Hour **by phone**: dial (312) 626-6799 and enter meeting ID number 963 5583 1751#. Join us in getting connected! \* Another opportunity to connect with others is through our **small groups**, which meet via Zoom once a week for four weeks. To learn more or express interest in joining the new small groups that will be forming this autumn, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)). \* A new Men’s Faith Discussion Group will also be meeting via Zoom beginning October 26. Six to eight men will share life stories and discuss the Gospel of Luke on Monday mornings from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. for three months. To express interest in this group, email David Handley ([dhandley@fourthchurch.org](mailto:dhandley@fourthchurch.org)).

The Session of Fourth Church has called a **virtual congregational meeting** for Sunday, September 27 at 12:15 p.m. at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms) (call in at 888.916.9166). During the meeting, the congregation will be asked to ratify the Session’s action in May to **dissolve the pastoral relationship between Fourth Church and Vicky Curtiss**, who retired on May 31. The congregation will also receive and **act on the recommendation to elect Joe Morrow as Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Community Engagement**.

Those who are interested in **becoming a member of Fourth Church** are invited to join us online for an Inquirers’ Class on Sunday, September 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register for this one-session class (required for membership) and discover more about Fourth Church history, mission, and congregational life as well as the Presbyterian Church (USA), **sign up at [www.bit.ly/inquirer0920](http://www.bit.ly/inquirer0920)**

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September 30 is the deadline to submit to the **Officer Nominating Committee** recommendations of individuals to serve in the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Chicago Lights Board for terms beginning in 2021. If you know any Fourth Church members—including yourself—who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry, please take a moment to offer your leadership recommendations by completing the online form at [www.bit.ly/nominating2020](http://www.bit.ly/nominating2020)

Thank you to all whose generous contributions have enabled **Fourth Church Meals Ministry** to continue providing bag lunches to our hungry neighbors. We are currently **in need of additional donations to support this ministry**—in particular fruit snacks (gummy packs) or applesauce pouches as well as fruit-juice boxes or 10-oz. plastic bottles of juice. While we are unable to accept donations dropped off by individuals, you can find details at [www.bit.ly/mealsdonations](http://www.bit.ly/mealsdonations) on how to **order and ship needed items**.

A new program year of online activities for **children, youth, and families** is underway! For information about Sunday School and family activities, contact Briana Belding-Peck ([bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org](mailto:bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org)). For details about youth groups and Confirmation, contact Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)). \* **TwentiesThirties** offers a variety of online opportunities for young adults. For details, contact Joe Morrow ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)). \* **The Center for Life and Learning** offers kicks off a new program year this Monday, September 14 for adults sixty and over. Details about CLL's online offerings of courses, lectures, and exercise classes as well as virtual tours are posted at [www.fourthchurch.org/cll](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cll); for more information, contact Susan Quaintance ([squaintance@fourthchurch.org](mailto:squaintance@fourthchurch.org)).

Two **new online adult education opportunities** begin next Sunday. **"The Great Divide: A Look at Inequity within Chicago Public Schools"** will meet via Zoom on Sundays, September 20 to October 4 at 9:30 a.m. To join in this exploration of why there is a great disparity among CPS schools and what can be done for all CPS student to get a high quality education, register at [www.bit.ly/3bTHnZd](http://www.bit.ly/3bTHnZd) \* **"Foundations of Faith: An Hour a Week with the Bible"** will meet via Zoom on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. Each week Fourth Church Associate Pastors will take turns hosting three-week thematic studies of biblical texts. To begin the series, David Handley will lead a discussion of texts around the theme "Knowing God, Loving God, Serving God" (September 20 and 27, October 4). For Zoom details, register at [www.bit.ly/fpcff20](http://www.bit.ly/fpcff20)

Our daily devotions are available as a **resource for personal meditation and prayer**. You can receive them in your inbox (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)) or read them online ([www.fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://www.fourthchurch.org/devotions)), via Facebook ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), or on Twitter ([www.twitter.com/fourthchicago](https://www.twitter.com/fourthchicago)). \* On Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. we gather online for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**. Email Carol Allerton ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org)) for details.

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