



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)).

Next Sunday morning we look forward to having our junior high and Confirmation students in worship leadership roles for our **youth-led worship service** at 11:00 a.m. ✨ On Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 26, at 11:00 a.m. we will stream a **Thanksgiving Day worship service** at [www.bit.ly/FPCworship](http://www.bit.ly/FPCworship) as well as via Facebook Live and YouTube. Those without Internet access are invited to join that service by listening to the service live via phone by calling 888.916.9166 (toll-free) at the time of the service

If you would like to connect with others for a time of fellowship following worship today, please join us online following the postlude for **virtual Coffee Hour via Zoom!** We will be gathering online at [www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship](http://www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship) (Zoom details are 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#. ✨ Another opportunity to connect with others is in our **small groups**, which meet via Zoom once a week for four to six weeks. To learn more or express interest in joining one of the groups forming in upcoming months, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

This Friday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. **John Sherer will present an online organ recital** celebrating Chicago composers to mark the **fifth anniversary of the dedication of our Andrew Pipe Organ**. The concert can be viewed at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms) ✨ **Online Noonday Concerts** are streamed on Fridays at 12:10 p.m. at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms), where the performances can also be viewed later in the week. This week's concert will feature baritone Michael Cavalieri and tenor John Concepcion.

Watch our **website** ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) for resources and ways to connect. Online events are posted on the church calendar at [www.fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calendar); we also encourage you to follow us on **Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://facebook.com/fourthchurch)) and **Instagram** ([instagram.com/fourthchurch](http://instagram.com/fourthchurch)) for updates.

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**Women at Fourth** will meet via Zoom this Thursday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m. for a presentation by Maggie Shreve on **Fourth Church's Jail Ministry**. For Zoom details, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)). \* The Spiritual Formation Council is hosting a morning workshop on **"Rites of Passage: Creating Sacred Ritual in a Time of Pandemic"** via Zoom on Saturday, December 5 at 10:00 a.m. This **Advent exploration** of how to use ritual making as a way to reconnect us to ourselves, our faith, and our God **will be led by Lois Snavely, a former seminary intern at Fourth Church**. For Zoom details, contact Carol Allerton ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org)). \* **Cornerstones**, a fellowship opportunity for those fifty and older, will next gather via Zoom on Friday, December 4 at 5:30 p.m. for a **Christmas concert by John Sherer and tenor Cole Seaton**. Register online by Thursday, December 3 at [www.bit.ly/cornerstones1220](http://www.bit.ly/cornerstones1220) to receive Zoom details.

Matt Helms leading us today an exploration of **"From Pentecost to Constantine: How the Early Church Grew,"** the current theme in our **"Foundations of Faith: An Hour a Week with the Bible"** class, which meets via Zoom on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. Beginning next Sunday, Joe Morrow will lead us in looking at "Scriptural Journeys: The Enduring Power of Migrations in the Bible." For Zoom details, register at [www.bit.ly/fpcff20](http://www.bit.ly/fpcff20) \* Beginning today at 9:30 a.m., David Handley is leading a weekly Sunday morning class on **Harry Emerson Fosdick's *The Meaning of Prayer***. For Zoom details, register at [www.bit.ly/prayermeaning](http://www.bit.ly/prayermeaning) \* **Men's Bible Study** meets weekly via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. and the **Horizons Bible Study for women** meets on second and fourth Wednesdays at 12:00 noon via Zoom. For details, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**The First Tuesday Book Club** next meets on Tuesday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m. The Zoom discussion will again focus on the book ***The Cross and the Lynching Tree* by James Cone** and will be led by Nanette Sawyer. Register for Zoom details at [www.bit.ly/firsttuesdaybooks](http://www.bit.ly/firsttuesdaybooks) \* **Books by Women** will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss ***An Invisible Thread* by Laura Schoff**. For details, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

On Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. we gather online for weekly **Morning Prayer via Zoom**. Email Carol Allerton ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org)) for the details. \* 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](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), or on Twitter ([www.twitter.com/fourthchicago](http://www.twitter.com/fourthchicago))

We are looking for Fourth Church members with **gifts for compassionate listening** to become Stephen Ministers and walk alongside individuals experiencing life challenges. The next fifty-hour **training course for new Stephen Ministers** will be offered in March 2021; for information about applying for the training, see [www.fourthchurch.org/caring/stephen-ministers.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/caring/stephen-ministers.html)

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Again this holiday season we have a variety of opportunities to share love and light. You can **honor a loved one with a contribution toward the Christmas flowers and garlands** that will decorate the Sanctuary for our online worship services. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Contributions can be made online at [www.bit.ly/FPCgifts](http://www.bit.ly/FPCgifts); contributions must be received by Friday, December 11 for names to appear in the bulletin. \* Gifts to the **Light Up a Life offering** will help us continue to **serve our Meals Ministry and Chicago Lights guests** throughout the winter. Gifts can be made at [www.fourthchurch.org/give-online](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online) (write “Light Up a Life” in the comments). For more information about gifts toward Christmas flowers or our Light Up a Life offering, contact Andrea Miller ([amiller@fourthchurch.org](mailto:amiller@fourthchurch.org)). \* **Christmas gift bags** are being prepared by Meals Ministry staff and volunteers for guests of Sunday and Monday Night Suppers. Donations toward purchasing the items for the bags—which will include a food gift card, gloves, hygiene items, and a mask—can be made at [www.bit.ly/mmchristmasbags20](http://www.bit.ly/mmchristmasbags20) \* **Fulfilling Christmas wishes for our Chicago Lights Tutoring students** continues this year, with each student receiving a gift card, a book, and a mask. The selected books can be ordered online at [www.bit.ly/christmaswishes20](http://www.bit.ly/christmaswishes20); contributions toward gift cards can be made online at [www.fourthchurch.org/give-online](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online) (choose “Congregational Life” as your designation, and write “Christmas Wishes” in the comments).

**Sunday School and family activities** are being held online. For details, email Briana Belding-Peck ([bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org](mailto:bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org)). For details about **youth groups and Confirmation**, email Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)). \* **TwentiesThirties** offers online opportunities for young adults. For details, email Joe Morrow ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)). \* For details about the **Center for Life and Learning** lectures and exercise classes for adults sixty and over, see [www.fourthchurch.org/cll](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cll) or email Susan Quaintance ([squaintance@fourthchurch.org](mailto:squaintance@fourthchurch.org)).

**Benevolent Guild**, which has been making face masks, meets via Zoom on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m., and **Knitting and Crocheting** will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, November 24 at 4:00 p.m. For Zoom details for either of these gatherings, email Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

If you would like to have **a one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. \* As a connectional community committed to living out our care for one another, we want to hear from you! **If you have a prayer request**, Dave Handley ([dhandley@fourthchurch.org](mailto:dhandley@fourthchurch.org)) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries. \* **If you would like to talk to a pastor**, please call the church (312.787.4570). \* **To explore options for teletherapy** with our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, call the Center at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260.

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