



We are glad to be worshipping 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 the Fourth Church campus, **masks are welcome but not required**. As a mask-welcoming campus we affirm that mask wearing continues to be an effective preventative measure for individuals. Thus we not only encourage the wearing of masks by anyone who wants or needs to wear one, but we are also committed to ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at the church. ✳️ Since some populations are more vulnerable to COVID-19 than others, some programs on our campus may still choose to require masks. ✳️ Additionally, we are continuing our practice of not checking vaccination status, but **anyone coming on site certifies** by doing so that (a) they do not currently have COVID-19; (b) they are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) they have no reason to quarantine; and (d) they will wear a mask and practice social distancing if they are not vaccinated against COVID-19. ✳️ We are **singing during worship**. We invite those who are concerned about others singing unmasked to either worship with us, masked, in the socially distanced seating section or join us in worshipping online. ✳️ In the Sanctuary, the **front section on the pulpit side is for those required to or choosing to practice social distancing, and everyone sitting in that section is required to wear a mask**. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating. Seating for Jazz at Four is all socially distanced.



For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we livestream our morning service at 10:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), where the service is also available for viewing afterwards. ✳️ **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at the time of the service. ✳️ During the week we make the **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes as well as Spotify (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast).

Ensure you receive the latest updates from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc

If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather each Sunday for a **10:00 a.m. service** in the Sanctuary (*except for Easter Sunday, when we will gather at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.*) and a **4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service** in Buchanan Chapel. ✨ On Sundays the **doors open for worship** a half hour prior to the service. For the Jazz at Four service, access is only by the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center. ✨ **Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 for 6 hours between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (and \$18 for up to 12 hours) and at the Hancock garage (*875 N. Michigan, enter from Delaware or Chestnut*) at the rate of \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from an usher. ✨ **Nursery care** is not available at this time. ✨ **Worship can be heard** in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the “T” or “T-coil” setting of hearing aids. ✨ Please silence **electronic devices** when in the Sanctuary or Chapel.



Each Sunday during Lent we are **extinguishing a candle** at the front of the Sanctuary. Just as we lit candles on the Advent wreath to symbolize the light coming into the world through the birth of Christ, so now our extinguishing of candles points to the Lenten progression from light to the shadows of Good Friday and the crucifixion. ✨ **The season of Lent** calls Christians to embrace the **faith journey** by reflecting upon and deepening their relationship with God and by acting upon their Christian beliefs. During this season, we are invited to thoughtfully take up the **gifts of faith**—worship, study, prayer, and service—in preparation for Holy Week and Christ’s journey to the cross. ✨ In this season of self-reflection and prayer, we invite you to use our **Holy Week and Easter devotions as a resource for meditation and reflection**. To receive the meditations daily via email, simply subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions. ✨ Also available for your reflection is our **Lenten “Rhythm and Word” video series**. These brief worship experiences weaving together scripture, prayer, and blues music can be found on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos).



Following worship, Deacons are available in Stone Chapel (*through the door to the right of the pulpit*) to pray with **individuals who would like to offer prayers** of praise or concern. ✨ 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 9:45 a.m. on Wednesdays and between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays. For Zoom details, 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

On this Sunday when we wave palms and sing loud hosannas, those worshipping with us online are encouraged to download, print, and **color a palm** from our website (www.bit.ly/palmcolor). Today's Palm Sunday celebration will then lead us into Jesus' Passion and to **Holy Week**. We invite you to join us in pausing to observe those solemn days.



On Wednesday evening, April 13 we will release our **Holy Week “Rhythm and Word” video**. This brief worship experience weaves together scripture, prayer, and blues music and can be found after 6:00 p.m. Wednesday on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos). ✨ On **Maundy Thursday**, April 14, we will gather in the Sanctuary for a 12:10 p.m. Communion service and a 7:30 p.m. **Tenebrae** service, also with Communion. This evening service follows the ancient Office of Tenebrae (from the Latin for “shadows”). The service portrays the progression from light to darkness in the passion of Jesus, beginning with his abandonment on Thursday and concluding with his crucifixion. The service ends with the Sanctuary in complete darkness.” The 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae service will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel. ✨ On April 15 we will observe **Good Friday** with a Good Friday service at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary; a 5:30 p.m. program in Buchanan Chapel for children and families; and a 7:30 p.m. **Choral Service** featuring the Morning Choir singing “The Seven Last Words of Christ” by Théodore Dubois; the 7:30 p.m. choral service will be livestreamed on YouTube.



We hope you will join us on **Easter Sunday** for our joyous celebration of the resurrection! We will gather for four services: **6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service** with Communion at Oak Street Beach; **9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Easter services** in the Sanctuary; and **4:00 p.m. Easter Jazz at Four** with Communion in Buchanan Chapel. **The 11:00 a.m. Easter service will be livestreamed.** ✨ **Entrance for the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services** will be via the glass Loggia doors on Michigan Avenue, next to the courtyard. **Seating will begin a half hour prior** to each of those two services. ✨ There will be **no socially distanced seating at any of the Easter services**. We invite those who prefer to practice social distancing to join us in worship outdoors for the sunrise service or online for the 11:00 a.m. service. ✨ An **Easter program for children** will be held in the Gratz Center at 9:00 a.m. on Easter; **nursery care will not be available**. For more about observing Holy Week and Easter with Fourth Church, please see www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter

Men's Bible Study meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., and **Horizons Bible Study for women** will host two online sessions this Wednesday, April 13, one at 12:00 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m. ✨ This Tuesday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. **Books by Women** will discuss **Isabel Allende's *A Long Petal of the Sea*** via Zoom. ✨ **Knitting and Crocheting** meets via Zoom on Tuesday afternoon, April 26 at 4:00 p.m. ✨ Again this year we will be joining with our interfaith partners to participate in an **Interfaith Iftar Dinner**, which will be held in person at the Turkish American Society of Chicago (501 Midway Dr., Mt Prospect) and also livestreamed on Saturday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m. For Iftar information or Zoom details for the above events, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). ✨ **Women at Fourth** will gather online for a program by **Debbie Frisch of HelloBaby** on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 p.m. For Zoom details, register at www.bit.ly/waf422



For those facing life's challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence. 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. ✨ To explore options for teletherapy, call our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being** at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. ✨ To **talk to a pastor** or **notify the pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org; if the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ✨ To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org.



Those interested in **volunteering with our Jail Ministry** are asked to attend an information meeting on Sunday, April 24 at 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. The Zoom link is www.bit.ly/jailministryspring22; for additional details, email jailministry@fourthchurch.org ✨ Those who would like to serve as a **chaperone for a youth mission trip**—for Junior Highs (St. Louis, June 26–July 1) or Senior Highs (Memphis, July 9–15)—are asked to fill out the application at www.bit.ly/youthtripleaders22



Fourth Church Shower Ministry is in need of hygiene items, specifically unused travel-size toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, bandages, and combs. Donations can be dropped off at the church reception desk, to the attention of “Shower Ministry.”

Fourth Church offers a variety of ways to connect with one another, whether in person or online.

Those worshiping with us in person are invited to **greet one another in Anderson Hall or the Commons** following worship. ✨ **For resources and ways to connect** with Fourth Church and one another, watch our **website** (www.fourthchurch.org) and **Facebook** (facebook.com/fourthchurch).

✨ Online events are posted on our **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at fourthchurch.org/calendar ✨ To **learn more about Fourth Church** or **become a member**, contact Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org).



Shannon Kershner will begin her three-month **sabbatical** on Sunday, May 8. While she is away, we look forward to welcoming three guest preachers: **Barbara Lundblad** on Sunday morning, May 15; **Amantha Barbee** on Sunday morning, June 5; and **Patrick Daymond** (*whom many will remember as serving Fourth Church as a Pastoral Resident*) on Sunday morning, July 10. During Shannon's time away, Lucy Forster-Smith, Senior Associate Pastor, will serve as Head of Staff. For more information about this sabbatical time, see www.fourthchurch.org/about/sabbatical.html