



**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.



Although wearing a mask is not required at Fourth Church, we as a community have made a commitment to be **a mask-welcoming campus**, encouraging the wearing of masks by anyone who wants or needs to wear one. As a mask-welcoming campus, we remain committed to **ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at Fourth Church.**

✳️ 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.



**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](http://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.



You can receive the previous Sunday’s **sermon text by email** by subscribing at [www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons)

✳️ Our weekly **“Rhythm and Word” video series**, which weaves together scripture, prayer, and music, offers a **midweek resource for your prayer and reflection.** A new fifteen-minute video is released every Wednesday evening on YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)); to receive them by email, subscribe at [www.bit.ly/rhythmwordemail](http://www.bit.ly/rhythmwordemail) ✳️ **Daily devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff are available as a **resource for personal meditation and prayer.** Sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) to receive them by email, or read them at [fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://fourthchurch.org/devotions)

**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](http://www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)

If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Our 4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service (*with Communion*) will not be held this afternoon but resumes weekly next Sunday, January 8 in Buchanan Chapel. ✨ On Sundays the **doors open for worship** a half hour prior to the service. For the morning service, access is by the Michigan Avenue doors to the Sanctuary and the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center. ✨ **Sunday parking** is available at the 900 N. Michigan garage (*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 today but resumes next Sunday. Children, who are always welcome in worship, are encouraged to be with their parents in the Sanctuary today. ✨ **Worship can be heard** in the Sanctuary through the “T” or “T-coil” setting of hearing aids. ✨ Please silence **electronic devices** during worship.



Following worship, a **pipe organ tour** begins at 11:15 a.m. at the front of the Sanctuary ✨ Also 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. ✨ We gather on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom** and also at 10:00 a.m. for **in-person Morning Prayer** in Buchanan Chapel. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (*nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org*). ✨ To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email *caringministries@fourthchurch.org* ✨ The Chapel is open for **opportunity to walk the labyrinth** between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. For 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 at *facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing* on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.).



We ask that those of you worshipping with us in person **please take a moment to sign the pew information pads** so that we might know you are here. Then please pass the pad down your pew so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service. ✨ Those worshipping in person this morning are also invited to **greet one another during Coffee Hour** in Anderson Hall and the Commons following the service.

**Men's Bible Study** meets via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 a.m. **Women's Bible Study**—which offers two Zoom gathering times (12:00 and 6:30 p.m.) on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month—next meets on Wednesday, January 11. For Zoom details for Bible studies, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ Available by podcast is an invitation to join Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger in biblical exploration as they discuss the “**Bible Top Ten**” in their **podcast** by that title, with new episodes released every other Tuesday at [www.fourthchurch.org/podcast](http://www.fourthchurch.org/podcast)



A new three-week class, “**Using the Enneagram as a Tool for Spiritual Growth**,” will begin next Sunday, January 8 at 11:15 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. The class will provide opportunity to learn about the enneagram and how to apply it as a tool for enhanced self-awareness; heart, head, and body intelligence; and the spiritual dimensions of all nine enneagram types, their virtues and vices, and the holy ideas that reconnect us to our true nature and oneness with God. Register at [www.bit.ly/enneagramjan23](http://www.bit.ly/enneagramjan23) for Zoom details.



For those who are sixty and over, membership in Fourth Church’s **Center for Life and Learning (CLL)** is a ticket to a grand adventure filled with new insights, experiences, and friendships. CLL members enjoy Special Topics, Events, and Member-Led Groups; receive a discount for special classes; and may select from more than twenty different classes each week of the twelve-week session. Registration for the **CLL Winter Session Membership** is now underway and can be completed online at [www.bit.ly/cll2023](http://www.bit.ly/cll2023) or by calling the CLL office (312.981.3389 or 312.981.3391). This new session will begin next Monday, January 9.



**Knitting and Crocheting** meets this Tuesday, January 3 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5B. ✨ **Books by Women** will discuss ***Walking on Pins and Needles: A Memoir of Chronic Resilience in the Face of Multiple Sclerosis*** by Arlene Faulk in person and via Zoom next Tuesday, January 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. For Zoom details, contact Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).



The **Fourth Church offices will be closed** this Monday, January 2.

Are you interested in taking part in **Deep Listening Dinners** early this year? Groups of six to ten people each will dine together twice in home settings, gathering for a time of discovering and better understanding our differences while honoring our shared humanity and telling our life experiences to one another. To learn more about this opportunity to get to know each other more deeply, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).



**New Zoom Small Groups** are starting again this month. Some groups will use Nanette Sawyer's **Hospitality** as a resource and others will use **The Color of Compromise** by Jemar Tisby. If you would like to connect with five to seven other people via Zoom for a time of fellowship, relationship building, and spiritual formation or would like more information about small group opportunities, please email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).



Those who would like to **learn more about this congregation or become a member** of Fourth Church are invited to the Inquirers' Class on Sunday, January 15 from 11:15 to 1:30 p.m. in Room 5F. Lunch will be served. Registration is required for planning purposes and can be completed at [www.bit.ly/inquirers123](http://www.bit.ly/inquirers123); for more information, email [member@fourthchurch.org](mailto:member@fourthchurch.org)



**Fourth Church Meals Ministry is in need of volunteers** to assist in helping our neighbors who are hungry and experiencing food insecurity. To explore these volunteer needs, see our Volunteer Ministry platform, VOMO ([www.bit.ly/fpcvolunteers](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvolunteers)) or contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry ([rcrouch@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)).



Our **Chicago Lights Social Service Center program participants** need a means to transport their food, clothing, housewares, blankets, and other items that they receive from the Share Shop and Food Pantry. **Particularly needed** are paper grocery bags, sturdy plastic bags, cloth bags, shopping bags, backpacks, suitcases, grocery carts, and push or pull carts. Donations of these items can be dropped off at the 126 E. Chestnut reception desk on weekdays and Sundays between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (*except on Monday, January 2, when the church office will be closed*).

For those facing life's challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence. To talk with a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. ✨ To explore options for teletherapy or in-person conversations with a counselor, 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](mailto:caringministries@fourthchurch.org); if the situation is an emergency or requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call.



**For additional ways to connect** with one another and Fourth Church, whether in person or online, as well as for various **resources**, watch our **website** ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) and **Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)) ✨ Events are posted on our **church calendar**, accessible from our website's home page and at [www.fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calendar)