We invite you to complete the prayer card found in this worship bulletin and to place it in the plate during the sharing of gifts. Information about the prayer cards is printed on the outside back cover of the bulletin.

Welcome

*Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes all of God’s children into the life of the church regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical limitation, educational background, or economic situation.*

Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, as our Creator spoke to the Hebrew people saying, “I am the Lord, your God,” so God lays claim to us in a bond of love.

People: *As God summoned the people to the holy mountain, so God still summons us to gather in worship to hear God’s voice.*

Leader: Let each of us affirm God’s love declaring in your heart,

All: *“Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.”*

Leader: Let us worship God.
*Song

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God, you created us in your image with gifts and needs.
For the times we have failed to recognize
our own limitations and abilities—forgive us, O Lord.
Too often we do not accept, as sisters and brothers,
people with mental illness and their families.
For the times we see people through the lens of a label
and not for who they truly are—forgive us, O Lord.
God, help us to break down barriers that separate us from others.
Forgive us our insensitivity; our failure to listen to the yearning of the heart;
our failure to offer support; our failure to invite people with mental illness
to be part of our lives and our congregation. Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: As God’s forgiven people, let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.
The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Poetry Reading

“The Outer Limits of Hope” by Cheryl Almgren
Litany and Candlelighting  

Joyce Wakeman

Leader: We light the first candle for illumination in the midst of our struggle.
People: We pray for illumination.
Leader: The second candle we light is for healing.
People: We pray for healing.
Leader: We light the third candle for understanding.
People: We pray for understanding.
Leader: The fourth candle we light is for hope.
People: We pray for your sign, for hope.
Leader: We light the fifth candle for people struggling with mental illness and their families.
People: We pray for people struggling with mental illness and their families.
Leader: The sixth candle we light as our commitment to become a caring community.
People: We pray for the caring community.
Leader: We light the seventh candle, the final candle, as a sign of God’s steadfast love.
People: We celebrate and thank God for the promise of steadfast love.
All: So, let it be so. Amen.

Anthem  “There Is a Balm in Gilead”  African American spiritual

Poetry Reading  “Rowing”  by Anne Sexton

Scripture Lesson  1 Corinthians 12:12–27  (page 163, N.T.)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Communion Meditation by Victoria G. Curtiss
Suffering and Rejoicing Together
Affirmation of Faith *(unison)*

Liz Houston

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!” With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

—from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA

Sharing of Gifts

*Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.*

Offertory Anthem  “Stay with Us”

Walter Pelz

*Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav’nly host;

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: *We lift them to the Lord.*
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise!*
Sanctus

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Communion

Communion Anthem “Brother James’ Air” Gordon Jacob

The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want; he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by. My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of blessedness, even for his own name’s sake. Yea, though I pass through shadowed vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still. My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head with oil thou dost anoint, and my cup overflows. Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me; and in my Father’s heart alway my dwelling place shall be.

Prayer after Communion (unison) Randy Peyton Keller

O Holy One, we have been nurtured by your Word and fed at your Table. Lord, bless us with your enabling love. Heal our brokenness that we may be true signs of that love. As you send us, your servants, out from this place, be our constant companion. Guide us in our efforts to better serve our neighbor, those with mental illness and their loved ones. Help us share the life-giving power of your love, that those in need may experience the profound peace of your steadfast love. In our hearts, we silently promise to be true signs of your love for those with a mental illness among us and their families. Amen.

Sending

*Sending Song “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”
A note on inclusive language
Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God will be named corporately in a variety of ways that are gender neutral. This allows for your personal expressions as you are led to name the Holy in ways meaningful to you.

All are invited
Please join us for a reception, hosted by the Mental Health Ministry of the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health, in the Loggia following this service.

Worship Leaders

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Candlelighter

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Soloist

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Associate Organist

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Where to find information and support

At Fourth Church

Lorene Replogle Counseling Center
Thomas Schemper, Director
312.787.8425 (tschemper@fourthchurch.org)

Congregational Care
Sarah Johnson, member of the Pastoral Staff
312.573.3360 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org)

In Chicago and Beyond

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Chicago, IL 60610-2075
312.944.2391

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218 West Lawrence, Springfield, IL 62704
800.346.4572

The planning for this Seventh Annual Candlelighting Service was provided by the work and ministry of the Mental Health Ministry of the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church. In 2000, the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago instructed the Serious Mental Illness Task Force (now the Mental Health Ministry) to help foster a supportive and inclusive environment for the mentally ill and their families. Their mission statement states that

The Mental Health Ministry of the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health fosters a welcoming environment for individuals, families, and friends of the Fourth Presbyterian Church community who are affected by mental illness. Through advocacy and education, this ministry builds better tomorrows for recovery, hope, help, and healing.

May the peace of God and the freshness of the Holy Spirit rest in our thoughts and all that we do in this, our chosen ministry. May the will of God rule in our dreams and guide our plans as we work together to bring hope and wholeness to those who struggle with mental anguish and pain. May God’s love be manifest in wonderful ways never yet experienced. May hopes be fulfilled, dreams brought closer, and prayers answered for our ministry, for our church, and for the community at large that we prayerfully work to serve. In God’s name, we pray. Amen.

—prayer by Joyce Wakerman, member of Fourth Presbyterian Church

Did you know . . .

One in four individuals in the U.S. experiences a mental health disorder in a given year.
One in five families has someone in their immediate family that has a mental health disorder.
Fewer than one-third of adults and half of children with a diagnosable mental disorder receive any mental health services.
The vast majority of those affected by mental illness sit in lonely silence. They fear that rather than receiving support, they will be shunned.

Carry each other’s burdens and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

—Galatians 6:2 (NRSV)
What can you do as an individual and as part of this congregation to help those with mental illness feel welcome and safe in our midst? What can you do to help them understand that God loves them and is with them even in their most difficult times? How can you help carry the burden of someone who has a mental illness?

*Educate yourself* about mental health and mental illness.

*Be there!* *Show up!*

*Be a friend.*

*Listen* without a judgmental attitude.

*Empower* by demonstrating that you believe in him or her.

Let the person know *he or she is not alone.*

Ask what you can do to make a difference. Ask, “*What can I do to help?***”

*Learn* about serious mental illness in order that you can have some understanding of what it is like to “walk in his or her shoes.”

If it seems indicated, *refer him or her to persons specially trained* to help with mental illness issues. If necessary, assist them with making the appointment and provide transportation.

If medication has been prescribed, reassure him or her that medication is almost always necessary for those with a serious mental illness and that *it can enable one to function very well.*

*Reassure* your friend that God is constantly with him or her, even if he or she can’t sense it at that moment.

*Follow through* and come back to see your friend when he or she is feeling well.

*Advocate* for persons with mental illness in the community.

—adapted from the Serious Mental Illness Network; Presbyterian Health; Education and Welfare Association; Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)
During Today’s Worship

All are encouraged to use the prayer card, found in this worship bulletin, to offer joys and/or concerns. The cards will be collected during the Sharing of Gifts (simply place the card in the offering plate as it is passed). The prayers will then be incorporated into this afternoon’s Prayers of the People.

If you have a prayer you would rather not share during worship, you are invited to complete a prayer card found by one of the prayer boxes in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary, and it will be passed on to Sarah Johnson of the pastoral staff.

All, including children, are invited to the Lord’s Table to receive Communion, which is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available in the paper “cup” within the basket of bread), which they will then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship
Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission
Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship
Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Pastoral Resident
Sarah A. Johnson, Pastoral Resident
Joann H. Lee, Pastoral Resident

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

The large banners hanging in the middle of the Sanctuary were created by liturgical artist Shawna Bowman during the 4:00 worship service and are artistic representations of our worship experience.

Large-print Bibles and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the back of the sanctuary. Worship also can be heard through the “T” setting of hearing aids.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome. There is also an area in the side aisle where your child can play quietly.

Worship folders, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from an usher.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship. We invite you to stop by the community meal or the Loggia (through the doors to your left as you face the front of the sanctuary) after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Streets) at the rate of $7.75. Validation tickets must be picked up from the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

Inquirers’ Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, June 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, June 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, June 27 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).