



**Day of Pentecost** 

# Gathering

Gathering Music	"Spiritual"	. John Coltrane
	"Naima"	I. Coltrane

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 page 12.

#### 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** (presented through drama; please remain seated)

*Opening Song	"God Is Calling through the Whisper"
Please note	
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to include in the printed order of worship) are not shown in this version of the bulletin.

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#### Call to Confession

#### **Litany of Confession**

Leader: Spirit of God: You come, on fire with new life,

People: but our apathy threatens to douse your passion;

Leader: you come, on fire with love,

People: yet we limit our affections to a select few;

Leader: you come, surging with new dreams and new hopes,

People: but we still cling to the old ways of living;

Leader: you come, glowing with the vision of the kingdom,

People: yet we close our eyes to your future.

Leader: Forgive us, Spirit of Truth, forgive us.

People: Come to us, anew, this day:

shatter our hardened hearts with your tenderness;

set our souls on fire with your love;

send us into a world which aches for the new joy, the new hope, the new life offered in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

## \*Passing of the Peace

Leader: As beloved children of God, let us not be strangers to one another, but siblings in Christ.

Please stand and 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.

\*Song "Reach Out Your Hand in Peace".....Lucy Smith

# Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

PsaiterPsaim 104:24–34
ANTIPHON (unison) You are clothed in glory and majesty, wrapped in a robe of light.
Leader: O God, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures. Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great.
ANTIPHON (unison) You are clothed in glory and majesty, wrapped in a robe of light.
Leader: There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan which you made for sport.  All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.
You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good thing: Hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath,
and they die returning to dust.  Send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and you renew the face of the earth.
ANTIPHON (unison) You are clothed in glory and majesty, wrapped in a robe of light.
Leader: May the glory of God endure forever; may God rejoice in all works.  God looks at the earth and it trembles; God touches the mountains and they smoke.  I will sing to God as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.  May these words of mine be pleasing; I will rejoice in God.
ANTIPHON (unison) You are clothed in glory and majesty, wrapped in a robe of light.
Scripture Reading
Acts 2:1–21
Sermon

# Responding to the Word

Musical Reflection
Offertory Music "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"
<b>Sharing of Gifts</b> (Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.)
*Doxology Lucy Smit
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving

## **Prayers of the People**

... Show us how to praise you and pray to you, and now hear the prayers of your 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

# **Prayer after Communion** (unison)

Pentecost God,

your Spirit has been blowing in and around us all afternoon long.

You have surprised us by your power and by your grace.

Now send us out into the world empowered by your Spirit.

May we share your justice and your praise! Amen.



# \*Closing Song

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

#### \*Benediction

#### **Sending Music**

## **Worship Leaders**

**Shannon J. Kershner** Pastor

Layton WilliamsPastoral ResidentMark EldredWorship Coordinator

Jennifer Pickard Lay Liturgist

**Lucy Smith Quartet** Lucy Smith, vocals

Marcin Fahmy, piano Patrick Mulcahy, bass Isaiah Spencer, drums

#### A note on inclusive language

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God is 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.

#### Acknowledgments

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#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor
Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission
Matt Helms, Minister for Children and Families
Hardy H. Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism
Joyce Shin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care
Jeffrey Doane, Parish Associate for Older Adults
Layton Williams, Pastoral Resident
John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

# **News and Opportunities**

# Worship

**Opportunity to walk the labyrinth** in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer will be held at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday and 9:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday in Stone Chapel. All are invited to join staff for this daily opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation, all those who are in need, and mission partners around the world.

An outdoor Jazz at Four Communion service, along with BBQ fellowship afterwards, will be held on Sunday, June 7 at 4:00 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard. John Vest will preach—and afterwards serve BBQ—at this his final service of worship at Fourth Church.

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

## **Enrichment**

"The Politics of Revelation," offered through the Academy for Faith and Life and led by Clare Rothschild, will have its final session next Sunday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

**Meditation**, offered through the Replogle Center, will be held this Tuesday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

**Shannon Kershner** will speak as part of the Fuller Seminary event "The Turbulent Church in Twenty-First-Century America" this Thursday, May 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**The Men's Bible Study** will meet on Tuesday, June 2 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

**Books by Women** will discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt on Tuesday, June 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Presbyterian Women's Horizon Bible study** will meet on Wednesday, June 10 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

#### It couldn't be easier to share your church with a friend:

whether it's a thought-provoking quote from a recent sermon, an inspiring reflection from a daily devotion, or an invitation to an upcoming concert, you will find all on our page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch) this week.

Why not share at least one with friends?



# **News and Opportunities**

# **Fellowship**

**Hygiene kits** will be assembled by Presbyterian Women during a "Good News" fellowship gathering this Thursday, May 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Discounted tickets** for the Chicago "Search" Lights Scavenger Hunt—hosted by the Associates Board this Saturday, May 30 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.— are available through this Wednesday, May 27 online at www.bit.ly/ab-hunt-2015

Cornerstones and Fourth Dimension will meet on Friday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for "The Music and History of Bagpipes" with bagpipe performer George Sims. To register (required), contact Carol Allerton at callerton@fourthchurch.org by Wednesday, June 3.

# Children, Youth, and Family

There will be no Sunday School on Family Camp Weekend (May 31). Summer Sunday School (with classes meeting at 9:30 only) will begin on Sunday, June 7.

A "Great Expectations" baby shower for anyone who has welcomed a child into their home in the past year will take place on Sunday, June 14 at 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. For more information, contact Matt Helms (mhelms@fourthchurch.org) at 312.573. 3362.

A bake sale to support the Senior Highs and Chicago Lights Tutoring Students in their July 11–19 "Justice Journey" will be held on Sunday, June 21.

**Save the date for VBS:** August 10–14! Online registration will open June 1.

#### **News and Resources**

Conversation with Shannon—opportunity for small groups of Fourth Church members to get to know our Pastor, Shannon Kershner, in an informal conversational setting—will be held next Sunday, May 31 in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or aellis@fourthchurch.org

**Those graduating** from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2015 are asked to send their names to Shelley Donaldson (sdonaldson@fourthchurch.org) by Sunday, June 21 so that they can be included in the bulletin on Sunday, June 28, which is Baccalaureate Sunday.

**Be sure to bookmark** the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, details about upcoming events; archives of prayers and sermons; devotions; and more.

A congregational meeting has been called by the Session for Sunday, June 7 at 12:15 p.m. At that time the congregation will act to dissolve the pastoral relationship with John Vest, who will be moving to Richmond, Virginia, where he will be Assistant Visiting Professor of Evangelism at Union Presbyterian Seminary.

A reception for John and Anna Vest will take place on Sunday, June 7 following the congregational meeting. Please plan to be with us as we thank John and Anna for their ministry among us and wish them Godspeed.

# **News and Opportunities**

#### Volunteers and Donations

**Current Volunteer Needs** 

**Servers for Monday Night Supper** 

Ushers for the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services

**Summer Farm Camp** volunteers to work with camp participants aged 5 to 13 years, Tuesdays–Fridays, June 23–August 14, 1:00–5:00 p.m.

#### **Book Nook attendants**

Volunteers to wash and dry clothes for a
Fourth Church family with a chronically ill child
Members to serve as Nursery caregivers on Sundays
at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

**Current Donation Needs** 

Rolling carts, all sizes

Clean blankets

Men's and women's sturdy spring clothes in all sizes

For details or to volunteer, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

#### Music and the Arts

**Chicago SINGS!** will hold their choir festival today at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at the door or at www.chicagosings.com

**John W. W. Sherer** will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**The Chestnut Street Players,** the Center for Life and Learning acting troupe, will perform a *Fibber McGee and Molly* radio show reading this Thursday, May 28 at 2:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**Art by the Center for Life and Learning artists** is on display on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center until Friday, June 26.

**Mosaics by Italian artist** Verdiano Marzi are on display in the Loggia.

## **Mission and Outreach**

Walkers and donors are needed for the June 20 Hunger Walk, with credits raised supporting Fourth Church Meals Ministry. To sign up or to give, visit www.bit.ly/FPCHungerWalk2015

"The Snacks for Sacks" drive continues to collect snack items and portable drinks for distribution through Fourth Church Meals Ministry. A list of needed items will be at the Mission table during Coffee Hour next Sunday.

**The Interfaith "Black Lives Matter"** Collaboration will be showing the film *Selma* followed by a dialogue led by Martin Marty next Sunday, May 31 at 2:00 p.m. at LaSalle Street Church (1136 N. LaSalle). To RSVP (required), contact Nancy Davis at ndavis@ fourthchurch.org

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) holds volunteer hours on Saturdays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. A tour of the Farm for new volunteers is held each Saturday at 12:00 noon. For details, contact Stephanie Budd at 312.274.3801.

**The Chicago Lights Summer Day** program is looking for volunteers to serve as classroom assistants, mealtime helpers, or field-trip chaperones. New volunteers are asked to attend one of the following orientation sessions in Room 5G: Thursday, June 4 at 3:00 p.m. or Thursday, June 11 at 5:30 p.m. RSVP online at www.bit.ly/sd-volunteers-2015

**The Benevolent Guild** gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create taggies and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

**Knitting and Crocheting** will next gather this Tuesday, May 26 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 4K for a time of fellowship, to drop off items, and to pick up material for new projects. Items are then donated to families in shelters and hospitals.

# **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 read aloud during 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 Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care.

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.

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.

Please turn off all cell phones when in 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. There is also an area in the left-side aisle where your child can play quietly.

**Worship folders,** containing quiet activities and a bulletin for children, are available from a greeter.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks.

They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons/index.html.

To notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange homebound Communion with a Deacon, contact Judy Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org).

# If You Are New to Fourth Church

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Monday, June 1, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, June 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, July 6, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

Information about opportunities and resources available to you here at Fourth Church is available in the literature racks as you're leaving the church. You can also find information on our website (www.fourthchurch.org), our page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to news@fourthchurch.org).

If you are interested in considering baptism or membership at the 4:00 p.m. service at Fourth Church, please contact Hardy Kim (hkim@fourthchurch. org) or any pastor involved in the service. Information is available about the Baptism Seminar and Inquirers' Class, which are necessary for preparation. A monthly opportunity to be baptized or join the church at the 4:00 service is available on June 28 or July 26.

**Sunday parking is available** at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. Validation tickets must be picked up from the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.