



# Gathering

## Transfiguration of the Lord

**Gathering Music** "Windows" . . . . . Chick Corea  
"I Saw the Light" . . . . . Hank Williams

### 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.*

*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.*

### \*Opening Responses

Leader: God of the ordinary,  
**All: we praise you.**

Leader: You take the drabness of our thoughts  
**All: and brighten them into vivid imagination.**

Leader: You take our everyday lives  
**All: and transform them into holy, precious moments.**

Leader: You take our meager offerings  
**All: and multiply them into an abundance of delight.**

Leader: Extraordinary God,  
**All: you light up our thoughts, our lives, our selves with the wonder of your call.**

Leader: For all this we praise you.  
**All: Amen.**

\* Stand as you are able

**\*Opening Song** . . . . . “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair”

**Please note**

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## Prayer of Confession

Leader: Glorious Creator, you are the source of all time,  
yet it neither contains nor constrains you.

We who are time-bound confess that often we do not take the time,  
or make the time, to enter into your great stillness and gaze on you.

*(Please hold silence)*

Leader: Forgive us for all those times when the restless pursuit of the next thing  
has distracted and deflected us from spending time with you.

*(Please hold silence)*

**All: Help us to escape the bondage of busyness  
and find those moments of intersection with eternity,  
when your time and our time come together  
and we can grow in our awareness of you and of your purposes.  
We ask this in the name of Christ—the one who came into the world  
to make visible the Time of God. 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 family in Christ.

Please stand and greet each other with the peace of Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**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

**Psalter** . . . . . Psalm 99 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: God reigns; let the people tremble.

God is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

God is great in Zion and is high above all peoples.

Let them confess the Name, which is great and awesome; God is the Holy One.

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **O mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: "O mighty ruler, lover of justice,

you have established equity; you have executed righteous justice in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of God, our God,

and fall down before God's footstool; God is the Holy One.

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **O mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: Moses and Aaron among the priests,

Samuel among those who call upon the Name,

they called upon God, who answered them.

God spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud

and kept the testimonies and the decree that were given to them.

"O God, our God, you answered them indeed;

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds."

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **O mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: Proclaim the greatness of God, our God,

and worship him upon the holy hill;

for God, our God, is the Holy One.

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **O mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 9:28–36 . . . . . (New Testament, page 65)

**Sermon** “Confirmation Bias”. . . . . Hardy H. Kim

**Responding to the Word**

**Musical Reflection**

**Sharing of Gifts** (Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.)

**Offertory Music** “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory” . . . . . George H. Day and Thomas H. Troeger

**\*Doxology**. . . . . Lucy Smith

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

**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 Music** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart". . . . . *Robert Kreutz and Omer Westendorf*

**Closing Responses**

Leader: From glory's mountaintops of wonder and delight, where we long to stay, we will go,

**All: taking God's grace into the shadows of the world.**

Leader: Walking the valleys of everyday life, where noise overwhelms us, we will journey,

**All: listening to the voices of all who are God's presence for us.**

Leader: In the devouring fires of fear, in the mist of misguided living, we will walk,

**All: following the one who comes to lead us down paths of humility. Amen.**

# Sending

\*Closing Song. . . . . "Be Thou My Vision"

## \*Benediction

### Sending Music

## Worship Leaders

<b>Hardy H. Kim</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Jennifer Pickard</b>	Lay Liturgist
<b>Layton Williams</b>	Pastoral Resident
<b>Lucy Smith Quartet</b>	Holly McGuire, vocals Michael Caskey, drums Bryan Doherty, bass Marcin Fahmy, 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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*A Light in the City*

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Shannon J. Kershner**, Pastor  
**Victoria G. Curtiss**, Associate Pastor for Mission  
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**Rocky Supinger**, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry  
**Judith L. Watt**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care  
**Nanette Sawyer**, Minister for Congregational Life  
**Jeffrey Doane**, Parish Associate for Older Adults  
**Layton Williams**, Pastoral Resident  
**John Buchanan**, Pastor Emeritus



## News and Opportunities

### Mission and Outreach

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

**A limited number of Gala of Hope tickets**, in support of Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, are available online at [www.bitly/GalaofHope16](http://www.bitly/GalaofHope16). Tickets to this March 4 benefit are selling fast and seating is limited, so don't wait to make your reservations!

**An orientation session** for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Thursday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4J. RSVP online at [bit.ly/tutorwinter15](http://bit.ly/tutorwinter15)

**Get "Joy Ride" drawing tickets** for a one-month rental of an Infiniti Q60 convertible! Tickets for this Gala of Hope drawing—which benefits Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and will be held on Friday, March 4—are available online at [www.bitly/GalaofHope16](http://www.bitly/GalaofHope16)

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets** are available at the Mission table at Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings and by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

### Music and the Arts

**Pianist Mark Valenti** will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For a full listing of 2016 concerts, please visit [www.fourthchurch.org/concerts](http://www.fourthchurch.org/concerts)

**Meet artist Sergio Gomez**, whose art is currently on display in the Loggia, this Friday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Mr. Gomez will give a presentation and conduct a gallery walkthrough of his exhibition. For more information, contact Rob Koon at [rkoon@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rkoon@fourthchurch.org)

**The Fourth Church Choral Society** will perform Mozart's *Mass in C Minor* on Friday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All who are interested in singing the *Mass in C Minor* are invited to the first rehearsal on Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For more information about the Fourth Church Choral Society, contact John Sherer, Organist and Director of Music, at [jsherer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jsherer@fourthchurch.org).

**Those who would like to receive *Music Notes***, a weekly email newsletter about music at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to [music@fourthchurch.org](mailto:music@fourthchurch.org).

### Join us for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation!

Next Sunday, February 14 we will gather at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, which will include voting for new officers of the church. Afterwards all are invited to a congregational lunch, with an Italian-themed menu, in Borwell Dining Room. Tickets (which are required) are available at the reception desk.



## News and Opportunities

### Lent

**Ash Wednesday services** will be held this Wednesday, February 10 in the Sanctuary, with Shannon Kershner preaching at 12:10 p.m. and Judy Watt preaching at 7:30 p.m. There will be Communion and opportunity for imposition of ashes at both services.

**To receive Lenten devotions** by email (if you do not already receive our daily devotions), send email addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org). Devotions will also be available on the website and via Facebook and, beginning Wednesday, in printed format in the literature racks.

**“The Music of Lent”** a one-session Academy for Faith and Life class led by WFMT’s Carl Grapentine, will be held on Sunday, February 21 at 12:15 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

### Worship

**Morning Prayer** is held on Wednesdays in Buchanan Chapel at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to join staff for opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

**A hosted labyrinth walk** in Buchanan Chapel will be held on Ash Wednesday, February 10 from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m.

**Intercessory prayer** is held 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 prayer boxes that are outside the Sanctuary south transept doors (between the Sanctuary and Anderson Hall).

### News and Resources

**Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)) for news, worship, and programming information and to access resources such as excerpts from sermons and prayers.

**Rocky Supinger** joined us as Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry on February 1. Please join us in welcoming Rocky to Fourth Church and Chicago!

### Children, Youth, and Family

**Sunday School classes** meet on Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

**Youth** in grades 6–12 meet on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**A “Cookies and Cocoa” Family Night** will be held next Friday, February 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. There will be a shared meal as well as games and crafts.

**“Mindful Parenting,”** a monthly series for parents that is led by Sue Schemper, meets Sunday, February 21 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

**“Parenting over Pizza,”** a new monthly opportunity for parents to connect over lunch, kicks off Sunday, February 21 at 12:00 noon in Room 4G.

**Moms’ groups** for mothers with children through twelve years old meet weekly. For information, contact Briana Belding-Peck at [bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org](mailto:bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org)

## Volunteers and Donations

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Tutors** for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; one evening a week, Monday–Thursday; 6:00–7:30 p.m.

**Experienced cooks** for the Melting Pot Cooking Club; Thursdays, February 11–May 26; 3:00–6:30 p.m.

**On-call truck unloaders** to help unload the food truck for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Food Pantry

**Sunday School teachers** during 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship services

**Hosts** to serve refreshments during Coffee Hour after worship services

**Artistic adults** for the Identity Arts Program; Tuesdays, February 9–May 24; 4:00–6:00 p.m.

**Ushers** for the 11:00 a.m. worship service

**Audio-video recorders** for the 11:00 a.m. service

**Physicians, nurses, or pharmacists** to serve as medical resources to guests of Sunday Night Supper

**Nursery caregivers** on Sundays at the 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship services

**"Good Neighbors"** for daytime street outreach, Mondays and Fridays.

**Cooks** to prepare and serve supper to residents of a Lincoln Park shelter on a sign-up basis

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Small women's Depends pull-ups** for a chronically ill child

**Yoga mats**, new or used

**Men's and women's winter clothes**

**Travel-size toiletry items**

*For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 ([lnicholson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lnicholson@fourthchurch.org)) or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer](http://www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer)*

## Enrichment

**Weekly Seeds at Fourth**, a weekly women's Bible study, meets on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5H.

**Two Academy for Faith and Life** classes continue next Sunday in Room 5A: "The Belhar Confession," led by Jeff Doane, at 9:30 a.m. and "Theology, Racism, and White Supremacy," led by Carolyn Roncolato, at 11:00 a.m. Visit [fourthchurch.org/academy](http://fourthchurch.org/academy) for details.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Euphoria* by Lily King this Tuesday, February 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Presbyterian Women's Horizons Bible study** will next meet Wednesday, February 10 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

**A screening of *Late in Life: A Conversation with Atul Gawande*** will be hosted by the Replogle Center on Thursday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. To register (*required*), visit [bit.ly/atulg16](http://bit.ly/atulg16)

## Fellowship

**Cornerstones and Fourth Dimension** will gather jointly for the presentation "Building the Canal to Save Chicago," led by Richard Lanyon, this Friday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To register (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by 5:00 p.m. this Wednesday, February 10.

**Christian Century Study Groups** will next meet Wednesday, February 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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 Saturday, February 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Monday, March 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, March 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 ([hkim@fourthchurch.org](mailto:hkim@fourthchurch.org)) or go to [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.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](http://www.fourthchurch.org)), our page on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto: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](mailto: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 February 28 or April 24.

**Sunday parking is available** at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up from the Chestnut Street reception desk.

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