



Gathering

Gathering Music "Freedom Jazz Dance" Eddie Harris
"Across the Universe" John Lennon

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 sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, mental health, educational background, economic situation, religious background, or documentation status.

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 back cover.

*Call to Worship

Leader: God said, "Let there be light,"

People: and there was light.

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world,"

People: and the light shone in the darkness.

Leader: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world,"

People: and the light shall not be quenched.

* Stand as you are able

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Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**It is true we break your commandments, God of our lives.
Much worse, we break your heart
when we point the finger at those who are different from us;
when we gossip about our friends and neighbors;
when we think everything is all about us.**

**Forgive us, loving God, we pray.
We long to know your ways,
so open our ears to hear those words we always ignore.
We search for you each day,
so open our eyes to your wonders so we may see them anew.
We would believe in your promises, so fill our hearts
with the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, hear this good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, blessed, and sent into the world!

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: 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 112 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear God
and have great delight in the commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Happy are they who fear God.**

Leader: They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is right; they trust in God.
Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.
They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;
they will hold up their head with honor
The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
the desires of the wicked will perish.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Happy are they who fear God.**

Scripture Readings

Matthew 5:13–16 (New Testament, page 4)

Isaiah 58:1–12 (Old Testament, page 647)

Sermon Shannon J. Kershner

Responding to the Word

***Musical Reflection**

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

Offertory Music “Love One Another” Germaine Habjan

***Doxology** Lucy Smith

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sanctus *Lucy Smith*

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 "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" *Doris Akers*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

O God, through this bread and cup
you have made us one with you and with each other.
May the unity we find at this table
be a gift that we carry out into your suffering and divided world.
Help us find strength in knowing that you,
the God of peace, will always be with us. Amen.

Sending

*Closing Song. "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Shannon J. Kershner	Pastor
Abbi Heimach-Snipes	Pastoral Resident
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Bryan Doherty, bass Marcus Evans, drums Amr Fahmy, piano

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.

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A Light in the City

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News and Opportunities

Worship

Sacred Pause, twenty minutes of meditative silence, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel. (Enter the chapel at 123 E. Delaware.)

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to pray for members and those in need.

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available for walking this week on both Monday and Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and again on Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month, will be held on February 24 in Buchanan Chapel.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church members and staff, are available in the literature racks and by email from devotions@fourthchurch.org

Music and the Arts

The exhibition “Woven Quilts” by Betty Jane Lau is currently on display in the Loggia.

The free Friday Noonday Concert this week will be performed by organist Thom Gouwens at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The St. Olaf Choir will be in concert on Thursday, February 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.bit.ly/stolaf17

Children, Youth, and Family

Tunes for Tots, for parents and children up to two years old, will not meet on February 12 but resumes on Sunday, February 19 at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School children will sit with their parents in worship on Sunday, February 12 during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services until just prior to the sermon. At that time they will leave with their teachers for their Sunday School classrooms.

Eighth-grade Confirmation meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5A.

Youth in grades 6–12 meet for fellowship on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and then gather at 11:00 a.m. in Room 4G (Junior Highs) and the Bumpus Room (Senior Highs).

The annual Day School Benefit will be held on Saturday, February 11 between 9:30 and 11:15 a.m. in the Gratz Center and Anderson Hall. There will be free face-painting, refreshments, and entertainment by Joel Frankel. All children and their accompanying adults are invited.

Volunteers Needed

Greeters and ushers for 4:00 p.m. jazz worship
Shopping aides for guests of the Food Pantry

For more opportunities or to volunteer, email volunteerministry@fourthchurch.org or visit www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer

Early-bird pricing on Gala tickets ends this Friday!

All proceeds from the Friday, February 24 Gala of Hope at the Hyatt Regency Chicago support our life-changing outreach work in the city through Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Reserve your tickets at www.bit.ly/galaofhope2017 by Friday, February 10 for early-bird pricing.



News and Resources

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, February 12 at 12:00 noon and will include the election of new officers. All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided.

A congregational luncheon will follow the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, February 12. Lunch reservations can be made online at www.bit.ly/2k6GFiy through Thursday, February 9 or by contacting Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Inquirers' Class provides opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church and Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, a membership prerequisite, will next be offered on Monday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F.

Please use the recycling baskets around campus to help us care for creation.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: @FourthChicago

Be sure to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see photos of church life, keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news, and share favorite quotes from sermons, prayers, and daily devotions.

Find a wide variety of resources and information at www.fourthchurch.org

Enrichment

"The Gospel of Matthew," an Academy for Faith and Life class led by Anna Case-Winters, meets Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

"Roots of American Racism: Part II," led by Claudia Boatright, meets Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, February 7 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Meditation opportunities are offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/rc

The Interfaith Resource Committee invites you to hear Newton Minow speak at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware) on Wednesday, February 8 at 6:00 p.m.

A book discussion of *It's Complicated: the social lives of networked teens* by danah boyd will be led by Rocky Supinger on Tuesdays, February 21 and 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. This is the latest in the series of Academy for Faith and Life-sponsored discussions facilitated by members of the Fourth Church staff around books they select.

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, email Nancy Davis at ndavis@fourthchurch.org

Tutors are needed one evening a week from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the church to work with students of the Chicago Lights Tutoring program. A one-session orientation will be held Tuesday, February 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. RSVP to Fernie Tiflis at ftiflis@chicagolights.org

Sunlight Project is cosponsoring the presentation “Sex Trafficking in Chicago: The Real Story” on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Loyola University (111 E. Pearson). RSVP at www.bit.ly/2kqypHN

Fellowship

Young Adults meet on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. For details about joining their summer BorderLinks mission trip this coming July—or to sign up—email Abbi Heimach-Snipes at aheimach-snipes@fourthchurch.org

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

Men’s Breakfast next meets this coming Saturday, February 11 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 4G. Licensed clinical psychologist Tyler Fortman will talk about how hopeful thinking affects our lives. RSVP to Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

Books by Women will discuss *The Underground Girls of Kabul* by Jennifer Ruth Rendell at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 14 in the Bumpus Room.

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 silence all electronic devices 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, February 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, March 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) or go to 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), 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 February 26 or March 26.

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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