



4:00 p.m. • April 7, 2019 • Fifth Sunday in Lent

We Approach God

Gathering Music

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We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

Litany of Confession

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong.

God of grace,

forgive us.

We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. God of grace,

forgive us.

We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments. God of grace,

forgive us.

Most merciful God, you alone know our hearts and hopes.

Draw near and hear us as we come before you and call out to you in silence . . . (Please hold silence)

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God Forgives and Blesses Us

We Offer Ourselves

Musical Reflection

Sharing of Gifts

In gratitude for the love and grace extended to us by God, we share our resources to support ministries of justice, mercy, and beauty. Please place your gifts and pledges in the plate as it passes.

Offertory Music

*Doxology	"Again We Keep This Solemn Fast

We Feast Together

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Prayers of the People

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

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

We celebrate an open table. All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion. You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.

Communion Music

We Go Out with Gratitude

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

God of justice, you make yourself known in people and places with little power and prestige. You push us to serve those in need

and work on the places within ourselves overcome with fear and resistance to your call. Thank you for your overwhelming grace and power that pulls us toward you

in order to live out, go out, shout out for your kingdom.

We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Closing Song	"Help Us Accept Each Other"
*Benediction	
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Worship Leaders

Abbi Heimach-Snipes Pastoral Resident

Joseph L. Morrow Minister for Evangelism

Fred Schwartz Lay Liturgist

The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

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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News and Opportunities

Lent and Easter

Daily Lenten devotions are available at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), and fourthchurch.org; via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); and in the literature racks.

Holy Week and Easter

Today is the last day to make Easter flower gifts in remembrance or honor of loved ones. Contributions can be made online at www.bit.ly/FPCgifts or by using the cards available in the literature racks.

Palm/Passion Sunday's worship schedule for next Sunday, April 14 will be the same as it is on a typical Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The children's palm procession will take place at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. As part of the procession, children will be bringing forward their Lenten Fish Banks as their contribution to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

Maundy Thursday Communion services on April 18 will be held at 12:10 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Tenebrae) in the Sanctuary. There will be opportunity for hand or foot washing at the 12:10 p.m. service.

Good Friday services on April 19 will be held at 12:10 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The latter is a choral service featuring Bob Chilcott's St. John's Passion. A Good Friday program for children will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

A Saturday Easter Vigil will be held on April 20 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Easter Sunday services on April 21 will include a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. at Oak Street Beach; 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. worship; and a 4:00 p.m. jazz service. A program for children will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Gratz Floor 4.

Easter Sunday Brunch for families and individuals of all ages will be served at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room on April 21. Tickets are available online at www.bit.ly/fpcbrunch19 through April 17.

News and Resources

Inquirers' Class provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class—which will be offered next Sunday, April 14 and is a prerequisite for membership—meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Those interested in attending this or a future session may register at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers and are invited to worship at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

Follow us on Instagram (www.instagram.com/fourthchurch) to see photos of church life as well as on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch) for favorite quotes and news from Fourth Church.

Mission

"Crisis in Guatemala," an eyewitness account from the Chicago Religious Leadership Network, will be shared this Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F in a presentation sponsored by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee.

The film *Climate Refugees* will be shown by the Care of Creation Committee on Sunday, April 28 at 12:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A bike drive to collect used bicycles and parts—which will be used in repairing bikes to send to Africa and Latin America as well as to neighborhoods of Chicago—will be sponsored by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee and Working Bikes on Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Enrichment

- "A Time I Changed My Mind" will be the topic of today's "Conversations with Clergy," which will be led by Joe Morrow at 5:00 p.m. following Jazz at Four worship.
- "How to Hear God Speaking Personally through the Gospels," a men's discussion group, will meet on Friday mornings, May–July. To RSVP (required), contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).
- **Books by Women** will discuss Tara Westover's *Educated*: A *Memoir* this Tuesday evening, April 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.
- Women at Fourth's Horizons Bible study will meet this Wednesday, April 10 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 5H.
- To sign up for or to receive more information about the October Reformation trip to Europe, contact Allison Santos (asantos@fourthchurch.org).
- **A trip to Alabama and Mississippi** that focuses on the civil rights movement is being planned by the Racial Equity Council for October 26–November 2. See www.bit.ly/crtrip2019 for details.

Fellowship

- **Today is the last day to register for the TwentiesThirties' spring retreat** that will take place the weekend of May 3–5; register at www.bit.ly/2030may19
- **The Men's Breakfast** invites all to join them this Saturday, April 13 at 8:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room for breakfast and a presentation by Kathye Boyle, editor of *Talking to God: Prayers of John H. Boyle*. RSVP to Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).
- **Family Camp** will take place the weekend of May 17–19 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Register online at www.bit.ly/fpcfamilycamp19

Volunteers Needed

- **Greeters** to serve during the 4:00 p.m. worship service
- **One hundred ushers** for Holy Week and Easter; to learn more about this opportunity to welcome and assist worshipers, visit the Ushers table at Coffee Hour
- **Volunteers to pass out cider** on Easter Sunday for one of two shifts, either from 8:00 to 9:10 a.m. prior to the 9:30 a.m. service or from 10:00 to 11:10 a.m. prior to the 11:30 a.m. service
- **Chicago Lights Urban Farm volunteers,** beginning this Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the Farm (444 W. Chicago Ave.); details as well as registration for the 12:00 p.m. orientation for first-time Farm volunteers is online at www.bit.ly/urbanfarmvolunteers
- To sign up or to learn about other volunteer opportunities or donation needs, contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382).

Music and the Arts

- This Friday's free Noonday Concert will be presented by Bloomington High School South.
- **All interested singers are invited** to join the Fourth Church Choral Society, which will perform John Rutter's *Gloria* on May 17. Rehearsals begin Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For more information, contact John Sherer (*jsherer@fourthchurch.org*).

Calendar for April 7–14, 2019

	Jazz at Four • Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching Buchanan Chapel
•	"Conversations with Clergy" Allison Library
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper Anderson Hall
Monday, April 8 9:00 a.m.	Day School (also TuesFri.) Day School Classrooms
4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper
5:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Tutoring (also TuesThurs.) Gratz Fifth Floor
Tuesday, April 9 7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause Stone Chapel
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (also WedThurs.) Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	New Tutor Orientation Borwell Dining Room
6:00 p.m.	"Path of Discipleship"
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women
7:00 p.m.	Replogle Meditation Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, April 10 9:30 a.m.	Morning PrayerBuchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild
12:00 p.m.	Horizons Bible Study
6:30 p.m.	"Crisis in Guatemala"
Thursday, April 11 6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
Friday, April 12 12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Bloomington High School South choir Sanctuary
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During Today's Worship

All are encouraged to visit a prayer station to offer joys and concerns by writing them on a prayer card. The cards will be collected at the end of worship, read by the pastoral staff during the week, and then displayed in an ongoing art project.

We celebrate an open table at Communion. All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion. You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.

Worship can be heard through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids.

Please silence all electronic devices when in the Chapel.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons and by email: subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, April 14 or May 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room (register online for the class at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers). We invite you to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. the day you attend the class. For details or membership information, contact Joe Morrow (member@fourthchurch.org; 312.981.3399) or go to www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers

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 (subscribe online at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc).

If you are interested in considering baptism or becoming a member of Fourth Church during the 4:00 p.m. service, please contact Joe Morrow (jmorrow@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 April 28.

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).

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.