

March 31, 2024
Easter Sunday



The Gathering

Communion at 2:00

We Gather.

Gathering Music

Song "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" (Hymnal 591)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**Please rise in body or spirit.*



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A Light in the City

Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth 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.

Psalter Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24

***Song** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” (Hymnal 232, v. 1, 2, 4)

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God’s love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Song “How Can I Keep from Singing” (Hymnal 821)

My life flows on in endless song,
above earth’s lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I’m clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

We Hear.

Scripture Reading John 20:1–18

Sermon Nancy Benson-Nicol

We Respond.

Offering

The gifts we share to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in the offering plate or, upon leaving today, in the offering boxes at the Sanctuary exits. Gifts also can be given online at www.fourthchurch.org/give or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church)

“Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” (Hymnal 248)

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.

In the desert all-surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Communion

*Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the juice).
Gluten-free bread is available.*

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Communion Song “Hail, O Queen” (Damascus Worship)

***Song** "Soon and Very Soon" (Hymnal 384)

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

No more crying there: we are going to see the King.

No more crying there: we are going to see the King.

No more crying there: we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

No more dying there: we are going to see the King.

No more dying there: we are going to see the King.

No more dying there: we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

***Blessing**

Worship Leaders

Amy Pagliarella, Nancy Benson-Nicol

The Music Today

Beena David, vocals; Bryan Doherty, bass; Amr Fahmy, piano; Neal Wehman, drums

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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You are invited

March 31–April 6, 2024



You belong here!

This may be your first time in worship at Fourth Presbyterian Church, or perhaps you worship here so often you call Fourth Church “home”; in either case, **we are grateful for your presence today.** Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone—without exception—into the life of this congregation. No matter where you may be in your faith journey, no matter what questions or burdens you may bring to this place, we take seriously that God loves everyone, so you belong here.

Every Sunday we read the old biblical stories and sing hymns (some of which our grandparents sang), while also engaging the world we live in this minute through liturgy, prayers, and sermons.

By connecting the story of our lives to the story of Christ’s life, we discover hope and even joy, and are inspired to reflect the light of Christ to the city.

If you are new to us, stick around after worship and speak to fellow worshipers or one of our pastors. We have many programs to expand your spirit and enrich your life. We would love to tell you more.

Give us a try; soon you too might be calling Fourth Church “home.”

Joining us online

Each Sunday our worshipping body is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews. For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we **livestream our 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services** on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), where they can be viewed any time after the services begin. (*For tips on how to watch—from the beginning—a service that is already in progress, see fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning*) * **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at 9:30 a.m.

Joining us in person

If you like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather on Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. * The **doors open for worship** a half hour prior to each service. There are three fully accessible entrances, without steps, that lead to the Sanctuary: on Michigan Avenue (*through the glass Loggia doors between the courtyard and the main Sanctuary doors*); at 126 E. Chestnut; and at 115 E. Delaware. * **Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 for 6 hours (*and \$18 for up to 12 hours*) and at the Hancock garage (875 N. Michigan, *enter from Delaware or Chestnut*) at the rate of \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from an usher. * **Worship can be heard** through “T” or “T-coil” settings of hearing aids. * Please silence **electronic devices** during worship

Ensure you receive the latest updates, stories, and snapshots from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc

Let us know you're worshipping with us!

Please let us know you are here by filling out an information form. If you are worshipping with us via livestream you will find a link to the online form—which takes only 20 seconds to complete!—included in the descriptive text below the video (*after exiting full-screen view*). If you are worshipping with us in person, please use the **information pads in the pews**, passing them down the pew so worshipers have opportunity to greet one another by name following the service.

Prayer, meditation, and sermons

Each Wednesday we gather at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**; on Wednesday, April 3 we will also gather at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel for our monthly **in-person Morning Prayer**. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org). ✨ During the week we make the Sunday morning **service and sermon available via podcast** at fourthchurch.org/podcasts and on multiple podcast platforms. ✨ You can also receive the previous Sunday morning's **sermon text** (fourthchurch.org/sermons) **by email** by subscribing at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons. ✨ We invite you to use our **daily devotions** as a resource for **personal reflection**. To receive them daily via email, subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions ✨ Also available is a weekly **"Rhythm and Word" video series**. These ten-minute videos, which include music by the the Gathering musicians, are released on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) on Wednesday evenings. To receive them by email, sign up online at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail

Pastor Nominating Committee

The first step in our search for a new pastor will be the election of a **Pastor Nominating Committee** (PNC) later this spring. To help the Nominating Committee prepare a slate of recommended PNC candidates, the committee asks that you take a moment between now and April 7 to submit your suggestions of individuals to serve on the PNC. **Forms for self-nomination and for recommending someone else** can be found at fourthchurch.org/pnc, where you will also find information about PNC responsibilities and process.

Get connected

Men's Bible Study meets via Zoom at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, and **Horizons Women's Bible Study** meets via Zoom on April 10 at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. For details, email Simon (scrow@fourthchurch.org). ✨ **Tom Dozeman** will talk about **"Christian Nationalism: How Did It Evolve, and What Does It Mean Today?"** when **Cornerstones**—a fellowship group of those fifty and over—meets on Friday evening, April 5 in Borwell Dining Room. Preregistration required at www.bit.ly/cornerstones424 ✨ Fourth Church and the Community Presbyterian Church of Clarendon Hills are cosponsoring an October 18–27 **Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage** to New Orleans, Jackson, Montgomery, and Birmingham. For details, see bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024

How do you prefer to learn information from Fourth Church?

There's a lot going on at Fourth Church! There are worship services, classes, trips, concerts, and gatherings, not to mention Long-Range Planning work and the formation of the Pastor Nominating Committee.

We want to make sure you feel connected to all of these initiatives and have **all the latest information** about them. So we ask that you **please take 1 minute to reply to a simple survey** to let us know how you want to access the latest news and information from us: fourthchurch.org/inform

Stay connected

You can find details about **additional ways to connect with one another and this congregation**, whether in person or online, on **our website: www.fourthchurch.org**, where you will also discover **various resources and opportunities**. ✨ To see all that is going on at Fourth Church, we encourage you to bookmark our online **church calendar**, which is accessible at fourthchurch.org/calendar and from our website's home page. ✨ We invite you to follow us on **YouTube** (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), **Facebook** (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and **Instagram** (instagram.com/fourthchurch). ✨ Look for information, updates, and **snapshots of life at Fourth Church** in our weekly email newsletter, to which you can subscribe at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc

Joining Fourth Church

To **become a member of Fourth Church**, we invite you to a one-session Inquirers' Class held via Zoom on Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. ([register at www.bit.ly/inquirers424](http://www.bit.ly/inquirers424)). For more information about the class and joining Fourth Church, contact Associate Pastor Matt Helms (mhelms@fourthchurch.org).

Pastoral care and a listening presence and witness

To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@fourthchurch.org) or Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org). ✨ Also email Gloria if you would like to **talk to a pastor or notify pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; if the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ✨ **For those facing life's challenges**, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To **talk with a Stephen Minister**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. ✨ **A new grief group starts May 15** and is facilitated by our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being**. For details, email Sharon Crawford-Tucker (stucker@fourthchurch.org). ✨ To **explore options for counseling**, call the Replogle Center at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit www.reploglecenter.org

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