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4:00 Order of Worship 02.28.10

Gathering

Gathering Music Meditation

Fritz Kreisler

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 outside back cover of the bulletin.

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

Leader: From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then to now,

People: **come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: To heal the sick, to mend the brokenhearted, to comfort the disturbed, to disturb the comfortable, to cleanse the temple, to liberate faith from convention,

People: **come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: To carry the cross, to lead the way, to shoulder the sin of the world and take it away,

People: **come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Today, to this place, to us,

People: **come, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

***Song** "Come and Find the Quiet Center"

Silence

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**God of compassion, you are slow to anger and full of mercy,
welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts.
Receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you.
Seat them at your bountiful table of grace, that, with all your children,
they may feast with delight on all that satisfies the hungry heart.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As God's forgiven people, let us 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.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter

Psalm 27 (*responsively*)

(page 476, O.T.)

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 3:17–4:1

(page 187, N.T.)

Sermon by Adam Fronczek

Why We Have Lent

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.

Offertory Anthem “Domine, Ad Adjuvandum Me Festina” Giovanni Battista Martini

Lord, my God, assist me now. Make haste to help me.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav’nly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

Sanctus



*Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth _ are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in _ the high - est. Blest is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in _ the
high - est, _ ho - san - na in _ the high - est.

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

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God of grace, you renew us at your table
with the bread of life.
May this food strengthen us
as we seek to walk according to your will.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Sending

***Sending Song** “My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing)”

***Benediction**

Sending Music Now in the Name of God We Go *Helmut Walcha*

A note on inclusive language

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God will be 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.

Worship Leaders

Adam Fronczek Associate Pastor

Sarah A. Johnson Pastoral Resident

Fourth at Four Ensemble

Devon Reedy Violinist

Jennifer Meyer Violinist

Liz Jacobsen Viola

Fabian Lopez Cello

Emerson James Bass

Katy Sinclair Keyboard

The Senior High Choir

Thomas E. Gouwens Associate Organist

Beverly Escuder Children and Youth Music Director

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The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

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Fourth Church Cares

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 Sarah Johnson, member of the pastoral staff at 312.981.4034 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

The online auction for Carnaval, the March 5 Mission Benefit, can be accessed at www.chicagolights.org and will close Monday, March 1 at 10:59 p.m. Drawing tickets for the “Technology Treasures” package continue to be available during Coffee Hour and online. For more details about this annual event supporting Chicago Lights, the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, and this year’s chosen mission partners, visit www.chicagolights.org or contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

The Benevolent Guild gathers to create tray favors and stuffed animals for hospitalized children; meetings resume this Wednesday, March 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. Those interested in attending are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch for a time of fellowship following the meeting.

Peg Griffiths will speak about her recent trip to the Middle East next Sunday, March 7 in the Activity Center following the 11:00 service. For details or to RSVP, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Mission trip applications for Urban Regeneration: Chicago (April 30–May 1) are due Monday, March 15; applications for the **Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations trip** (June 21–26) are due Monday, April 5; and Monday, March 29 is the deadline for the July 30–August 9 **trip to Honduras**. For information, visit the literature racks or www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html, or contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

A letter regarding video gambling legislation, to be sent to city aldermen, will be available to sign at the Mission table during Coffee Hour next Sunday, March 7.

Worship

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sunday mornings. Individuals can place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel.

Sunday morning worship services are held at 8:00 (Communion) and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service will be Friday, March 26.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Substitute tutors for the Tutoring Program; Monday–Thursday

Reading and math tutors for children at two Cabrini-Green elementary schools

Current Donation Needs

Shaving cream, toothpaste, men’s and women’s underwear (sizes L–XL), for guests of the Social Service Center

Furniture for people living with HIV/AIDS moving into an assisted living shelter; a list of items is available by contacting Larry Nicholson

Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill; a list of items is available by contacting Larry Nicholson

For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which will meet Monday, March 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

Weekly Monday evening yoga is held at 6:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest. All ages and levels are welcome. For details, email yoga@fourthchurch.org.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, March 2 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

Books by Women will discuss *Read My Pins: Stories from a Diplomat's Jewelbox* by Madeleine Albright this Tuesday, March 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

"Quick and Healthy Foods" will be the topic of Tuesday's Triumph over Cancer gathering for those living with cancer and their loved ones; the session will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details, call the Triumph over Cancer Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

The Christian Century Study Groups will continue meeting this Wednesday, March 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Caring Circles, a series of classes for those interested in joining in the Friendly Visitor Program, will start up this Thursday, March 4 at 1:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony. Friendly Visitors reach out to CLL members in times of need or celebration. All are welcome; no registration is required.

An eight-session T'ai Chi course for beginners will start Thursday, March 11 at 5:00 p.m. For information or to register, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

"Integrity in Business," a weekday Academy for Faith and Life course led by Joyce Shin and clinical psychologist Leslie Pratch, will continue with its final session on Thursday, March 11 at 7:30 a.m. at 300 N. LaSalle St. Registration and a \$10 registration fee are required for this class, which includes a light breakfast. To register, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

Academy for Faith and Life adult education classes are held Sunday mornings:

- **"Presbyterianism and Catholicism,"** led by Fred Holper, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"Love, Bible Style: Exploring the Song of Songs,"** taught by John Vest, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A
- **"Callings: Vocations and the Christian Life,"** taught by Adam Fronczek, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"The Qur'an,"** led by Omer Mozaffar, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A

For course descriptions or more details, pick up an Academy brochure, located in the literature racks, or visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday school classes for children meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Church youth meet each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.: Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) meets in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow's Nest. For more information about Youth Ministry at Fourth Church, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

Fellowship groups for mothers with children age 0–4 meet at member homes in various neighborhoods. To join a group or for more information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Lent

A Lenten Book Study, hosted by the ThirtiesForties fellowship group, meets on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse and focuses on *Lent and Easter Wisdom* by Henri Nouwen. All are welcome.

An Interfaith Passover Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will be held Tuesday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are available at the Fourth Church reception desk during the week and during Sunday Coffee Hour.

Memorialize or honor loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those remembered and honored will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. (Donations must be received by *Friday, March 26* in order for names to appear in the bulletin.) Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or by calling Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381 (wrcarter@fourthchurch.org).

Daily Lenten devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available in the church literature racks, by email (simply send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org), and at www.fourthchurch.org.

A Holy Week retreat of quiet prayer and reflection will be held April 2–3 at the Cenacle Conference Center (513 W. Fullerton) and led by Vicky Curtiss. To register (required), contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Wednesday, March 11. Retreat details are available in the literature racks or by contacting Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

Music and the Arts

“Fourth Church Artists Shine Their Light in the City” is on exhibition in the Loggia and Gallery and features artwork by members. An artists’ reception will be held Sunday morning, March 7 in the Loggia during Coffee Hour.

Soprano Elizabeth Norman will be the featured artist at the Friday, March 6 free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Fellowship

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets on Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

The Cycling Club will gather for a group bike ride this Saturday, March 6 at 9:00 a.m. where the Oak Street underpass comes up to the Lake Shore bike path. For information, email cyclists@fourthchurch.org. Following the bike ride, participants will return to Fourth Church for coffee, tea, and fellowship.

Professor of Theological Ethics Ken Vaux will speak on “America in God’s World” at the next Men’s Group meeting on Saturday, March 13 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP for breakfast, call 312.787.4570 before 12:00 noon on Friday, March 12.

Fourth Dimension, a fellowship group for individual adults age forty-seven and older, will gather on Friday, March 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a talk on the great pilgrimage churches of medieval Europe. To preregister (required), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 10.

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 incorporated into 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 Sarah Johnson of the pastoral staff.

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.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission
Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for
Adult Education and Worship
Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Pastoral Resident
Sarah A. Johnson, Pastoral Resident
Joann H. Lee, Pastoral Resident

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

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.

Large-print Bibles and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the back of 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. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome. There is also an area in the side aisle where your child can play quietly.

Worship folders, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from an usher.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship. We invite you to stop by the community meal or the Loggia (through the doors to your left as you face the front of the sanctuary) after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Streets) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets must be picked up from

the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

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