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4:00 Order of Worship 08.21.11

Gathering

Gathering Music

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.

Opening Prayer *(responsively)*

Leader: Gathering God, you have brought us together from different places and different backgrounds to share this time with each other. Help us to be open to you and to each person here. Open our ears,

People: **to hear what you are saying to us in the things that happen and in the people we meet.**

Leader: Open our hands,

People: **to reach out to one another in friendship and to help when help is needed.**

Leader: Open our lips,

People: **to share our stories with one another to bring comfort, inspiration, and joy to each other.**

Leader: Open our minds,

People: **to discover new truth about you, about ourselves, about each other, and about our world.**

Leader: Open our hearts,

People: **so that we may welcome one another freely, just as you welcome us.**

All: **Amen.**

***Song** "Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God, you call us to act justly. We often close our eyes to injustice. We are deaf to the cries of those who are oppressed. We give in to the pressure to conform. We fear the cost of change; we lack a vision for tomorrow.

People: **God, forgive us.**

Leader: God, you call us to love mercy. Fear, anger, and hatred hold us back. We judge others harshly. Bitterness chokes our forgiveness.

People: **God, forgive us.**

Leader: God, you call us to walk humbly with you. We live in arrogance and greed. We forget that we are made from dust and that our life depends upon the fragile network of all creation. We have laid waste the earth and threatened the universe.

People: **God, forgive us.**

Leader: God, you call us to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you.

People: **Transform us by the power of your Holy Spirit that we may live. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

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

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As forgiven children of God, let us not be strangers to one another,
but sisters and brothers in Christ. Please stand and 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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Genesis 39—41 (*selected readings*) (page 34, O.T.)

Sermon by John W. Vest
Being in the Right Place at the Right Time

***Song** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "The Gift of Love" *Traditional*

***Doxology** *Lucy Smith*

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

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 "Bread of Heaven"

French and Welsh melody

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

God of grace and love, at this sacred table you have shared with us the holy mysteries of bread that is broken and a cup that is poured out. You give us gifts to use and opportunities to use them. Filled with the power of your Spirit, send us out into the world to be in the right place at the right time to share your love. Amen.

Sending

***Song**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

***Benediction**

Sending Song

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

John W. Vest

Associate Pastor

Matthew J. Helms

Pastoral Resident

Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

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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 Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

New volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program are required to attend one of the following orientation sessions from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall: Wednesday, September 7; Tuesday, September 13; or Thursday, September 15. For information, contact Meghan Stegemann at 312.981.3560 (mstegemann@fourthchurch.org).

The Annual School Supply Drive, organized by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, is underway and continues through August 28. Donations can be dropped off during the week at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a complete list of items currently needed, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.html.

A Guatemala mission trip over Christmas break will provide an opportunity to help build a home and a school outside of Antigua. For information or to apply, call Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 by Monday, September 19.

A letter urging Governor Pat Quinn to oppose gambling expansion in Illinois is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html.

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm is holding open hours on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New volunteer orientation is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be this Friday, August 26. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html.

On September 11, a community service of commemoration will be held at Fourth Church at 7:00 p.m. Cohosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, the Downtown Islamic Center, Fourth Church, and Holy Name Cathedral, it will include reflections by John Buchanan and other representatives from each of the faith communities as well as the world premiere of Aaron David Miller's "Voices of Peace," sung by a 95-member choir and based on children's poetry about peace.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for the opportunity to remember in prayer members of the congregation and those in need.

News and Resources

Join Fourth Church at a Cubs game as we celebrate John Buchanan's twenty-six-year ministry at Fourth Church. On Tuesday evening, September 20, John will throw out the first pitch at the game against the Brewers. A limited number of seats have been reserved in a Fourth Church section and can be purchased on the Fourth Church website. Tickets and seating are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Save the date: Sunday, January 29, 2012, will be John Buchanan's last Sunday as Pastor of Fourth Presbyterian Church. He will preach at all three morning services that day, and, following the 11:00 service, there will be a special reception for him and Sue at the Drake Hotel. Please plan to join us.

Fourth Church welcomes Hardy Kim to the pastoral staff. Hardy, who is the new Associate Pastor for Evangelism, will be working with the Discover Fourth Committee. With Hardy's arrival, Linda Loving has transitioned into the role of part-time Parish Associate.

Nominating forms for the officers of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at reception, or mailed to the church by September 30.

A giving kiosk in the Narthex makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church, Chicago Lights, or Project Second Century.

Stay up-to-date on Fourth Church news, resources, photos: "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

Those who have not yet completed a 2011 Giving Response Card for the Church Alive Annual Appeal are encouraged to do so to help Fourth Church and Chicago Lights meet the need for the \$5.2 million in pledged gifts required for the 2011 budget. We are deeply grateful to the 1,001 households who have already made pledges, with commitments totaling \$3.7 million, helping to ensure that Fourth Church is truly a Church Alive. Pledges can be made at www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html or by using the Giving Response Cards available in the pew racks.

Enrichment

Weekly Bible Study Opportunity
CLL Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Sunday, August 28 at 12:30 p.m., is also a prerequisite for membership.

"Religion and Ideology in the Attacks on New York, Mumbai, and Oslo" will be the topic of a Michigan Avenue Forum presented by Michael Sells, of the University of Chicago, on Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Center for Life and Learning Autumn Open House will be Thursday, September 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall.

T'ai Chi classes will be held on Thursdays starting September 8 at the 737 building. To register (required), call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

News and Opportunities

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes will resume on Sunday, September 11.

An open house for parents of children who are three years old and transitioning from nursery into Sunday School will be held on Saturday, September 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the Manse basement.

A drop-in playgroup for parents and their children is held on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

Music and the Arts

The last day of the “Seeing with Indian Eyes” art exhibit is today.

The CLL Chestnut Street Players will present the play “Old-Time Radio Show Boston Blackie’s TV Poisoning” on Thursday, September 1 at 11:30 a.m. in the Knox Room at the 737 building. All are invited to attend this free event.

Anyone interested in singing during the community service of commemoration at Fourth Church on September 11 is invited to join the combined choir for rehearsals on Thursdays, September 1 and 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For information, call John Sherer at 312.981.3592.

The art exhibition “Bound for Glory,” featuring Timothy Botts’s expressive calligraphy inspired by African American spirituals, will be on display in the Loggia beginning Wednesday, August 24.

Vocalist Typhanie Monique will perform this Friday’s free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the courtyard.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to teach Sunday School or serve as an office assistant in the fall at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday suppers
Urban Farm helpers on Saturdays and in the office during the week

Clothes sorters for the Elam Davies Social Service Center on weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Cooks/servers for the weekly Social Service Center Sunday night supper

Church members to replenish a care team for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

Current Donation Needs

Men’s shoes and pants for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

For details or to volunteer, call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

Fellowship

Young Adults meet for fellowship on Sundays during Coffee Hour following 11:00 worship. They also gather on Monday evenings for beach volleyball at 6:15 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

Cornerstones is gathering for an old-fashioned barbeque and potluck dinner on Friday, September 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Garth courtyard. To register (required), call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by August 31.

The Benevolent Guild will resume gathering on Wednesdays beginning September 7. They meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Knox Room at the 737 building.

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 Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Congregational 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.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

Kerri N. Allen, Pastoral Resident

Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for
Adult Education and Worship

Matthew J. Helms, Pastoral Resident

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.

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. 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.

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.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, August 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, September 12 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, September 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).