

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.

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

Leader: Among the poor, among the proud,

Men: among the persecuted, among the privileged,

All: **Christ is coming to make all things new.**

Leader: In the private house, in the public place,

Women: in the wedding feast, in the judgment hall,

All: **Christ is coming to make all things new.**

Leader: With a gentle touch, with an angry word,

Men: with a clear conscience, with burning love,

All: **Christ is coming to make all things new.**

Leader: That the kingdom might come, that the world might believe,

Women: that the powerful might stumble, that the hidden might be seen,

All: **Christ is coming to make all things new.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Not an easy peace, not an insignificant peace, not a half-hearted peace,

All: **but the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ is with us now.**

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, the peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

***Opening Song** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Holy God, we are weary. We often believe we are alone.
We feel caught on a treadmill we can't get off. We're running a race—
but we don't know where the finish line is. We have taken our eyes off you.
Rather than setting our sights on you, rather than determining
our priorities through our faith, we have allowed ourselves to be led
by the values of the society. Forgive us our doubt. Forgive our lack of trust.
Forgive our lack of focus. Help us to turn back to you—the source
of our existence and our strength. Amen.**

Time of Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Beloved, Isaiah says, “Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.” The God who created you and knows you by name sent his only Son to redeem you, and not to condemn. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **Alleluia! Amen.**

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Isaiah 40:21–31

(page 628, O.T.)

Mark 1:35–39

(page 33, N.T.)

Sermon When We Doubt

Judith L. Watt

Jazz Improvisation

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "Dear Lord"

John Coltrane

*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 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

African-American spiritual

Prayer After Communion (*unison*)

**Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands;
now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew and remake us.
What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us.
Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.**

Sending

***Closing Song** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

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

Judith L. Watt	Associate Pastor
Adam H. Fronczek	Associate Pastor
Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet	
Laura Perkett	Song Leader

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

News and Resources

The 142nd Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held next Sunday, February 12 following 11:00 worship. As part of the meeting, the congregation will elect new officers as well as a Pastor Nominating Committee. All members are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided. Afterwards, all are invited to an intergenerational congregational luncheon in Anderson Hall. Tickets for this meal are available at the church reception desk during the week.

Photos and video from last Sunday's celebration of John Buchanan's ministry are posted online (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch). An audio recording of the 11:30 service is also posted online (www.fourthchurch.org). CDs of the service are available by contacting Megan Eddy at 312.640.5375 (meddy@fourthchurch.org), and DVDs will be available in the coming weeks.

Complimentary certified tax preparation assistance is available courtesy of AARP and the Center for Life and Learning. Adults of all ages and income levels are invited to call 312.787.2729, ext. 368 for details or to make an appointment.

Follow @FPCAngel on Twitter (www.twitter.com/FPCAngel), as one of the Fourth Church angels high above the Sanctuary tweets about the organ project progress and life in the Sanctuary.

Mission and Outreach

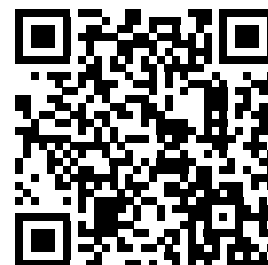
Reservations for Carnaval—the annual Chicago Lights gala benefiting Chicago Lights, the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, and the Center for Life and Learning—which will be held Friday, March 2 at the Ritz-Carlton, can be made online at <https://chicagolights.ejoinme.org/carnaval2012>. For information about Carnaval 2012, visit the Chicago Lights website at www.chicagolights.org.

Support Carnaval 2012! Donations to go toward airline miles are needed for Carnaval's live auction. For details, call Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576. The Technology Treasures drawing—offering a prize package worth \$5,000—is available online at www.chicagolights.org.

The Honduras mission trip will now take place July 25–August 4 (please note date change). This Habitat for Humanity trip to Santa Rosa de Copan is open to all, including families with children thirteen years of age and older. For details or to register, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org). The deadline for registration is Monday, April 16.

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 participating grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

Photos of congregational life are posted on Facebook. You'll also find there reflections on the daily readings that are part of our journey through the entire Bible and information about upcoming events. To be sure not to miss out on the latest at Fourth Church, "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch or scan the QR code at right with any smartphone)—and invite your friends to like us too!



News and Opportunities

Music and the Arts

Visit the new website dedicated to the Fourth Church organ, www.fourthchurchorgan.org, to learn more about this magnificent instrument and how you can help rebuild it before it becomes unplayable. Gifts will be matched \$1 for every \$2 by the \$1 million challenge grant from the Elizabeth Morse Charitable Trust. To make a pledge or gift, please use the gift intention card found in the pew rack; make a gift online at www.fourthchurchorgan.org; or contact Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576 (kjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

Tenor Cole Seaton will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The St. Olaf Choir will be in concert this Friday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.stolaf.edu.

An exhibit "1985–2011: A Retrospective," featuring photographs of ministry at Fourth Church during the twenty-six years John Buchanan has served as Pastor, is on display in the Loggia through Tuesday, February 21.

Light, the new CD featuring the Fourth Church choirs, is available by contacting Ryan Loeckel at 312.640.2570 (rloeckel@fourthchurch.org).

Those who would like to receive *Music Notes*, a weekly email newsletter about music at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to music@fourthchurch.org.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

Fourth Church youth meet on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building, with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Knox Room, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) in the Calvin Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Multipurpose Space.

The Annual Family Ice-Skating party will take place this Saturday, February 11 at 1:15 p.m. at Daley Bicentennial Rink. For details, contact Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578 (dholladay@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children on Thursdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Church

Current Donation Needs

Men's sturdy winter clothes in larger sizes for the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center
Double paper/plastic bags from Treasure Island for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

Fellowship

Young Adults meet on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building for fellowship and conversation.

Fourth Dimension will meet for “Dance Off the Winter Blues,” which will include a line dance lesson, on Friday, February 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. To register, contact Julia Bergen at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Men’s Group will meet for breakfast and a presentation by Paul Giblin, a professor at Loyola University, on Saturday, February 11 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. RSVP to 312.787.4570.

Worship

A special jazz service will be held on Sunday, February 12 as part of the weekly jazz service held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. The Morning Choir will join the Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet to present “A Little Jazz Mass” by Bob Chilcott.

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

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.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The next service will be Friday, February 24. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays at the Clare: “The Bible in the Music of Bob Dylan and the Grateful Dead” meets at 9:30 a.m. “Basics on the Bible, Reformed Theology, and the Presbyterian Church” and “God’s Law? An Exploration of Legal Injunctions in Three Abrahamic Traditions” meet at 11:00 a.m.

The “Religion in Interfaith Homes” series will discuss “Planning Your Wedding” next Sunday, February 12 at 12:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation.

Books by Women will discuss *The Paperbark Shoe* by Goldie Goldbloom on Tuesday, February 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Knox Room at the 737 building.

“Values Clarification,” a seminar led by Tom Schemper and Fraser Clark, will be offered on Tuesday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. For registration details, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

Changing Conversations will host Elizabeth Caldwell, author of *God’s Big Table, Nurturing Children in a Diverse World*, on Friday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

The congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year is supported by a variety of resources: A Bible study of the previous week’s texts meets on the 19th floor of the 737 building each Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and is repeated there on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. The reading list is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/bibleyear.html and in a brochure in the literature racks. Daily devotions reflecting on the texts are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and by email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

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 Judy 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.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

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

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

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 Narthex (at the back of the Sanctuary) after worship for coffee, fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8.00. 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 Monday, February 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, February 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).