

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 "We've Come to Worship You"

*Opening Song "There Is a Balm in Gilead"

Confessional Psalm Psalm 51

Antiphon (sung by the congregation)

Have mercy on me, O God,

according to your loving-kindness;

in your great compassion

blot out my offenses.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness

and cleanse me from my sin

for I know my transgressions,

and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned

and done what is evil in your sight, so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,

a sinner from my mother's womb.

For behold, you look for truth deep within me and will teach me secret wisdom.

Antiphon

Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your holy Spirit from me.
Give me the joy of your saving help again, and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
I shall teach your ways to the wicked, and sinners shall return to you.

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Deliver me from death,
O God, O God of my salvation,
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.
Open my lips, O God,
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice,
but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit;
O God, you will not despise
a broken and contrite heart.

Antiphon

Be favorable and gracious to Zion, and rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. Then you will be pleased with the appointed sacrifices, with burnt-offerings and oblations; then shall they offer young bullocks upon your altar.

Antiphon

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.

*Song "Halle, Halle"

Caribbean traditional

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture	Selected verses from Romans 7 and 8	(page 146, N.T.)
Sermon	What Is "Sin" Anyway?	Adam H. Fronczek
Musical Reflection		
Sealing t	he Word	
Offertory N	lusic "Come Ye Disconsolate"	Samuel Webbe Sr.
Sharing of Gifts		
Please	place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.	
*Doxology		Lucy Smith
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper		
The Great T	hanksgiving	
Minister	: The Lord be with you.	
People	e And also with you.	
Minister	r: 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 "Now to Your Table Spread"

John Ireland

Prayer after Communion (unison)

Gracious God, we thank you for this meal.
We thank you for the bread and the juice,
common things of our world,
an affirmation of the goodness of your creation.
And we thank you that this bread and juice are spiritual food,
called to a higher purpose.
We ask your blessing upon us as we walk through your world,
seeking to be your servants.
We are aware that you have created us,
and we know that you call us to be more than we are,
through the power of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sending

*Closing Song "For the Beauty of the Earth"

*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

Adam H. Fronczek John W. Vest Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet Associate Pastor Associate Pastor

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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 Opportunities

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

- **Food truck unloaders** on the second and fourth Friday mornings of the month
- **Dishwashers** following Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Sorters to go through donated clothes

- **Personal shoppers** to assist guests at the Social Service Center on Wednesdays or Thursdays
- Helpers at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
- **Cooks and servers** at a men's shelter on Tuesdays, 6:30–8:45 p.m.

Current Donation Needs Men's sturdy clothes in larger sizes

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

Children, Youth, and Family

Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2012 are asked to contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 by Sunday, June 10 so that they can be included in the morning bulletin on Sunday, June 17, which is Baccalaureate Sunday.

Family camp will be held June 1–3 in Saugatuck, Michigan. Registration forms are available in Anderson Hall and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

News and Resources

Next Sunday is Bike the Drive: those interested in joining the Fourth Church Cycling Club on this ride are invited to meet at 5:30 or 6:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 27 at the southwest corner of Jackson and Columbus. To register for this ride, visit www.activetrans.org.

A support and encouragement group for those mourning the death of a loved one will meet at the Counseling Center on six consecutive Monday evenings, beginning June 4, at 7:00 p.m. It will be led by John Boyle and other staff of the Counseling Center. To register, call 312.787.8425.

An afternoon cycling tour of Michigan's

Harbor Country will be held on Monday, June 18 in conjunction with the **Links for Lights Golf Classic.** Both events benefit Chicago Lights. Details are available online at www.chicagolights.org.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter at @fourthchicago and @fpcangel.

Fellowship

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

Running Group will meet for a monthly run on Saturday, June 9 at 9:00 a.m. in the Garth courtyard. For information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Check out our new website!

Visit www.fourthchurch.org or scan this QR code here with a smartphone. Use the new churchwide calendar to add events to your electronic calendar. Search for resources such as devotions, sermons, and prayers. Access up-to-date details about upcoming programs. And be sure to bookmark the site as one way to keep connected to Fourth Church over the summer!



News and Opportunities

Worship

Because of the Taizé event at DePaul this Friday, Fourth Church will not host a May service in the style of Taizé. The next Taizé service in the Sanctuary will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 22.

Morning Prayer is held on weekdays at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays when it is held at 9:00 a.m.

Enrichment

Cornerstones will gather for an architectural boat tour and dinner on the Chicago River Friday, June 1 at 5:45 p.m. To register (required), call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by this Monday, May 21.

An all-church outing to the Harold Washington Library, sponsored by the Multicultural Committee, will take place on Sunday, June 3 at 1:00 p.m. For details, contact Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

A Center for Life and Learning trip to see historical Lincoln sites in Springfield, Illinois, will take place June 18–19. Adults sixty years and more may RSVP to Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! Identical Bible studies meet on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., both at the 737 building. Those interested in a Sunday Bible study are asked to contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@ fourthchurch.org) by June 1. Registrants will be notified if there is sufficient interest to start a Sunday session. The reading list is online and in the literature racks. Devotions on the texts are available online and via Facebook, Twitter, and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Music and the Arts

To help rebuild the Fourth Church organ, which is rapidly deteriorating, please use the gift intention card found in the pew racks, mailed to member homes, and also available online. To learn more about the organ, visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org.

Fourth Acts will perform "Mothers and Fathers," two short readings in honor of Mother's and Father's Day, next Sunday, May 27 at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. Light refreshments will be served.

The Chicago Ensemble will perform in concert on Tuesday, May 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.thechicagoensemble.org.

Mission and Outreach

Helping Hands, a hands-on mission group, will hold a planning meeting this Monday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the 737 building. RSVP to Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

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.

The Chicago Lights Associates Board, a group of young professionals working to promote the mission of Chicago Lights, will hold an open meeting this Wednesday, May 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the 737 building. All are invited to attend.

A mission trip to a Children's Defense Fund

conference in Cincinnati will take place July 21–25. Applications are due Friday, June 1. Details and applications are available online and by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

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

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

the side aisles.

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. 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 and includes a light meal. Attend Monday, May 21 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Monday, June 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, June 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@ fourthchurch.org).