



## 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** (*Psalm 9*)

Leader: We meet in the name of God, Creator of the universe,  
source of true humanity, mother and father of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: We meet in the name of Jesus, Word made flesh,  
Savior of fallen humanity, lover of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life,  
midwife of new humanity, inspirer of all.

People: **Amen.**

Leader: Come then, eternal God.

People: **Be present here, befriend us here, renew us here.**

## **\*Opening Song** “The God of Abraham Praise”

### **\*Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness** (*Psalm 130*)

Leader: I cry out to you from the depths, Lord—

People: **my Lord, listen to my voice!**

**Let your ears pay close attention to my request for mercy!**

Leader: If you kept track of sins, Lord—my Lord, who would stand a chance?

People: **But forgiveness is with you—that’s why you are honored.**

*Silence.*

Leader: I hope, Lord. My whole being hopes, and I wait for God’s promise.

People: **My whole being waits for my Lord—more than the night watch  
waits for morning; yes, more than the night watch waits for morning!**

*Please observe some moments of silence for silent prayers of confession.*

Leader: Wait for the Lord! Because faithful love is with the Lord;  
because great redemption is with our God!

God is the one who will redeem us from all our sin. Alleluia! Amen.

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As children of God, filled with one Spirit, 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

**Prayer for Illumination** "Open My Eyes That I May See"

**Scripture** Genesis 22:1–19 (page 17, O.T.)

**Sermon** Father Abraham Had Many Sons—but He Only Tried to Kill One of Them  
John W. Vest

**Musical Reflection**

## Sealing the Word

**Sharing of Gifts**

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

**Offertory Music** "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" *F. L. Eiland*

**\*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 "Just Taste and See"

*Traditional*

#### Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Gracious God, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people,  
we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people  
because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same.  
Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us,  
encourage many through us. May we live to your glory,  
as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.**

# Sending

**\*Closing Song** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

**\*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**

<b>John W. Vest</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Adam H. Fronczek</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet</b>	
<b>Andrea Pokrefke</b>	Song Leader

### **Acknowledgments**

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

## Mission and Outreach

**The annual photo show**, “After Supper: Visions of My Life,” featuring photos taken by Monday Night Supper guests, will be held this Friday, June 22 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 23 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Catholic Charities (721 N. LaSalle). Prints will be available, with proceeds benefiting the Monday Night Supper guests.

**Walkers representing the Social Service Center** (EDSSC) in the Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk this Saturday, June 23 will earn credits for the EDSSC’s food programs. Details are posted online at [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets** offer a way to give to those in need 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 Annual School Supply Drive** is underway. Donations can be dropped off during the week at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a list of items needed, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or visit [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**Windy City Habitat for Humanity** is in need of volunteers to help fulfill its commitment to build sixteen houses in the Pullman neighborhood. To join the Fourth Church Habitat work group, call Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

**Watch for the Chicago Lights Annual Report** in the days ahead. It not only celebrates the vital contributions of all those who support this community outreach organization operating at Fourth Church but also lifts up the ways in which each of its programs—including Tutoring, the Social Service Center, and Summer Day—changes the lives of those dealing with the challenges of poverty.

**Applications for a mission trip to New Orleans** (September 24–30) are due Monday, July 2. Details and applications are available online and by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

**PCUSA peacemaking travel study seminars** will take place in 2013 in the Philippines (February 12–22) and in Northern Ireland (April 1–12). Applications are due by August 1 of this year. Details and applications are available by contacting Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 ([vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org](mailto:vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org)).

## Fellowship

**Young Adults** play beach volleyball on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. at Oak Street Beach. They will also meet this Saturday, June 23 at 7:00 p.m. for dinner at a member’s apartment. For information, contact Matt Helms at 312.981.4034 ([mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)).

**All are invited to a cookout** at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) on Saturday, June 23. Food will be served beginning at 12:00 noon.

**The online archive of “Prayers of the People”** offers a wonderful collection of prayers that you might consider praying your way through this summer. They represent just some of the many resources you will find by visiting [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org) or scanning this QR code with a smartphone. Be sure to bookmark this new website and browse it regularly to keep connected to Fourth Church!



# News and Opportunities

## Children, Youth, and Family

**New Moms' Groups** for moms of children through the age of four are forming in Oak Park, Lakeview, and Bucktown. Daytime and evening groups are available. Contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org) for meeting times and details.

**Summer Sunday School** for preschool through fifth grade meets at 9:30 a.m.

**A conversation about a "parenting in faith"** initiative at Fourth Church will take place later this summer. All parents of infants, children, and youth will be invited to attend. For more information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

## Enrichment

**Join the congregation-wide effort** to read the entire Bible in a year! Identical Bible studies that offer opportunity to reflect on the assigned texts meet on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., both at the 737 building. The reading list is available online and in the literature racks. Devotions on the texts are available online ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) and via Facebook ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), Twitter (@fourthchicago), and email (send addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)).

**Men's Bible Study** will gather this Tuesday, June 19 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

## News and Resources

**Fourth Church is on Facebook** at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch). Be sure to "Like" Fourth Church to also keep up to date on Fourth Church news, events, resources, and photos this summer.

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

**The Church Information Form** for the pastoral search has now been posted with the denomination and on the Fourth Church website, and the Pastor Nominating Committee is beginning to receive applications for the position of Pastor.

**A support and encouragement group** for those mourning the death of a loved one or other significant losses meets at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

**The 737 building**, which provides additional off-site program and office space on the 19th floor during construction of the Gratz Center, is located on Chicago Avenue, two blocks south of Fourth Church and just east of Michigan Avenue and Walgreens.

**The Career Transitions Center of Chicago**, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, is offering a variety of programs for those seeking a job, looking for meaningful work, or otherwise going through a career transition. For details, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/caring/ctc.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/caring/ctc.html).



### Volunteers and Donations

#### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Sunday School teacher** for 9:30 a.m. three-year-olds class this summer

**Helpers** at the CHAMP Summer Farm Camp at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm

**Greeters and distributors** of bag lunches to Social Service Center guests on Tuesdays, Wednesday, or Thursdays, 11:45 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

**Personal shoppers** to assist Social Service Center guests on Wednesdays or Thursdays

**Food truck unloaders** on the second and fourth Friday mornings of the month

**Dishwashers** following Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

#### **Current Donation Needs**

**Double paper/plastic bags** from Treasure Island for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

*For details, to volunteer, or for information about other opportunities, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 or visit [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).*

### Music and the Arts

**A “Make Music Chicago” concert**, featuring organist Thomas Gouwens and violinist Ryan Loeckel, will be held this Thursday, June 21 at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary.

**An all-church outing to the Gospel Music Festival**, sponsored by the Multicultural Committee, will take place on Thursday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m. at Millennium Park. For details, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 ([ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)).

**Alto Laura Kubelka** will perform at this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**The Windy City Youth Choral Festival** Friendship Concert will be held on Thursday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**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](http://www.fourthchurchorgan.org). Additional information is also available by contacting Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 ([kbever@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kbever@fourthchurch.org)).

### Worship

**A service in the style of Taizé** is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, offering opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be this Friday, June 22. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

**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 the 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. and 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

**For a preview of next Sunday’s worship** and news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter, [News@FourthChurch](mailto:News@FourthChurch), by sending email addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto:news@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.

**We invite you to 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/index.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/sermons/index.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 Sunday, June 24 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, July 9 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, July 14 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](mailto:hkim@fourthchurch.org)).