

# 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 96:1-2)

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: Sing, and give praise to God's name;

People: tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

### \*Opening Song "How Great Thou Art"

#### **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Gracious God, we often approach our lives as if we are stuck. We feel stuck in our relationship with you, stuck in our dealings with each other, stuck in a limited understanding of ourselves. We feel stuck at work, stuck at home, and stuck in relationships. We confess that often we are stuck because we insist on seeing the world the same old way, instead of seeing the forgiveness and newness you offer us every day. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to get unstuck. Free us of our preconceptions about the way things have to be, and open us to the possibilities that exist all around us,

if we can hear your message anew. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

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"

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Caribbean traditional

# Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter	Psalm 96 (responsively)
Leader:	Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
People:	Sing to the Lord! Bless his name! Share the news of his saving work every single day!
Leader:	Declare God's glory among the nations; declare his wondrous works among all people
People:	because the Lord is great and so worthy of praise. He is awesome beyond all other gods
Leader:	because all the gods of the nations are just idols, but it is the Lord who created heaven!
People:	Greatness and grandeur are in front of him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
Leader:	Give to the Lord, all families of the nations— give to the Lord glory and power!
People:	Give to the Lord the glory due his name! Bring gifts! Enter his courtyards!
Leader:	Bow down to the Lord in his holy splendor! Tremble before him, all the earth!
People:	Tell the nations, "The Lord rules! Yes, he set the world firmly in place; it won't be shaken.
	He will judge all people fairly."
Leader:	Let heaven celebrate! Let the earth rejoice! Let the sea and everything in it roar!
People:	Let the countryside and everything in it celebrate! Then all the trees of the forest too will shout out joyfully
Leader:	before the Lord because he is coming! He is coming to establish justice on the earth! He will establish justice in the world rightly. He will establish justice among all people fairly.

**Scripture** Luke 15:11–32

Sermon Rediscovering a Story

Jazz Improvisation

# Seal<mark>ing the Word</mark>

## **Sharing of Gifts**

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

Offertory Music "Saving Grace"

\*Doxology

## 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

Prayers of the People

(page 73, N.T.)

Adam H. Fronczek

Lucy Smith

**Bob** Dylan

Lucy Smith

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#### **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 "God Has Smiled on Me"

Isaiah Jones Jr.

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

Creator God, we thank you that you are creating new things all the time and that you recreate us every time we accept your gifts of food and drink. In taking your gifts into our bodies, we have changed who we are. May these gifts be reminders of the new possibilities that always exist, all around us. Amen.

## Sending

\*Closing Song "God of Our Life"

\*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	Associate Pastor
Jean Marie Koon	Liturgist
Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet	

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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**

## **Mission and Outreach**

**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, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

**Helping Hands,** the hands-on mission group at Fourth Church, will clean and organize the food pantry at the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center on Saturday, July 21. To volunteer or for details, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

**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 or to volunteer, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.

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 Wednesday, August 1 of this year. Details and applications are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html and by contacting Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

## Children, Youth, and Family

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

**Elevation youth** (grades 6–7) and their leaders will be in Indianapolis July 12–15 for their WorkCamp mission trip. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

**New Moms' Groups** are forming in Oak Park, Lakeview, and Bucktown. Call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 for details.

**Vacation Bible School** will be held August 13–17 for children in preschool through fifth grade. Registration forms are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/children/vbs.html or by calling Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578.

## Fellowship

**Young Adults** meet on Sundays at Coffee Hour following 11:00 a.m. worship. They then walk to a nearby park for fellowship, refreshments, and "sermon chat." They also play beach volleyball on Mondays through the summer at Oak Street Beach at 6:30 p.m.

#### What's going on at Fourth Church?

Check out the churchwide calendar on the new website for a complete look at what's happening at Fourth Church in the days and months ahead. You'll also find there calendars by program and interest areas, and you can add the dates to your electronic calendar as well. Just visit www.fourthchurch.org or scan this QR code with any smartphone to learn more.



## **News and Opportunities**

## **News and Resources**

**Neal Presa** has been elected Moderator of the 220th General Assembly (GA) of the Presbyterian Church (USA). You can read about him and the work of GA, which ended its weeklong gathering yesterday, at oga.pcusa.org.

We are halfway to our goal of raising \$3 million to rebuild the Fourth Church organ! To those who have already made a gift or pledge to this project, thank you so very much! To make a gift or pledge that will be matched \$1 for every \$2, through the generosity of the Elizabeth Morse Charitable Trust, you can use the pledge card in the pew racks; visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org, where you can also learn more about the Fourth Church organ and the rebuilding project; or contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

**The Church Information Form** for the pastoral search has been posted with the denomination and on the Fourth Church website, and the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is receiving applications for the position of Pastor. For more information about the search, the PNC, and a recent letter from the committee, visit www.fourthchurch. org/pnc.html.

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

## Enrichment

"Mindfulness for Living," a two-part seminar series offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, will include "Using Mindfulness to Manage Stress" and "Eating Mindfully for Health and Joy" on Tuesdays, July 17 and 24, respectively. To register (required), call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425. Details are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/lrcc.

**The new Fourth Church Writers' Workshop** will hold an organizational meeting for writers of all genres and all abilities, from beginner to professional, on Sunday, July 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Please register in advance by calling Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

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) and via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@fourthchicago), and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

**"Hungry for Change:** Growing Faith, Growing Food," a two-part workshop sponsored by the Chicago Lights Urban Farm and the Academy for Faith and Life, will be held on August 10–11. Details are available online at www.fourthchurch.org.

**The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study** takes place on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. in the Knox Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building. All those sixty years and more are invited to attend.

## **News and Opportunities**

## **Music and the Arts**

*Light, the latest CD* featuring the Fourth Church choirs, is available online through iTunes or CDBaby or by contacting Ryan Loeckel at 312.640.2570 (rloeckel@fourthchurch.org).

**Piano/vocal duo Menzie and Michael** will perform at this Friday's free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth courtyard as part of the Music by the Fountain series.

**Fourth Acts** will present a reading of two short scripts celebrating the summer next Sunday, July 15 at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room.

## Worship

**Otis Moss III,** Pastor of Trinity United Church of Christ, the South Side congregation that is the largest church in the UCC, will preach at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services on Sunday, July 22.

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

**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. each fourth Friday of the month. The next Taizé service will be Friday, July 27 in the Sanctuary.

## **Volunteers and Donations**

#### **Current Volunteer Needs**

- A shopping aide to assist Elam Davies Social Service Center guests in the food pantry on Wednesdays, 2:00-5:00 p.m.
- **Assistants** to help with Summer Day meals, tutoring, and field trips, weekdays through August 3
- **Helpers** at the CHAMP Summer Farm Camp at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm

**Personal shoppers** to assist Elam Davies 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.
- Sorters to go through donated clothes
- **Cooks and servers** to prepare a meal at a men's shelter on Tuesday evenings, 6:30–8:45 p.m., on a rotating schedule

#### **Current Donation Needs**

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

For details, to volunteer, or for information about other opportunities, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (Inicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.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.

## 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, July 9 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, July 29 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).