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

Leader: When the storms of life are raging,
People: Lord, teach us to pray.
Leader: In the midst of tribulation,
People: Lord, teach us to pray.
Leader: In the midst of faults and failures,
People: Lord, teach us to pray.
Leader: As we grow old and feeble,
People: Lord, teach us to pray.
Leader: When life becomes a burden,
People: Lord, teach us to pray.

* Stand as you are able
Prayer of Confession  *(Psalm 32)*

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: **Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

People: **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

*Please observe some moments of silence.*

All: **Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

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

Leader: Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

People: **You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

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

Leader: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you. Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.
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 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 42 (from The Manhattan Psalter: The Lectio Divina of Sister Juanita Colón)

Song “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Scripture Luke 11:1–4
Matthew 6:7–13

Sermon The Most Radical Prayer You Thought You Knew
John W. Vest

Musical Reflection
Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music “I Still Haven’t Found What I’m Looking For”

*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!

Prayers of the People

Response “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

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  “This Day”  Edwin Hawkins

Prayer after Communion  (unison)
  God, you give us our daily bread,
  and today you have fed us the bread of heaven.
  Nourished at your table,
  send us out into the world,
  seeking to do your will
  as your kingdom emerges all around us. Amen.

Sending

*Closing Song  “The Summons”

*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

John W. Vest  Associate Pastor
Lucy Smith 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).
Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs
Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers, on rotation
A shopping aide to assist food pantry guests on Wednesdays, 2:00–5:00 p.m.
Food truck unloaders in the morning on the second and fourth Fridays of the month

Current Donation Needs
Men’s sturdy clothes in larger sizes

To volunteer or for details about other opportunities, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 or visit www.fourthchurch.org.

Mission and Outreach

Save the date for Carnaval 2013—Friday, February 22—and watch for details to come.

Applications for the New Orleans mission trip (September 24–30), which are due this Wednesday, August 15, are available online.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets, which 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, are available by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

“Small Bites, Small Bands” will take place this Friday, August 17 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago).

The Chicago Lights Associates Board will hold a bake sale next Sunday, August 19 during Coffee Hour following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship. Proceeds will benefit the programs of Chicago Lights.

A vigil to recognize the victims and survivors of sex trafficking will take place on Wednesday, August 22 at 5:30 p.m. in the Garth.

More Carnaval 2013 committee members are needed to help solicit donations from organizations, corporations, and individuals to support this February 22 event. Those interested are invited to attend a planning meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

Worship

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be on Friday, August 24 in the Sanctuary.

Music and the Arts

The Wicker Park Choral Singers will perform this Friday’s outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth.

Fellowship

Young Adults meet on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building.

Have you seen the latest Gratz Center photos?
A year ago, the Gratz Center was only a foundation. As you can see in the latest Gratz Center photo album, construction has come a long way since then! For a link to the pictures—and to other albums of Fourth Church life and events—keep tabs on the “Photo Albums” page at www.fourthchurch.org (also accessible by scanning the QR code here with any smartphone).
We are halfway to our goal of raising $3 million to rebuild the Fourth Church organ! To make a gift or pledge that will be matched $1 for every $2, through the Elizabeth Morse Charitable Trust, use the pledge card in the pew racks; visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org; or call Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380.

Save the date for Gratz Center celebrations: the Cornerstone Laying will take place on Sunday, September 16 following the 11:00 a.m. worship service, and the Dedication and Celebration of the Official Opening will take place on Sunday, November 18 following 11:00 a.m. worship.

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. The reading list is available 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).

A Career Transitions Center (CTC) introductory information session will be held this Wednesday, August 15 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at 703 W. Monroe. To register (required) for this free event, visit www.ctcchicago.org.

Senior Highs will meet for a movie gathering this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, August 14, 15, and 16, at 2:00 p.m. each day in the Crow’s Nest.

Sunday School classes will resume on Sunday, September 9 at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
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 after worship for coffee, fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Inquirers’ Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Saturday, August 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, August 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, September 10 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

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.

Interested in Baptism or Membership? Time is set aside in the 4:00 service on a regular basis for the purpose of offering opportunities for persons to be baptized and to become members of Fourth Presbyterian Church. If you are interested in discussing baptism and membership for yourself or for your child, you are encouraged to mention that to one of the ministers present at today’s service or to contact one of us during the week.