



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 (*unison*)

**God of grace,
you have given us minds to know you,
hearts to love you,
and voices to sing your praise.
Fill us with your Spirit,
that we may celebrate your glory
and worship you in spirit and truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Opening Song** “Open My Eyes That I May See”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**God, we have focused our energy, attention, and love
on so many things other than you.
We have put our trust in money and possessions to make us happy,
we have neglected our most important relationships,
and we have sought happiness and security in fleeting places
that will never provide what we really need.
Forgive us, Lord.
Remove these distractions from us.
In this hour of worship in your home,
renew our focus on that which is most important.
Help us to trust in you. Amen.**

***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 4 (*responsively*)

Leader: Answer me when I call, O God of my right!
You gave me room when I was in distress.
Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

People: **How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?
How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**

Leader: But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.

People: **When you are disturbed, do not sin;
ponder it on your beds and be silent.**

Leader: Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.

People: **There are many who say, "O that we might see some good!
Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"**

Leader: You have put gladness in my heart
more than when their grain and wine abound.

People: **I will both lie down and sleep in peace;
for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.**

Scripture Matthew 19:16–30

(page 20, N.T.)

Sermon by Adam H. Fronczek

Jazz Improvisation

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "Simple Gifts"

Joseph Brackett

*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 "Fill My Cup"

Isaiah Jones Jr.

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Lord, we thank you for these your gifts.
Help us to accept them not just in our bodies, but in our hearts.
Renew in us a sense of your presence and your purpose
that as we leave this place and go out into the world
we will know that you go with us. Amen.**



Sending

***Closing Song** "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

***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
Rita Flessner Lay Liturgist
Andrea Pokrefke Song Leader
Lucy Smith Quartet

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Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to teach Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. to three-year-olds or at 11:00 a.m. to kindergarteners/first graders on alternate Sundays

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.

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

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

Sorters to go through donated clothes on Mondays or Thursdays

Food truck unloaders in the morning on the second and fourth Fridays of the month

Cooks and servers to prepare a meal at a men's shelter on Tuesdays, 6:30–8:45 p.m., on rotation

Current Donation Needs

Men's sturdy clothes (coats, sweaters, T-shirts, polos, jeans, socks, etc.) in larger sizes

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

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

Worship

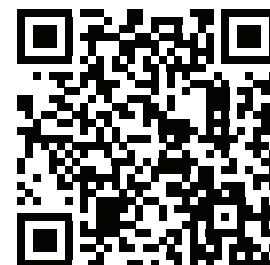
Morning Prayer is held on weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for opportunity to remember in prayer members of the congregation and those in need.

K.C. Ptomey Jr., Zbinden Professor of Pastoral Ministry and Leadership at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, is preaching at 9:30 and 11:00 worship next Sunday, September 23. Dr. Ptomey was for twenty-seven years the pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Nashville.

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. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next Taizé service will be on Friday, September 28 in the Sanctuary. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.

Even if you like us on Facebook, you might be missing some of our posts. To make sure you aren't, go to facebook.com/fourthchurch. Hover over, or point to, the "Like" button under the tulip photo and make sure "Show in News Feed" has a checkmark in front of it. If it doesn't, click on those words. That way you'll ensure you'll see all of our posts of the latest Fourth Church news, resources, and fun photos!



News and Opportunities

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A **church calendar** of the many events and opportunities available to you here at Fourth Church is available via the website (www.fourthchurch.org) and on page 4 of the “News and Opportunities” insert in the literature racks.

Today we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of this Sanctuary on September 17, 1912. That stone, carved with 1912, can be seen outside on the northeast corner of the church.

The Pastor Nominating Committee continues its work to identify a candidate for Pastor to lead this congregation into its second century on Michigan Avenue. For updates on the work of the PNC, visit www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.

Today we kick off “Reflecting the Love of God,” the 2013 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. Watch your mailbox in the coming days for an invitation to support the many ways in which this church daily lives out its call to be a light in the city, reflecting the love of God. For more information, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter at [@fourthchicago](https://twitter.com/fourthchicago) and [@fpcangel](https://twitter.com/fpcangel).

“Get Connected” through fellowship, education, and service at Fourth Church! Next Sunday, September 23, all are invited to Anderson Hall following morning worship for the annual “Get Connected” Coffee Hour to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities.

Children, Youth, and Family

Fall Family Camp at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, will be the weekend of September 28–30. Registration forms are available at www.fourthchurch.org/children/family-camp.html or by contacting Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578 (dholladay@fourthchurch.org).

A new Lakeview Parents’ Group will meet on Tuesdays, beginning October 9, at 11:00 a.m. For details, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

The Cherub, Children’s, and Youth Choirs rehearse on Sunday mornings. Details are available online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Sunday School classes are held each week at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Youth in grades 6 through 12 gather on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building (on Chicago Avenue, just east of Michigan).

Music and the Arts

Choir rehearsals for the Chancel Choir are held on Thursdays and Sundays. For more details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/music/choirs.

Soprano Linden Christ will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Fourth Church Choral Society’s first rehearsal is open to all singers in the community and will be held on October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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).

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. 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).

Men's Bible Study, which meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, will gather this Tuesday, September 18 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

Four new Academy for Faith and Life classes begin on Sunday, September 30: "Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry," led by a different Fourth Church pastor each Sunday, at 9:30 a.m.; "The Book of Mormon," led by Adam Rose, at 9:30 a.m.; "Before and After Constantine," led by Ken Sawyer, at 11:00 a.m.; and "Faith, Politics, and Why You Should Care," led by Edwin Estevez, at 11:00 a.m. Details are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study for individuals sixty years and more is held on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building. For information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/cll or contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

Mission and Outreach

The last opportunity to attend an orientation session for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program is this Tuesday, September 18 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Dining Room.

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

Early-bird tickets for Glow, the Chicago Lights Associates Board gala for young adults, are available through Thursday, September 20. Details about this October 20 event at the Museum of Contemporary Art, which will benefit Chicago Lights, are available at www.chicagolights.org.

"Small Bites, Small Bands" will be held this Friday, September 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago). All are invited to attend this free event.

Save the date for Carnaval 2013—Friday, February 22—and watch for details in the weeks ahead.

Applications for a mission trip to South Africa (April 2–18, 2013) are due by Monday, October 1. Details and application forms are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html.

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.

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.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the Sanctuary.

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 for children, are available from a greeter.

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.

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

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Sunday, September 30 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, October 8 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, October 20 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).

Information about opportunities and resources available to you here at Fourth Church is available in the literature racks as you're leaving the church. You can also find information on our website (www.fourthchurch.org), our page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to news@fourthchurch.org).

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.

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.