



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

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus, you too were tired when day was done;
you met your friends at evening time.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus, you too enjoyed when nights drew on;
you told your tales at close of day.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus, you kindled faith when lamps were low;
you opened scriptures, broke the bread, and shed your light as darkness fell.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus. Meet us here.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Opening Song "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Prayer of Confession

Refrain (*sung by the congregation*)

Gracious God, we come before you bringing our confessions.
We first confess that we are often too suspicious of you.
Worried that you will be angry,
we try to hide our mistakes and shortcomings from you.
But you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
So help us to open our hearts to the forgiveness you offer us.

Refrain

God our help, we are sorry for the ways we have separated ourselves
from one another and from you.
We are sorry for things we have said or left unsaid, done or left undone.
Forgive us, Lord. Heal and renew us.
Help us to lay aside our concerns and open ourselves to your presence.

Refrain

God of grace, in you we find acceptance.
We need not regret our past words or actions
or be paralyzed by things we cannot change,
for you have the power to change us altogether.
We praise you for your forgiving spirit,
accepting us as your children, welcoming us back home.

Refrain

Thank you, patient and loving God,
for removing from us the pain of our brokenness.
Open our hearts now to you and to one another,
that we may accept the challenge you place before us this night,
the challenge of your call upon our lives.

Refrain

***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** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture James 5:13–20

(page 217, 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 “He Ain’t Heavy, He’s My Brother”

Bob Russell and Bobby Scott

*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 “When Thou Wakest in the Morning”

Traditional

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Gracious God, we thank you for gathering us around this table,
for the gift of forgiveness, for the hope of renewal,
and for a call to go out into the world and to live lives
that reflect the love we have found here.
Surround us with your grace and mercy
as we begin the week before us. Amen.**



Sending

***Closing Song** "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

***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

Lucy Smith Quartet

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Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one evening each week, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

A church member to teach Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. to three-year-olds on alternate Sundays

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers, on rotation

A shopping aide to help Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center guests shop in the consumer choice food pantry on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

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

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, jeans, shoes, 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.

Reflecting the Love of God

“**Reflecting the Love of God**” materials have begun arriving in member homes. Response cards for indicating your support of the mission and ministry of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights are enclosed in that mailing and are available in the pew racks; they can also be completed online. All are invited to make a pledge to the 2013 Annual Appeal on or before Commitment Sunday, October 28. For more information, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

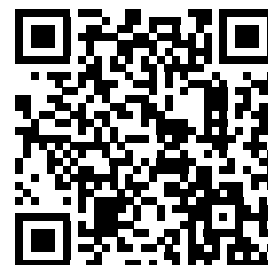
Morning Prayer is held on weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

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, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next Taizé service will be on Friday, October 26 in the Sanctuary. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. (The walk takes approximately twenty minutes.)

How do we reflect the love of God?

Our mission statement begins “We are a light in the city reflecting the inclusive love of God.” How can we take part in that calling of this congregation? On our page on Facebook and at www.fourthchurch.org you'll find snapshots of the ways in which we do that, opportunities to join in, and an invitation to commit to supporting our shared call to reflect the love of God.



News and Opportunities

News and Resources

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.

A grief support group for those dealing with significant losses will meet for six Mondays, beginning October 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. For information or to register, call 312.787.8425.

The Pastor Nominating Committee, in the months ahead, will be reviewing applications of candidates who have applied or been recommended to serve as the next Pastor of Fourth Church. An overview of the PNC process is posted at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.

The Dedication and Official Opening of the Gratz Center and Buchanan Chapel will take place on Sunday, November 18 at 12:15 p.m.

Children, Youth, and Family

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

Thanks to the generosity of so many, we are deeply grateful to announce that we have successfully met the fundraising goal for the Fourth Church pipe organ project. The onsite work will begin in approximately twelve months (at which time the current organ will be temporarily replaced with an electronic organ), with the hope of completing and dedicating the rebuilt instrument by the end of this Sanctuary’s centennial year, 2014. For more details, see www.fourthchurch.org/music/organ.

The Fourth Church Choral Society’s first rehearsal is open to all singers in the community and will be held this Thursday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will perform Mozart’s *Requiem* on November 4.

Pianist Clara Christian will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Fellowship

Cornerstones will meet for “In Genghis’s Steppes: Driving an Ambulance from London to Mongolia,” led by Dr. Robert Schenck, this Friday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. RSVP (required) at 312.787.2727, ext. 454 by this Wednesday, October 3.

A Young Adults retreat to Union Pier, Michigan, will take place October 12–14. Details are available online and by calling Hardy Kim at 312.981.3399.

“A Persian Odyssey” luncheon, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will be held for adults sixty and more on Thursday, October 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the 737 building. To RSVP, call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 by Tuesday, October 9.

Fourth Dimension will gather for “Simply Art” on Friday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

Enrichment

New Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson): "Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry," led by Hardy Kim next week and the following week by Vicky Curtiss, 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.

A discussion of *Jerusalem: A Biography* with Adam Fronczek begins this Tuesday, October 2 at 5:30 p.m. at the 737 building. Participants are asked to read through Part 3 by that first session.

Men's Group will gather for a lecture by Bill Schmidt, who will recount his pilgrimage in Spain, on Saturday, October 13 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP, call 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, October 10 at 12:00 noon.

Books by Women will discuss *Bent Road* by Lori Roy on Tuesday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

A Hill Museum and Manuscripts lecture, offered through the Academy for Faith and Life, will take place on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clare. RSVP to Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

"A Civil Conversation between Evangelicals and Mormons" with Richard Mouw and Robert Millet, a special Michigan Avenue Forum, will take place Tuesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

N. T. Wright, author and New Testament scholar who spoke at Fourth Church last fall, will be presenting this year's annual Christian Century lecture, "Paul for Tomorrow's World," on Friday, October 26. Registration details are available at www.christiancentury.org.

Mission and Outreach

Details about the 2013 South Africa mission trip are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html. Applications are due this Monday, October 1.

Chicago Lights Tutoring begins its forty-eighth year this week, with 400 students meeting one-to-one with their tutors here at the church one evening a week. See www.fourthchurch.org/chicagolights to learn more.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets, to be redeemed by those in need on the streets at a participating grocery store or restaurant, are available by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This Wednesday, October 3 Women@Fourth Connect will tie purple bows on the trees on Michigan Avenue to bring attention to the issue of domestic violence. To help, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Helping Hands, a mission group at Fourth Church, will meet this Wednesday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

Mission Trip Sunday is next Sunday, October 7. All are invited to visit Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour following morning worship that day to learn about Fourth Church mission trips for 2013.

A Peacemaking Offering will be received next Sunday, World Communion Sunday, to support the work of the Cameroon America AIDS Alliance and the Africa Circle of Hope Foundation.

Volunteers are still needed for Carnival, the annual mission benefit, which will be held Friday, February 22. For details, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@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.

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 Monday, October 8 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, October 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, October 28 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).

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.