



## World Communion Sunday

### 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*)

Leader: Beneath the mists of time, before the world began, beyond our understanding:

People: **In the beginning, God.**

Leader: Fathering history, mothering creation, parenting earth's people from the beginning:

People: **From the beginning, God.**

Leader: Expecting the right moment, preparing the right way,  
revealing the right person for each new beginning:

People: **For each new beginning, God.**

Leader: The Lord is with us.

People: **Let us worship God.**

**\*Opening Song** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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

**God, we give you thanks,  
for you have been with us from the beginning  
and will be with us until the end.  
Yet we confess that we have often doubted your presence  
or your goodwill for us,  
and we have struggled to see your place in our lives.  
In times of frustration or laziness,  
we have lapsed in our commitments to you  
and to our brothers and sisters.  
We have not loved well enough;  
we have been impatient and unforgiving;  
we have judged others unfairly;  
we have selfishly chased our own interests  
instead of putting others before ourselves.  
Forgive us, Lord.  
Renew our trust in you, and renew our hope for this world.  
Especially in times when we feel distanced from you,  
help our faith to remain strong.  
Hear now our silent prayers . . .**

**\*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 23

**Antiphon** (*sung by the congregation*)

God is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

God makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.

God renews my life  
and guides me along right pathways  
for the sake of God's Name.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**Antiphon**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup overflows.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of God  
forever.

**Antiphon**

**Scripture** Job 1:1; 2:1–10

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**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** “God Hath Not Promised Skies Always Blue”

*Grace Note Brothers*

**\*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** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

*African American spiritual*

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

**God of our life, we thank you that in Jesus Christ  
you have come into the world to be God with us,  
to live among us and to know the fears, the uncertainties,  
and the questions that are a part of human life.  
We thank you that along our journey  
you strengthen us with these your gifts of bread and wine,  
so that we may press on in faithful living, hoping for a better life,  
a fairer world, a more just tomorrow, for ourselves and for all people. Amen.**

## **Sending**

**\*Closing Song** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

**\*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  
**Edwin Estevez** Pastoral Resident  
**Holly McDaniel** Lay Liturgist  
**Lucy Smith Quartet**

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# News and Opportunities

## Volunteers and Donations

**Volunteers to lead a weekly seminar series** are needed to present on professional expertise in legal assistance, medical information, nutrition, job searches, housing rights, public benefits, life skills, and art appreciation. For information, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

### **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

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Men's sturdy clothes** in larger sizes

**Laptop computer**, less than five years old, capable of running Windows 7 Pro

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

## Music and the Arts

**An exhibit of art by members and staff** opens this Monday, October 8 in the Loggia. It will be on display through Wednesday, November 28.

**The Fourth Church Choral Society's** rehearsals are open to all singers in the community; the next rehearsal will be held on Thursday, October 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will perform Fauré's *Requiem* on November 4.

## Reflecting the Love of God

**Commitment Sunday** is Sunday, October 28. We invite you to please join, by that day, in pledging your commitment to support our call to reflect the love of God in the year ahead. Pledge cards for the 2013 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights can be found in the pew racks or completed at [www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal](http://www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal). For details, call Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380.

## News and Resources

**A church calendar** of the many opportunities available to you here at Fourth Church is available at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://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. To register, call 312.787.8425.

**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, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

**The Pastor Nominating Committee is hard at work** reviewing information about the 150-plus individuals who have either applied for the position of Pastor or been recommended by church members or by leaders—consulted by the PNC—in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and wider church. You can read about the entire PNC process, begun in February and expected to take up to eighteen months, at [www.fourthchurch.org/pnc](http://www.fourthchurch.org/pnc).



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## Enrichment

**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 next Sunday 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.

**Men’s Group** will gather for a lecture by Bill Schmidt, who will recount his pilgrimage in Spain, this 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.

“**Sleep Soundly,**” a wellness series offered through the Center for Life and Learning for adults sixty and more, will be held on Thursdays, October 11, 18, and 25 at 1:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

“**Caring for the Brain,**” the third annual Care, Coffee, and Comfort symposium hosted by Mental Health Ministry, will be held Saturday, October 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building. To register, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

“**Living as Global Disciples:** The Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations” will be the topic of a one-session class next Sunday, October 14 at 11:00 a.m. at the Clare (Rush and Pearson).

“**Saving the Sacred,**” a lecture with Father Columba Stewart of the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library, will take place on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clare. RSVP to Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

A “**Festival of Psalms**” will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Homewood the weekend of November 9–11. For details, see [www.fpchw.org](http://www.fpchw.org).

## Mission and Outreach

**2013 mission trips** include opportunities to visit Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Mexico, Haley Farm in Tennessee, and First Presbyterian Church here in Chicago. The deadline to register for the trip to Cuba, designed especially for those who enjoy singing, is Saturday, November 10. Details are available at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html).

**Save the date for Carnaval:** Friday, February 22 at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel (221 N. Columbus).

## 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.

**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 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.

## Fellowship

**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 will be held for adults sixty and more on Thursday, October 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the 737 building. To RSVP (required), contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) by this Tuesday, October 9.

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



## 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.fourthchurch.org)), our page on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto: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.