

Second Sunday in Lent



Gathering Music Choices Falling Grace

Mike Stern Steve Swallow

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 27 adaptation)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

People: Let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord;

be strong, and wait for the Lord!

Leader: Though an army encamps against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

People: Let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord;

be strong, and wait for the Lord!

Leader: For God will shelter me in the day of trouble; I will be concealed

under the cover of God's own tent and will be set high on a rock.

People: Let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord;

be strong, and wait for the Lord!

Leader: If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

People: Let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord;

be strong, and wait for the Lord!

Leader: Let us worship God.

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^{*}Opening Song "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Prayer of Confession

Antiphon (Psalm 142:1, sung by the congregation)

Leader: Forgive us, Lord,

when we make strangers enemies, when we make our friends foes,

when we do not welcome, do not reach out, and do not forgive.

Lord, have mercy.

Antiphon

Leader: Forgive us, Lord,

when we sink in self-pity and hide in humiliation,

when we reject our own identity,

when we do not see our own beauty and gifts.

Lord, have mercy.

Antiphon

Leader: Forgive us, Lord;

help us rediscover our true identity,

guide us to your loving truth about ourselves and our world,

encourage us on the journey of faith, and welcome us into your total freedom.

Lord, have mercy.

Antiphon

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 "We Shall Walk through the Valley in Peace"

Sacrament of Baptism

Unison Prayer

Holy God, remind us of the promises given in our own baptism and renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Acts 9:17–28 (page 119, N.T.)

Sermon Insiders and Outsiders Edwin Estevez

Song for Reflection "Have a Talk with God" Stevie Wonder and Calvin Hardaway

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "True Colors" Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly

*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!

SanctusLucy 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 "Lord, the Ancient Types and Symbols" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Prayer after Communion (unison)

At your table, there are no insiders and outsiders; all are welcome inside your home and at the feast, where friends and strangers, immigrants, natives, the unwanted, the invisible, the coveted, the excluded, the unlikely ones and the unlikeliest of ones, the vulnerable, the marginalized, believers, half-believers, and doubters, those with power and wealth and those without, enemies and friends, the good and the bad, each and every one is welcome, to taste your mercy and drink of your grace, and for this, we are ever grateful. Amen.



*Closing Song "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken"

*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

Edwin Estevez Pastoral Resident
Adam H. Fronczek Associate Pastor
Suzanne Elgendy Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet

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Baptism

The child being baptized this afternoon is Elizabeth Anne Burke, daughter of Daniel and Marjorie Burke.

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News and Opportunities

Lent

An Interfaith Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will take place on Tuesday, March 19 at 6:15 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available by calling Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Monday, March 11.

The Contemplative Retreat before Holy Week will be held Friday–Saturday, March 22–23 at The Well in La Grange Park. Details, including registration information, are available in the literature racks and by calling Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

Remember loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Friday, March 22 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks.

Music and the Arts

Chicago Ensemble will be in concert this Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Tickets are available at www.thechicagoensemble.org.

A CLL outing to A Grand Night for Singing, a musical revue of Rogers and Hammerstein's songs, will take place on Thursday, March 7. Adults sixty and more can register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

Volunteers and Donations

Gently used guitars and keyboards are being collected for the youth music program of the Hispanic Ministries Covenant of the Presbytery. For details, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

Current Volunteer Needs

Data entry person for the Urban Farm **A shopping aide** to assist guests at the EDSSC consumer choice food pantry on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Energetic individuals to share hobbies and activities with Chicago Lights Tutoring students, one evening a week, through March 7
 Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday nights

Dishwashers for Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Gently used clothes for a chronically ill ten-year-old girl

Men's winter clothes in larger sizes (coats, sweaters, pants, socks, boots, etc.)

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

Items for a new baby

For more information or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (Inicholson@fourthchurch.org).

Receive Lent devotions in your Facebook news feed

—and share them with your friends. Devotions for Lent, written by Fourth Church members and staff, are posted daily on Facebook. Simply "Like" www.facebook.com/fourthchurch to receive them. Devotions are also available to share via Twitter (@fourthchicago) and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).



News and Opportunities

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

Fourth Church Youth (grades 6–12) meet on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

The "Parenting in Faith" series continues with the workshop "How Do We Incorporate Bible Stories in Our Family Life?" next Sunday, March 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

Fellowship

Young Adults meets on Sundays for fellowship and discussion at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

ThirtiesForties will gather for fellowship this Thursday, February 28 at 5:30 p.m. at Cantina Laredo (508 N. State St.).

Cornerstones will meet for "Forgiveness from the World's Religions," led by Dirk Ficca, Friday, March 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. To RSVP, call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by February 27.

Fourth Dimension will gather for "Calendar Time, Sacred Time, Musical Time" on Friday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. To register (required in advance), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Tuesday, March 5.

Men's Group will meet for a presentation, led by Tom Schemper, on Saturday, March 9 at 8:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To register, call 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 6.

The Women@Fourth Connect Book Swap will be held on Saturday, March 16. For details, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Mission and Outreach

Thank you to everyone who supported Carnaval 2013! This annual gala benefits Chicago Lights, the community outreach arm of Fourth Church; the Center for Life and Learning; and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. To see how that support is changing lives, "Like" Chicago Lights on Facebook and sign up for email updates by sending addresses to chicagolights@fourthchurch.org.

A variety of mission opportunities are available, including trips to Mexico (May 14–21), Urban Plunge: Regeneration Chicago (May 17–19), and the Institute for Child Advocacy Ministry in Tennessee (July 14–19). There is also still room for those interested in going to Guatemala (July 6–14). Details are available in the literature racks, online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html, and by calling Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

Registered Chicago marathon runners will have opportunity to run for Chicago Lights this year and help support programs that provide educational and social services to more than 4,000 Chicagoans facing the challenges of poverty. For more information, contact Erin Strybis at 312.981.3596 (estrybis@fourthchurch.org).

A Fourth Church work team will be volunteering with Windy City Habitat for Humanity at their build site at 119th Street and Union Avenue on Saturday, March 23. For details or to join the work team, contact Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

Chicago Shares voucher booklets are available by contacting Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Worship

Walter Brueggemann will be preaching at Fourth Church next Sunday, March 3 during 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship.

The monthly Taizé service, held on the fourth Friday of the month, will next be held on Friday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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

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.

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays: "A Bible Study on the Letters and Travels of Paul," led by Adam Fronczek (Room 5G), and "Practicing the Sacred Art of Listening," led by Carol Allen (Room 5E), at 9:30 a.m. and "To Stand Alone—By Kierkegaard's Help," led by Randall Zachman (Room 5G), and "Reflections on the Civil War and the Reconciliation of Loss and Suffering," led by Claudia Boatright (Room 5F), at 11:00 a.m.

Fourth for Bridge will meet this Saturday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Christian Century discussion and study groups meet twice a month, with the next gathering on Wednesday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

News and Resources

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, information about upcoming events, an archive of sermons and prayers, photos, and much more.

As the Pastor Nominating Committee reported at the Annual Meeting, the PNC is in a several-month quiet phase as they review and research possible candidates for the position of Pastor. For details about the PNC process, see www. fourthchurch.org/pnc.

Inquirers' Class provides an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Monday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F, is also a prerequisite for membership.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship and news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter, News@FourthChurch, by sending email addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

Fourth Presbyterian Church strives to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

Fourth Church is on Twitter: @FourthChicago.

The Career Transitions Center of Chicago, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, offers a variety of programs and resources for those engaged in job searches or career transitions. For information, call 312.906.9908 or visit www.ctcchicago.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, March 11 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, April 15 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).

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).

If you are interested in considering baptism or membership at the 4:00 p.m. service at Fourth Presbyterian Church, please see Adam Fronczek or any pastor involved in the service. Information is available about the Baptism Seminar and Inquirers' Class, which are necessary for preparation. A monthly opportunity to be baptized or join the church at the 4:00 service is available on March 24 and April 28.

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.