

Easter Sunday

Gathering

Gathering Music Acknowledgment (Part 1 of *A Love Supreme*)

John Coltrane

Feeling Good

Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley

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.

Call to Worship "Hallelujah, Amen"

Nolan Williams Jr.

***Opening Song** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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.

Prayer of Confession

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

Leader: Great and wondrous God, on this day we hear the story of Jesus' resurrection and celebrate his victory over sin and death. Yet we confess that fear and doubt still linger in our hearts and minds. We are people of the world, looking for signs of your glory. We believe, God. Help our unbelief.

Antiphon

Leader: The resurrection of Jesus opens our eyes to new life. In Christ we find the hope of redemption and transformation, for ourselves and for the world. Yet our wills remain bound by sin. We choose death instead of life. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new spirits within us.

Antiphon

Leader: Because of fear, we do not embrace the redemptive power of your love. We ignore the poor, the hungry, and the homeless. We do not welcome those who live on the margins. We are complicit in oppression, injustice, and tyranny. Instead of peace, our lives are shaped by violence and conflict. Instead of unity, we maintain division and strife. God of compassion, help us to be born anew in Christ.

Antiphon

Leader: Gracious God of love, in the light of Easter our cries of confession are transformed into cries of hope. In the light of Christ we know there is nothing that cannot be done or undone; there is nothing that is beyond redemption and restoration; there is nothing that cannot be won by the power of your love. God of life, hear our cries of joy and thanks!

Antiphon

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.

***Sung Response** "We Shall Walk through the Valley in Peace"

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Luke 24:1–12 (page 84, N.T.)

Sermon Look for the Living Adam H. Fronczek

Musical Reflection "He Arose" *Traditional*

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" *John Hatton*

***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 "Spirit Song"

John Wimber

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Gracious God, we thank you that in these, your gifts of bread and cup,
we are reminded that life is all around us. We praise you for the way
your love sustains us. We thank you for your reminders that nothing
can defeat you—not even death. Send us out into the world as witnesses
to the good news of this day and every day. Amen.**

Sending

***Closing Song** “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

***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
Ernest Dawkins Saxophone

Members of the Morning Choir

Beena David, Dan Henry, Andrea Pokrefke, and Cole Seaton

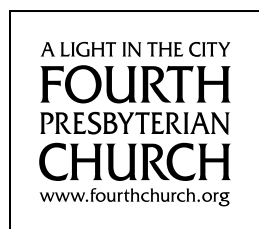
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News and Opportunities

A Special Welcome to Visitors Worshipping with Us Today

We are grateful you have joined us for this Easter celebration! We invite you to return to worship with us again and also to explore the many opportunities for education, fellowship, volunteering, and outreach available at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

These “News and Opportunities” pages list a variety of the programs and activities at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. More information about these programs can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Fourth Dimension will gather for “Native American Spirituality, Beliefs, Symbols, and Practices” on Friday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. To register (required in advance), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9.

Men’s Group will meet for a presentation on the Titanic, led by John Sherer, on Saturday, April 13 at 8:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To RSVP, call the reception desk at 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 10.

News and Resources

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) continues its work to identify a candidate to recommend as the next Pastor of Fourth Church. The committee is currently in the silent phase of the process, which includes researching, reviewing, and interviewing possible candidates. Information about that process and the PNC is posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc, as is a new post about the PNC’s use of devotions to guide the process.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:
(@FourthChicago).

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.

Fellowship

Cornerstones will meet for “The Real China Challenge,” presented by John Rogers, on Friday, April 5 at 6:00 p.m. To RSVP (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, April 3.

Young couples are invited to a post-Easter brunch on Sunday, April 7 at 8:30 a.m. at Fourth Church.

What are you missing . . .

. . . if you don’t have www.fourthchurch.org bookmarked or have yet to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch)? Photos of church life, including Palm Sunday, sermon and prayer excerpts, details about upcoming events such as Newsprov and the presentation by Jim Wallis and Eboo Patel—and all the latest news from Fourth Church!



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Mission and Outreach

The Guatemala, Mexico, “Urban Regeneration: Chicago,” and Tennessee mission trips each still have room for participants. Details are available in the literature racks and online.

Hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are being collected by Women@Fourth Connect. A list of items to be included is available from Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 and online.

A Blue Bows Interfaith Prayer Service will be held this Tuesday, April 2 at 8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. Afterwards volunteers will tie blue bows on our Michigan Avenue trees. To volunteer, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Newsprov for the Arts, comedy improv shows featuring local media personalities and benefiting Chicago Lights Academic Success in Schools, will be held on Friday evenings, April 5, 12, and 19 in Buchanan Chapel. Corey McPherrin will be this Friday’s media personality. A reception will be held at 7:00 p.m., and the performance will begin at 8:00 p.m. For ticket details, visit chicagolights.eventbrite.com.

“Learn How Advocacy Can Make a Difference,” a workshop cosponsored by the Mission Committee and Protestants for the Common Good, will take place on Monday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. To register, visit www.thecommongood.org.

Lobby Day in Springfield for commonsense gun laws is on Thursday, April 11. Those interested in forming a Fourth Church group to take part are asked to call Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

A forum on gun violence and a screening of the documentary *Trigger* will be held on Saturday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

Current Volunteer Needs

Servers for Monday and fourth Friday suppers, 3:30–6:15 p.m.

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

Double paper/plastic bags with handles for Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

Men's study winter/spring clothes in larger sizes (coats, jackets, sweaters, shirts, pants, etc.)

For more information or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html.

Worship

Moderator of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Neal Presa will be preaching at the 4:00 p.m. jazz service on Sunday, April 21. J. Randall O'Brien, President of Carson-Newman University, will be preaching at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services that day.

Morning Prayer is held this week on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in the Sanctuary at 9:30 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.

News and Opportunities

Music and the Arts

To sing in the Dave Brubeck Tribute Concert on May 19, join the Fourth Church Choral Society for Thursday evening rehearsals beginning April 11.

“Last Supper: A Community Art Project for Holy Week” is on display in the Loggia.

This week King’s College Choir from Cambridge, England, will be in concert on Wednesday, April 3 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For a 20 percent discount on concert tickets, enter the promotion code Choir20% when ordering online from concert cosponsor Symphony Center Presents at www.cso.org or by phone at 312.294.3000. (*Discount does not apply to previously purchased tickets.*)

Enrichment

Fourth for Bridge will meet this Saturday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. at a member’s home. For details, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

A workshop on Tonglen, a Buddhist meditation practice, will be held on Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on the third floor of Parish House. To register, call 312.787.8425.

New Academy for Faith and Life classes begin Sunday, April 14: “Ways to Pray,” led by Vicky Curtiss and Niala Boodhoo, and “Where Faith Meets Politics,” led by Edwin Estevez, at 9:30 a.m. and “Why Presbyterians Do the Things We Do,” led by Hardy Kim, and “Biblical Women with Bad Reputations,” led by Judy Watt, at 11:00 a.m.

Jim Wallis and Eboo Patel will talk on Wednesday, April 24 at 12:00 noon in Buchanan Chapel about how a renewed commitment to the common good can transform public life.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes for children age four through fifth grade are held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

Fourth Church Youth gatherings for Elevation (grades 6–7), Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation), and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) are held on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room of the Gratz Center.

Eighth graders will be confirmed next Sunday, April 7 at 11:00 a.m. worship.

“Praying as a Family” will be the topic of the Sunday, April 14 “Parenting in Faith” conversation at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G of the Gratz Center. For details, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

The annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for youth summer work camp trips will take place Sunday, April 28 in the Borwell Dining Room. Tickets will be available on Sunday, April 14.

Our last Spring Family Camp at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, will be held the weekend of Friday, May 31 through Sunday, June 2. For details, contact Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578 (dholladay@fourthchurch.org).

New Moms’ Groups are meeting at Fourth Church on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. For more information or to RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@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 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, April 15 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.;
Saturday, April 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon;
or Monday, May 6 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](https://www.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 April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, and October 27.

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.