



Reformation Sunday

Gathering

Gathering Music "Freedom Jazz Dance" Eddie Harris
"Across the Universe". John Lennon and Paul McCartney

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: Friends, we are all called and loved as God's children.

**People: There is one baptism, one love, and one God,
in whom we live and move and have our being.**

Leader: We are called by God to be the Church of Jesus Christ,
a sign in the world today of the new life that God intends for all.

**People: In our life together,
we are to display the new reality
that sin is forgiven, reconciliation is possible,
and the dividing walls of hostility can be torn down.**

Leader: As the living body of Christ, the church is called
to proclaim the good news of salvation,
to present the claims of the gospel on people's lives,
and to demonstrate Christ's love in service to the world.

**People: In faith we embrace
a new openness to what God is doing in our time,
a renewed obedience to our Lord Jesus Christ,
and a new joy in our common worship and work.**

Leader: Here in this place we claim our historic calling
and remember the great ends of the church:

**People: the proclamation of the gospel
for the salvation of humankind;
the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship
of the children of God;
the maintenance of divine worship;
the preservation of the truth;
the promotion of social righteousness;
and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.
Amen.**

***Opening Song** "God Is Here!"

Guided Meditation: Examen

Welcoming New Members

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As beloved children of God, let us not be strangers to one another,
but siblings 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** "Reach Out Your Hand in Peace" *Lucy Smith*

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1–12. (*Old Testament, page 184*)

Sermon The View from the Mountaintop *John W. Vest*

Musical Reflection

Sealing the Word

Offertory Music "Imagine" *J. Lennon*

Sharing of Gifts (*Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.*)

***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 "Follow the Drinking Gourd" *African American spiritual*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God of grace and love,
at this sacred table you have shared with us
holy mysteries through bread that is broken
and a cup that is shared.
Send us from this place
with a vision of the world as it should be.
Fill us with your Spirit
and transform us into the people you created us to be.
And may the love we receive from you
overflow from our lives into the lives of others.
Amen.**



Sending

***Closing Song** "Be Thou My Vision"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

John W. Vest	Associate Pastor
Elizabeth Nickerson	Worship Leader
Lesley Conzelman	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Jon Deitemyer, drums Bryan Doherty, bass Marcin Fahmy, piano

A note on inclusive language

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God is 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 Note

Today is Commitment Sunday, a day when we join together to pledge our commitment to the 2015 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, that this community might continue to proclaim the mighty acts of God and be a light for this city.

Acknowledgments

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News and Opportunities

Worship

Today is Reformation Sunday, a day when we recall the rich heritage in the Protestant tradition. The Presbyterian Church (USA) grew out of the Reformation of the sixteenth century under leaders such as John Calvin and John Knox. It was on October 31, 1517, that Martin Luther posted his ninety-five theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany, the watershed event sparking the Reformation. Reformation Day is also a day when we remember and give thanks for Reformation leaders and all others who have kept the faith.

A hosted labyrinth walk on All Saints' Day, with opportunity to meditate upon the people of faith who have gone before us, will be held on Saturday, November 1 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

A Requiem service will be held on All Saints' Sunday, November 2, when we remember the faithful who have gone before us. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2014 will be read during morning worship. Morten Lauridsen's *Lux Aeterna* will be sung during the special communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by email from devotions@fourthchurch.org

Commitment Sunday

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2015 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, a day when we celebrate all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives. We are grateful to all who have already made a pledge to the 2015 Annual Appeal. Those who have not yet completed a 2015 giving response card are invited to do so this afternoon. Giving response cards are available in the pew racks and online. For more information, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; one evening a week, Monday–Thursday

Audio recording equipment operators for Sunday worship services

In2it Cafe instructors for Chicago Lights Tutoring; one evening a week

Current Donation Needs

Colorful tablecloths for Sunday Night Supper

Men's and women's sturdy, fall clothes

Nonperishable food items for the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

For details or to volunteer, visit www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html

Want to make your 2015 pledge online?

Simply scan the QR code at right with any smartphone or go to <http://bit.ly/fpcgiving>, where you can enter your pledge for the 2015 Annual Appeal "All In!"

On that page you can also make 2014 gifts to support the life-giving worship, mission, education, fellowship, outreach, music, and caring ministries of this church that we are together.



News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

A Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Fair, sponsored by the Mission Committee, will be held this Wednesday, October 29 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

Supplies for unaccompanied immigrant children are being collected by the Mission Committee through November 2. A full list of items needed is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/events.html

The purple bows on the trees outside the Manse are our annual public witness, during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to all those affected by domestic abuse. Volunteers are needed to help remove the bows on Monday, November 3. To help, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

“Bring-a-buddy” discounted tickets for GLOW, the annual Chicago Lights Associates Board gala, are available at bit.ly/clglow2014. GLOW will be held on Saturday, November 8 at 8:00 p.m. at the Museum of Contemporary Art.

All moms are invited to join the Benevolent Guild, which brings together individuals interested in creating stuffed animals for hospitalized children. The Guild gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B for crafting and fellowship. For more information, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Details about 2015 mission trips to Cuba, Haiti, Tanzania, Guatemala, and the U.S. Midwest are available in the literature racks, online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html, or by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815. The deadline to register for the Cuba and Haiti trips is December 15.

News and Resources

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 2. Be sure to set clocks back an hour.

Those interested in serving as a Stephen Minister—providing one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times—are invited to “A Taste of Stephen Ministry” on Sunday, November 16 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To RSVP, call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448.

Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on news, and access resources, including sermons and prayers.

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

Fourth Church is on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes are held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Youth in grades 6 through 12 gather on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Smorgasbord of Schools will be held on Sunday, November 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Borwell Dining Room. Families are invited to come learn about elementary schools in Chicago.

News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes held on Sundays are “Zombie Revolution: Beliefs about the Dead, the Undead, and the Living,” led by Clare Rothschild, at 9:30 a.m. and “The Power of Holiness,” led by Tom Dozeman, at 11:00 a.m., both on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center.

“**Grow in Your Faith,**” a series for parents, will be held next Sunday, November 2 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

Learn more about our new hymnal, *Glory to God,* on Sunday, November 2 at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary as John Sherer introduces us to the hymnal we will begin using on November 30.

“**Psychology and Faith,**” a three-week class led by Elinor Hite and Tom Schemper, begins on Sunday, November 9 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G. Register online at www.fourthchurch.org/academy

Fellowship

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

Knitting and Crocheting will next gather this Tuesday, October 28 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 4K for a time of fellowship, to drop off items, and to pick up material for new projects. Items are then donated to families in shelters and hospitals.

Fourth for Bridge will meet this Saturday, November 1 at 7:30 p.m. at a member’s home. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Cornerstones will gather for “Architecture in Chicago and Asia” on Friday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. To register (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, November 5.

Music and the Arts

The Choral Society and the Chicago Chamber Orchestra will perform Schubert’s *Mass in G* this Thursday, October 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A \$20 donation will be received at the door.

Organist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A complete schedule of upcoming concerts is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/concerts

“**Art from Esperanza,**” on display in the Loggia, features the work of program participants from Esperanza Community Services, which supports children and adults with developmental challenges. An artists’ reception will be held on Sunday, November 2 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Loggia.

Save the date: “A Chanticleer Christmas” concert will be held on Tuesday, December 2 and Wednesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.cso.org

Those who would like to receive *Music Notes*, a weekly email newsletter about music at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to music@fourthchurch.org.

Light, the latest CD featuring the Fourth Church choirs, is available online through iTunes or CDBaby or by contacting Ryan Loeckel at rloeckel@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 read aloud during 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 Judith 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.

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 left-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, November 3, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, December 1, 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

Church, please contact Liz Nickerson (312.573.3366; lnickerson@fourthchurch.org) 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 November 23 and December 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.

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