



Gathering

Gathering Music "Alabama" John Coltrane
"Pride (In the Name of Love)" U2

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: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Leader: Do not put your trust in mortals, but put your trust in God.

People: Happy are those whose help is the Lord.

Leader: God made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

**People: God keeps faith forever, executes justice for the oppressed,
and gives food to the hungry.**

Leader: God sets the prisoners free, opens the eyes of the blind,
and lifts up those who are down.

**People: God watches over strangers, cares for orphans and widows,
and provides shelter for the homeless.**

Leader: Let us worship the God of justice!

People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

***Opening Song** "Come! Live in the Light!"

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.
The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.
Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***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

Psalter Psalm 139:1–18 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **I praise you for I am wonderfully made,
I praise you for I am fearfully made.**

Leader: God, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You trace my journeying and my resting
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O God, know it altogether.
You press upon me, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is a mystery I cannot fathom.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **I praise you for I am wonderfully made,
I praise you for I am fearfully made.**

Leader: Where can I go then from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
If I climb up to heaven, you are there;
if I make the grave my bed, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand will lead me
and your right hand hold me fast.
If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me,
and the light around me turn to night,"
darkness is not dark to you;
night is as bright as day;
darkness and light are the same.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **I praise you for I am wonderfully made,
I praise you for I am fearfully made.**

Leader: For you created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I thank you because I am wonderfully and fearfully made;
your works are wonderful. I know it well.
My body was not hidden from you,
while I was made in secret,
and woven in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes beheld my limbs, unfinished in the womb;
they were written in your book;
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.
How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
How great is the sum of them!
I count them, but they number like sand;
my life span would need to be like yours to count them.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **I praise you for I am wonderfully made,
I praise you for I am fearfully made.**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 1:43–51 (*New Testament, page 87*)

Sermon “Can Anything Good Come Out Of...?” John W. Vest

Musical Reflection



Sealing the Word

Offertory Music “They Say I Look Like God” *Dave and Iola Brubeck*

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 “Keep Your Eyes on the Prize” *Alice Wine*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Amazing God of Grace,
you come into our ordinary lives
through ordinary things like bread and juice.
We are ordinary people
that have been transformed
by extraordinary love.
Send us out into the world
to share this love with others
as we work together
to bring about peace and reconciliation. Amen.**



Sending

***Closing Song** “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

John W. Vest	Associate Pastor
Layton Williams	Pastoral Resident
Jennifer Pickard	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Michael Caskey, drums Marcin Fahmy, piano Patrick Mulcahy, bass

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.

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News and Opportunities

More information about news and upcoming events at Fourth Church is available in the *News and Opportunities* publication in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/news

Music and the Arts

The scaffolding in the South Balcony will be in place (and the balcony closed to seating) through late March as work is done on the southwest pipe chamber. This is in preparation for the installation of the rebuilt pipe organ, which will take place in late 2015. For details, see www.fourthchurch.org/music/organ

The St. Olaf Choir will be in concert on Saturday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.bit.ly/1Hh3enl

Mission and Outreach

The Multicultural Committee invites you to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. at two upcoming events: "Faith in Action Assembly," sponsored by Community Renewal Society, will be held this Monday, January 19 at 10:00 a.m. at Liberty Baptist Church (4849 S. Martin Luther King Dr.). RSVP with Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org). The one-woman play "The MLK Project: Fight for Civil Rights" will be held this Tuesday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Park Community Church (1001 N. Crosby St.). No RSVP is necessary for this free show.

Music and the Arts

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of most months, will next be held this Friday, January 23 in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Enrichment

"Fifteen Days of Free Liberal Arts Education" describes the January Series of lectures offered by Calvin College and shown via live Internet video feed in the Page Smith Room on weekdays through January 27. For more information about the series and speakers, visit www.calvin.edu/january

New Academy for Faith and Life classes begin on Sunday, February 8: "Experiencing the Word of God through Bible Stories," led by Tom Payne, at 9:30 a.m. on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center and "The Impact of American Slavery on African American Spirituals: From Sounds of Defiance to Sounds of Liberation," led by A. Alyce Claerbaut, at 2:45 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. For more information or to register, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy

Learn about Chicago Lights and the Gala of Hope!

Visit the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org) to learn about Chicago Lights programs—and to make early-bird reservations for the Gala of Hope, which supports the life-changing difference made by those programs and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Details are online at www.bit.ly/GalaOfHope



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, February 2, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, March 2, 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 January 25 and February 22.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$10. 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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