



Gathering Music "Peace". Horace Silver
"Everything Must Change". Bernard Ighner

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: O God, who called all life into being,

People: the earth, sea, and sky are yours.

Leader: Your presence is all around us;

People: every atom is full of your energy.

Leader: Your Spirit enlivens all who walk the earth;

People: with her we yearn for justice to be done,

Leader: for creation to be freed from bondage,

People: for the hungry to be fed,

Leader: for captives to be released,

People: for your reign of peace to come on earth.

* Stand as you are able

***Opening Song** “Come All You People (*Uyai Mose*)”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Forgive us, Jesus,
when we cling to the familiar,
block the possibilities,
and insist on the old ways,
even if those old ways make no sense anymore.
Forgive the fears
that bind us to the past
and keep us from living as new creations.
Teach us instead
to trust the Spirit’s leading,
to risk new expressions,
to offer this day and this night in worship,
knowing your love is there on every path. 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*

Reach out your hand in peace. Reach out your hand in peace.
Reach out your hand in peace. In re-turn you'll feel God's love.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 62:5–12 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **For you alone I wait in silence.**

Leader: For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.
God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold; I shall not be shaken.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **For you alone I wait in silence.**

Leader: In God is my safety and my honor,
my rock of strength, my refuge.
Put your trust in God always, O people;
pour out your hearts, for God is our refuge.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **For you alone I wait in silence.**

Leader: Those of high degree are mere breath;
those of low estate are an illusion.
On the scales together
they are lighter than a breath.
Put no trust in extortion;
in robbery take no empty pride;
if wealth increases, set not your heart upon it.
God has spoken once, twice have I heard it;
that power belongs to God.
Steadfast love is yours, O God,
for you repay everyone according to deeds.

ANTIPHON (*unison*): **For you alone I wait in silence.**

Scripture Reading

Selections from Jonah 3 (*Old Testament, page 811*)

Sermon Shannon J. Kershner

Musical Reflection



Sealing the Word

Offertory Music "Simple Gifts" *Joseph Brackett*

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

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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*)

**There are no limits
to the gifts you have given us,
gracious Lord.
Now we return thanks to you
for these gifts.
We thank you for the gift
of your presence in our quiet.
We thank you for the gift
of your presence in our music.
We thank you for the gift
of your presence in each other.
As we leave this place tonight,
may we be daring, faithful parts of your work
of love and mercy to this world.
Amen.**



Sending

***Closing Song** "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Shannon J. Kershner	Pastor
Elizabeth Nickerson	Interim Director of Worship
Judy Kerch	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Michael Caskey, 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.

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News and Opportunities

News and Resources

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, February 8 following 11:00 worship. As part of the meeting, the congregation will elect new officers. All members are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided.

A congregational luncheon will follow the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, February 8. Tickets for this intergenerational, Italian-themed meal held in Borwell Dining Room are available at the reception desk.

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

Visit the Fourth Church page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch) for worship and church life information. If you have a Facebook account, “like” Fourth Church to keep up-to-date!

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Worship

Fourth Church youth will be leading worship and helping serve Communion during 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship next Sunday, Youth Sunday, February 1.

Music and the Arts

Piano and Poetry Meditations, with pianist John W. W. Sherer and narrator Jean Marie Koon, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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

Mission and Outreach

Knitting and Crocheting will next gather this Tuesday, January 27 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 4K.

An orientation session for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held on Thursday, February 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4J. RSVP online at bit.ly/cltutoring2015

Early-bird tickets to Gala of Hope, in support of Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, are available through February 6. Reserve tickets to this March 6 benefit at www.bit.ly/GalaOfHope. Tickets are selling fast and seating is limited, so don’t wait to make your reservations!

Applications for 2015 mission trips Cuba, “Racial Reconciliation,” and Guatemala are due February 8, February 15, and April 11, respectively. Application details are available in the literature racks and online.

Have You Entered the Spring Splendor Drawing?

Dinner at Chef Jean Joho’s Everest. A suite at the Park Hyatt. A backstage tour of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and front-row balcony seating for the April 18 performance of works by Rachmaninov and Shostakovich. Brunch at NoMi. Drawing tickets for this fabulous April 18 package—available at bit.ly/GalaOfHope—benefit Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center.



News and Opportunities

Enrichment

A **“Gong Healing Meditation”** session, offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held this Tuesday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

Christian Century Study Groups meet every other Wednesday, beginning February 4, at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

“Dying to Know: Life-Affirming Conversations about Living and Dying Well,” offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held on Saturday, February 28 at Fourth Church. Registration information, which is due by February 20, is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/rc

“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. 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. For more information or to register, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy

Children, Youth, and Family

The Souper Bowl of Caring to alleviate hunger will be held next Sunday, February 1. That morning, youth will collect cans of soup and monetary contributions to benefit the food pantry of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center.

A **“Faith Formation” workshop** for parents to grow in their faith will be held next Sunday, February 1 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

The **“Religion in Interfaith Homes”** series will begin next Sunday, February 1 at 1:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center with discussion of “Planning Your Wedding and Preparing for Marriage.”

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring; one evening a week, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Audio recording operators on Sunday mornings
Helpers to assist with the Identity Arts program and Melting Pot Cooking Club at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm

Current Donation Needs

Clean blankets for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Share Shop

Men’s and women’s sturdy winter clothes

Individually wrapped food items

A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html

Fellowship

Young Adults gathers on Sundays for fellowship and discussion at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. They will also meet for a social hour this Thursday, January 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Galway Bay (500 W. Diversey Ave.).

Cornerstones will meet for “Preventing Gun Violence: Causes and Potential Remedies” on Friday, February 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To register (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, February 4.

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 February 22 and March 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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