



Second Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Gathering Music "Skyscape" Joe Utterback
"Jubilee" J. Utterback

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.

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 page 12.

*Calling Together

Leader: Jesus Christ, you meet us; your hands still holed
but your breath warm and your conversation engaging.
Death has not changed your accent nor diminished your love.
And though the world should still show signs of its imperfection,
the good news is that you have destined it and all its people to be made whole.

**All: So, as on Easter evening,
we are gathered in your house and cheered by your gospel,
join us, as you joined your first disciples,
and make our worship a time and place
for meeting you. Amen.**

* Stand as you are able

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Litany of Confession

Leader: Lord Jesus, here are your disciples—

All: your wounded hands and feet in the world today are ours.

Leader: At times we have been the frightened ones,
staying at a distance, worried about our safety or our reputations.

**All: But you come close to us, bringing peace and challenge,
unlocking our potential, and setting us free.**

Leader: At times we have been the doubting ones, when creeds conflict or certainty has evaded us.

**All: But you come close to us and allow us to speak our minds,
accepting us and setting us free.**

Leader: At times we have been the confused ones,
feeling far from you with questions that don't have answers.

All: So, in this evening, after your resurrection we listen for your voice.

(please hold silence)

Leader: The risen Christ says to us, "Peace be with you. As God has sent me, so I am sending you."
As the body of Christ, we join our voices to answer.

**All: Through our fear, through our doubt, through our confusion,
may we continue Jesus' work as we travel many roads,
liberated and united by the love of the resurrected one. 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 family in Christ.

Please stand and greet each other with the peace of Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

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 118:14–29 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Leader: God is my strength and my song and has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of God has triumphed! The right hand of God is exalted!

The right hand of God has triumphed!"

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Leader: I shall not die but live, and declare the works of God. God has punished me sorely but did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and praise God. "This is the gate of God; those who are righteous may enter."

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Leader: I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.
The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is God's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that God has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it. Hosanna, God, hosanna! God, send us now success.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God; we bless you from the house of God.
God is God who has shined upon us; form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar. "You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you."
Give thanks to God, who is good; whose mercy endures forever.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Scripture Reading

John 20:19–31. (*New Testament, page 108*)

Sermon "The Courage of 'Doubting' Thomas". *Hardy H. Kim*

Responding to the Word

*Musical Reflection

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

Offertory Music "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" *African American Spiritual*

***Doxology**. *Lucy Smith*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: 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 "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow". *Ira F. Stanphill*

Closing Responses

Leader: Today and tomorrow.

All: Today and tomorrow.

Leader: Lo, I am with you always.

All: When we try to do your will—

Leader: I am with you always.

All: When we go where we do not know—

Leader: I am with you always.

All: When we meet one we do not recognize—

Leader: I am with you always.

All: Where faith ends and doubt begins—

Leader: I am with you always.

All: And should we forget you—

Leader: I am with you always.

All: Today and tomorrow. Today and tomorrow.

You are with us always to the end of the world. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Song.** "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

*Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim	Associate Pastor
Nanette Sawyer	Minister for Congregational Life
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Michael Caskey, drums Bryan Doherty, bass Marcin Fahmy, piano
John W. W. Sherer	Organist and Director of Music

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

Mission and Outreach

The blue bows on the trees outside the Manse are our public witness, during National Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month, to all those affected by child abuse.

To join a small, interracial group that engages in dialogue to address racism, please contact Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598).

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago Ave.) holds open volunteer hours on Saturdays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

An orientation session for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Thursday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4J. RSVP online at www.bit.ly/tutorwinter15

The Interfaith Coalition Against Racism (ICAR) will host a call to action presented by Jamie Kalven, human rights activist and journalist, on Sunday, April 17 at 2:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Fourth Church plans to sponsor a refugee family in 2016. To help, please attend an orientation on April 20 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F or contact Vicky Curtiss at vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org (312.981.3598).

Worship

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday and Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

The 11:30 a.m. Easter service can be viewed online at www.bit.ly/FPCEaster2016

Those who worship at 8:00 a.m. are invited to share with the Worship, Music, and Arts Committee what they particularly appreciate about the 8:00 service, as we look to make that service even more meaningful for those worshipping at that time. Please join the conversation next Sunday, April 10 at 9:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

The next Taizé service will be Friday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Peter Macdonald, leader of the Iona Community in Scotland, will be our guest preacher next Sunday, April 10 at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Following the 11:00 service that day, there will be opportunity for conversation with Mr. Macdonald in Borwell Dining Room, as he talks about Iona's international ecumenical Christian movement.

From our joyous Easter celebration for all ages to a peek inside the pipe chamber high above the Great East Window to reminders of things for which we are thankful—you can find online fun pictures of the life that daily fills this place. Visit www.facebook.com/fourthchurch (which you can view even if you don't have a Facebook account) to get glimpses of Fourth Church mission and ministry in action!



News and Opportunities

Fellowship

Christian Century Study Groups will next meet Wednesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fourth Dimension will gather for “The Case for Permaculture” this Friday, April 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To register (*required*), visit www.bit.ly/4DApril or contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org by this Wednesday, April 6.

Your input on fellowship and programming opportunities in which you would like to participate at Fourth Church will be the subject of a short survey being emailed to members in the coming week. Please take a moment to share your thoughts with the Congregational Life Committee!

Young Adults gather on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. A young adults retreat will be held Friday–Sunday, May 6–8 in New Buffalo, Michigan.

Children, Youth, and Family

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

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

“Parenting over Pizza,” a time for parents to connect over lunch, will be held next Sunday at 12:00 noon in Room 4G. For details, contact Briana Belding-Peck at bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org

Spring Family Camp will be Friday, May 20–Sunday, May 22.

Enrichment

Three Academy for Faith and Life classes continue next Sunday: “Making Social Action Sustainable” at 9:30 a.m.; “Bonhoeffer’s Black Jesus” at 11:00 a.m.; and “Weaving the Human and the Divine” at 12:15 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center.

Men’s Bible study will meet this Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

A panel discussion on religious diversity will be held Wednesday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Eboo Patel will moderate the discussion. To help with this free event, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

Books by Women will discuss *Can’t We Talk about Something More Pleasant?* by Roz Chast next Tuesday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Presbyterian Women’s Horizons Bible study will next meet Wednesday, April 13 at 12:00 noon in Room 4H.

“SoulCollage®,” a workshop led by Vicky Curtiss and offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held next Saturday, April 16 at 9:00 a.m. in Boyle Conference Room. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

“Self-Search on the Path to Dying and Death: A Conversation with Phil Kennedy” will be hosted by the Replogle Center on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. A light supper will be served. To register, call 312.787.8425.

“Aging into Possibility,” a conference of the Replogle Center done in partnership with the Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Saturday, April 30 in Buchanan Chapel. For details or to register, visit www.bit.ly/ageconf2016

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

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

On-call aides to help Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center guests select groceries from the Consumer Choice food pantry.

Sunday School teachers for fourth- and fifth-grade classes during 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship services

“Good Neighbors” for daytime street outreach on Mondays and Fridays

Hosts to serve refreshments during Coffee Hour after worship services

Ushers for the 11:00 a.m. worship service

Audio-video recorders for the 11:00 a.m. worship service

Physicians, nurses, or pharmacists to serve as medical resources to guests of Sunday Night Supper; Sundays, 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Dining Room helpers for Monday Night Supper

Nursery caregivers on Sundays at the 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship services

Cooks to prepare and serve supper to residents of a Lincoln Park shelter on a sign-up basis

Current Donation Needs

Small women’s Depends pull-ups

Men’s and women’s spring clothes

Travel-size toiletry items

Individually wrapped food items for sack lunches

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

Music and the Arts

The Tallis Scholars, a world-renowned *a cappella* ensemble from the United Kingdom, will be in concert this Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For tickets, visit www.cso.org

The Fourth Church Choral Society invites singers to the first rehearsal for Mozart’s *Mass in C Minor* this Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Organist Scott Montgomery will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Lakeside Singers will be in concert Friday, April 8 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available from www.lakesidesingers.com

The next organ dedication concert will feature organist Paul Carr, from Birmingham, England, this Saturday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. Then on Monday, May 16, Aaron David Miller, composer and former Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will present a concert at 7:30 p.m.

News and Resources

Inquirers’ Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which is a prerequisite for membership, meets this Monday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F.

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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. 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 4 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, May 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) or go to www.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 Hardy Kim (hkim@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 April 24 or May 22.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up from the Chestnut Street reception desk.

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