

**Gathering Music**

- \*Call to Worship** . . . . . Selections from “Still I Rise” by Maya Angelou
- \*Opening Song** . . . . . “Jesus Christ Has Risen Today”

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## **We Tell the Truth about Ourselves**

### **Litany of Confession**

God of new beginnings, you call us to be an Easter people,  
**and yet we live in the shadow of doubt and fear.**

In your mercy,  
**God forgive us.**

We long to be an Easter people,  
**and yet we are bound by ways that lead to death,  
neglecting the poor, the hungry, and those who mourn.**

By your power,  
**God revive us.**

You call us to be an Easter people,  
**and yet we create injustice for the oppressed, silence peacemakers,  
and trample without care on the earth you created.**

By your love,  
**God reform us.**

### **God Forgives and Blesses Us**

In Jesus Christ,  
**we are forgiven.**

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.*

### **Welcome**

## We Proclaim the Story

### Prayer for Illumination

**Psalter** (*sung*). . . . . “Make a Joyful Noise” (Psalm 66)

**Scripture** . . . . . Matthew 28:1–10

**Sermon** . . . . . *Joseph L. Morrow*

## **We Offer Ourselves**

### **Musical Reflection**

### **Sharing of Gifts**

*In gratitude for the love and grace extended to us by God, we share our resources to support ministries of justice, mercy, and beauty. Please place your gifts and pledges in the plate as it passes.*

### **Offertory Music**

**\*Gloria** ..... “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

## **We Feast Together**

### **The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

**Sanctus** ..... “Holy, Holy, Holy”

## **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**

*We celebrate an open table. All, including children, are invited to the Lord’s Table to receive Communion. You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.*

## We Go Out with Gratitude

### **\*Prayer of Thanksgiving** (*unison*)

Holy God, in our meal we have met you as the Crucified and Risen One.

Be with us now and strengthen us as we go from this place.

Help us share your good news with great daring and faithfulness,  
with fear banished from our hearts.

May we live with enthusiasm and hope

until the whole world joins in gratitude, singing "Alleluia!" Amen.

**\*Closing Song** ..... "Christ Is Alive"

**\*Benediction**

**Sending Music**

## Worship Leaders

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**Clyde Yancy** Lay Liturgist

**The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet**

### 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

**We are grateful you have joined us for this Easter celebration**, and we hope we might have opportunity to worship with you again. ✱ Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice. ✱ The **live stream of the 11:30 a.m. Easter service will be online** at [www.bit.ly/FPCworship](http://www.bit.ly/FPCworship) (and accessible at [fourthchurch.org](http://fourthchurch.org)) to view in the days ahead. ✱ Come explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Presbyterian Church!



**Each Sunday we come together to worship** at 8:00 (Communion), 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and at 4:00 p.m. for a jazz Communion service here in Buchanan Chapel. ✱ This week we will also gather on Friday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel for a contemplative candlelight **Taizé** prayer service, which is preceded by opportunity to walk a **labyrinth** in Anderson Hall. ✱ Looking ahead, we encourage you to mark Sunday, May 26 on your calendar as the day when **Father Elias Chacour**, internationally recognized for his reconciliation work in the Middle East, will be our guest preacher at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.



In baptism, the congregation pledges to support the children and youth of the church. We will have two special opportunities to live out that pledge next Sunday, April 28. During 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship we will present **Bibles to fourth graders**, and at the 11:00 **Confirmation service** we will welcome the eighth-grade confirmands into the wider life of the congregation. Please keep all these youth in prayer as they continue with us on their faith journey. ✱ In another occasion for growing in faith, families will gather for the annual **Family Communion Service** next Sunday at 12:15 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel, as they learn about and participate in Communion together.



Believing that as people of God we are called to lovingly care for the world with which we've been entrusted, our worship on Sunday, May 5 will focus on our commitment to **care for creation**. ✱ The Sunday beforehand, on April 28, we will screen the film **Climate Refugees** at 12:30 p.m. ✱ Two "recycling" opportunities are also coming up. Our **Bike Drive** on Saturday, May 11 (9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) will collect used bicycles and parts for repair and distribution to those in need of a means of transportation here in Chicago as well as in Africa and Latin America. ✱ **Women at Fourth's Jewelry Swap** on Thursday, April 25 at 5:30 p.m. provides opportunity to clean out jewelry drawers, pick up some new-to-you accessories, and raise funds for those in need.



**Travel with Fourth Church this October!** Sign up by May 1 if you are interested in our **Racial Equity Council's civil rights movement trip** to Alabama and Mississippi (Oct. 26–Nov. 2), or our **Reformation trip to Europe** (Oct. 2–13) with Judy Watt and Lucy Forster-Smith.



**We are looking for people who like to sing** to join the Fourth Church Choral Society, which will begin rehearsals this Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m. in preparation for performing **John Rutter's Gloria** with Tower Brass on Friday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. \* Another concert to mark on your calendar is a Saturday, June 22 **performance by Cole Seaton** as part of this year's **Encore** (5:00–7:30 p.m.), the annual benefit to support the work of the **Center for Life and Learning**, our weekday program for adults sixty and over.



**Come learn with us!** We have two new classes beginning next Sunday, April 28: **"Meditating on the Psalms"** with Stephen Hall at 9:30 a.m. and **"Marilynne Robinson's The Givenness of Things"** with Jeff Doane at 11:00 a.m. \* Then on Sunday, May 5 at 12:15 p.m., **"Widening Our Welcome,"** the Fourth Church LGBTQIA Group, is consponsoring a presentation on **"Why We March: Stonewall to Today."** \* For the youngest among us, our Day School weekday preschool program is still accepting applications for fall 2019.



**Are you a walker? A runner?** The Racial Equity Council is raising funds for antiracism work through the GospelRun on Saturday, June 1. Walkers and runners are needed as are donations in support of them. Those running the Chicago Marathon are invited to join the **Chicago Lights Marathon Team** in support of our nonprofit community outreach arm, Chicago Lights, and its five programs: Tutoring, Summer Day, Dance Academy, Urban Farm, and Social Service Center.



Several opportunities to **share fellowship and connect** with one another are on our calendar in the weeks ahead, from the monthly **LGBTQIA brunch** at 12:15 p.m. next Sunday, April 28 to the **Cornerstones** gathering for those fifty and over on Friday, May 3, for dinner and a program on the Great Lakes (*reservations required*). \* We are also beginning a **Men's Faith Discussion** group in May, and our spring **Family Camp** will be the weekend of May 17–19 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.



The World Mission and Social Justice Committee invites you to learn more about our **Prison Ministry** next Sunday, April 28 at 12:30 p.m. \* The following Sunday, May 5, we will welcome **Claire Mukundente**, a refugee from Rwanda, who at 12:15 p.m. will tell her own story and talk about her ministry with other refugees and asylum seekers in Chicago.



**We are grateful for those who give of their time and talent** to support the mission and ministry of Fourth Church! Next Sunday during the 9:30 a.m. service we will recognize these individuals, who number more than 1,000. \* We also have **current need for greeters** to welcome and assist worshipers during Sunday afternoon jazz services and **individuals to untie the blue bows** from the trees on April 30 at 10:00 a.m. \* To sign up or to learn about other volunteer opportunities, please contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382; rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)



## Calendar for April 21–28, 2019

<b>Easter Sunday, April 21 . . . . .</b>	<b>4:00 p.m. Easter Jazz at Four • Joe Morrow preaching . . . . .</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper . . . . .	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, April 22</b>	<i>Church Office Closed for Easter Monday</i>	
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper . . . . .	Catholic Charities
<b>Tuesday, April 23 . . . . .</b>	<b>7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause Meditation . . . . .</b>	Stone Chapel
	9:00 a.m. Day School (also Wed.–Fri.). . . . .	Day School Classrooms
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (also Wed.–Thurs.). . . . .	Anderson Hall
	4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Knitting and Crocheting . . . . .	Room 4F
	5:00 p.m. Chicago Lights Tutoring (also Wed.–Thurs.). . . . .	Gratz Fifth Floor
	7:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Meditation. . . . .	Boyle Conference Room
<b>Wednesday, April 24. . . . .</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer . . . . .</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild. . . . .	Room 5B
<b>Thursday, April 25 . . . . .</b>	<b>5:30 p.m. Women at Fourth Jewelry Swap. . . . .</b>	Bumpus Room
	6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal . . . . .	Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m. Choral Society Rehearsal . . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
<b>Friday, April 26 . . . . .</b>	<b>12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Organist John Sherer . . . . .</b>	Sanctuary
	6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Labyrinth Walk. . . . .	Anderson Hall
	<b>7:30 p.m. Taizé . . . . .</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	7:30 p.m. Lakeside Singers Concert . . . . .	Sanctuary
<b>Saturday, April 27 . . . . .</b>	<b>10:30 a.m. Chicago Lights Dance Academy . . . . .</b>	Parish House Dining Room
<b>Sunday, April 28 . . . . .</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. Worship • Lucy Forster-Smith preaching. . . . .</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal . . . . .	Buchanan Choir Loft
	9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m. Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsals. . . . .	Room 4F
	9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour . . . . .	Anderson Hall / Commons
	9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Nursery. . . . .	Nursery / Day School
	<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching. . . . .</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . . .	Gratz Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Youth Groups. . . . .	Gratz Fifth Floor
	9:30 a.m. Meditating on the Psalms . . . . .	Room 5E
	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons . . . . .	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m. Marilynne Robinson's Essays. . . . .	Room 5E
	12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour . . . . .	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m. Organ Tour . . . . .	Sanctuary
	12:20 p.m. Prison Ministry. . . . .	Morse Conference Room
	12:30 p.m. Film: <i>Climate Refugees</i> . . . . .	Bumpus Room
	<b>4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Joe Morrow preaching . . . . .</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper . . . . .	Anderson Hall

## During Today's Worship

**All are encouraged to visit a prayer station** to offer joys and concerns by writing them on a prayer card. The cards will be collected at the end of worship, read by the pastoral staff during the week, and then displayed in an ongoing art project.

**We celebrate an open table at Communion. All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion.** You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.

**Worship can be heard** through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids.

**Please** silence all electronic devices when in the Chapel.

**Printed copies of sermons** recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks. They are also available at [www.fourthchurch.org/sermons](http://www.fourthchurch.org/sermons) and by email: subscribe at [www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons)

## If You Are New to Fourth Church

**Inquirers' Class** explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, May 12 or June 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room (register online for the class at [www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers](http://www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers)). We invite you to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. the day you attend the class. For details or membership information, contact Joe Morrow ([member@fourthchurch.org](mailto:member@fourthchurch.org); 312.981.3399) or go to [www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers](http://www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers)

**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](http://www.fourthchurch.org)), our page on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and in our weekly email newsletter (subscribe online at [www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc](http://www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)).

**If you are interested in considering baptism or becoming a member** of Fourth Church during the 4:00 p.m. service, please contact Joe Morrow ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@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 28.

**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](mailto:jwatt@fourthchurch.org)).

**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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