# We Approach God

Gathering Music	
*Call to Worship	
*Opening Song	

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# We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

## **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Redeeming God,

out of the flames of your creation your voice calls out to us.

Yet there are times when we choose to ignore it,

listening instead to selfish needs and desires.

Out of every wilderness wandering

you forge pathways of goodness and justice,

but we stumble upon them,

disregarding the needs of our neighbors,

carelessly misusing your precious gifts.

Forgive us. Renew our spirits, and set us back on the way.

Open our ears that we may hear the clarity of your call once again. Amen.

## **God Forgives and Blesses Us**

Hear the Good News:

in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and free.

## \*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	
<b>Psalter</b> (congregation sings the antiphon)	2
Be joyful in God, all you lands;	
be joyful, all the earth.	
Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.	
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!	
Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.	
All the earth bows down before you,	
sings to you, sings out your name."	
Come now and see the works of God,	
how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.	
God turned the sea into dry land,	
so that they went through the water on foot,	
and there we rejoiced in God. Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;	
let no rebels exalt themselves.	
ANTIPHON	
Bless our God, you peoples;	
let the sound of praise be heard.	
Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.	
For you, O God, have tested us;	
you have tried us just as silver is tried.	
You brought us into the net;	
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.	
You let people ride over our heads;	
we went through fire and water,	
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.	
ANTIPHON	
Scripture Luke 10:1–11, 16–	20
Sermon Joseph I Marri	

# 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
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# 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	
rayers of the People	
he Lord's Prayer (unison)	
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingd	dom 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	t deliver us from evil.

# **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.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### **Communion Music**

# We Go Out with Gratitude

\*Benediction

**Sending Music** 

## **Worship Leaders**

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#### 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 glad to have you with us today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church! \* 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. Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Sacred Pause meditation, a weekly time of silent reflection hosted by the Replogle Center and the Spiritual Formation Council, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel. If you haven't already, sign up for our email newsletter (www.bit.ly/fourthchurchnews), bookmark our website (www.fourthchurch.org), and follow us on **Facebook** and **Instagram** (@FourthChurch) to stay up-to-date on the latest from Fourth Church! Are you looking for ways to serve or to connect with others while volunteering? We are in need of individuals to wrap silverware, help cook, or serve food for our Sunday Night Suppers. \* If you are interested in learning more about these or other **volunteer opportunities** at Fourth Church, please contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry (312.981.3382, rcrouch@fourthchurch.org;). The events and programs on the Fourth Church calendar are invitations to connect with others here at Fourth Church or in the community. Such opportunities include **Men's Bible study** on Tuesday, July 16; Knitting and Crocheting on Tuesday, July 23; and LGBTQIA brunch on Sunday, July 28. \* Tomorrow (Monday, July 8) a summer exercise program for adults sixty and older begins through our Center for Life and Learning (registration required).

The **annual School Supply Drive**, sponsored by Women at Fourth, kicked off last Sunday. Join them as they collect school supplies and backpacks for children connected with the Chicago Lights, Summer Day, Summer Dance Intensive, and Tutoring programs. In addition to volunteers, they also need donations! Backpacks filled with school supplies are being collected for 280 children and youth, and school supplies are being collected for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program. Contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369) to volunteer or to receive a supply list.

\* On July 25 **Women at Fourth** will prepare those donated school supplies and backpacks for the Summer Day students as part of Women at Fourth's monthly gathering.



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<b>Horizons Bible study,</b> which meets this Wednesday, July 10, will be studying the story of Ruth this study is based on the book <i>The Gospel of Ruth: Loving God Enough to Break</i> the Rules by Carolyn Cu	ummer. The
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A visit to ancient Greece with the Apostle Paul is on the horizon for our children this summer! <b>Vacati Bible School</b> will take them on a Bible adventure with Paul when we gather the mornings of Augus Registration is open for preschool children to fifth graders. * <b>Youth volunteers</b> are also needed for journey about sharing God's immeasurable love.	<b>on</b> ust 5–9.
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To recommend for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Chicago Lights Board any Four members—including yourself!—who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry, please us available in the pew racks and also online at www.bit.ly/fpcnominating; when completed, paper for placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.	se the forms
<b>Inquirers' Class</b> provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class—which offered on July 14 and is a prerequisite for membership—meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Room. Those interested in attending this or a future session may register at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers	will next be Page Smith
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Spiritual direction—an ongoing conversation between a trained guide and a person seeking self-awa an understanding of how God is moving them toward wholeness—is available through our Replogle Counseling and Well-Being. Associate Pastor Vicky Curtiss is also among those who offer one-on-on direction. If you would like to learn more, please contact Vicky (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).	Center for
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A <b>Grief Support Group</b> for those experiencing significant losses is also offered by our Replogle Cent details, call the Center at 312.787.8425. * If you are interested in meeting with a <b>Stephen Ministe</b> someone experiencing life challenges who would benefit from such a caring relationship, please lear message on the Stephen Ministry confidential voicemail at 312.573.3365.	<b>r</b> or know
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Our free outdoor concert series, <b>Music by the Fountain</b> , kicks off this Friday noon in the Michigan courtyard. Come join us for the music of Libby York while enjoying the beauty of summer!	Avenue
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# Calendar for July 7–14, 2019

	Jazz at Four • Joe Morrow preaching Michigan Ave. Courtyard Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper
10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day Gratz Fifth Floor Chicago Lights Dance Academy Parish House Dining Room Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper Catholic Charities
10:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Sacred Pause Meditation Stone Chapel Chicago Lights Dance Academy
9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day
10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day Gratz Fifth Floor Chicago Lights Dance Academy
10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day Gratz Fifth Floor Chicago Lights Dance Academy Parish House Dining Room Music by the Fountain: Libby York Michigan Avenue Courtyard
Saturday, July 13 9:00 a.m.	Chicago Lights Dance Academy Parish House Dining Room
9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. <b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m.</b> 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m.	Inquirers' Class
4.00 p.m.	Julia de l'oui - Joe morron predennig buchanan Chaper

For details, go to www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up

# **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 and by email: subscribe at 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, July 14 or September 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room (register online for the class at 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; 312.981.3399) or go to 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), our page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and in our weekly email newsletter (subscribe online at 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) 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 July 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).

**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.