



All Saints' Sunday

We Approach God

Gathering Music

***Call to Worship**

We come to worship God, who has made us and knows us.

We come to celebrate God's presence among us.

We come to follow Jesus, who leads us to new life.

We come with joy, knowing, in Christ, we are home.

We come to listen for the Holy Spirit, who calls us forth;

as we worship, may we know the Spirit is alive among us.

Let us worship God!

* Please rise in body or spirit

Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth Church welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church regardless of sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, mental health, educational background, economic situation, religious background, or documentation status.

***Opening Song** “We Praise You, O God”

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We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

Lord God, few of us misunderstand you all of the time,
but all of us misunderstand you some of the time.
Your thoughts on happiness;
your ideas on giving;
your way of making us whole—
these are not always our ready choices.
Give us faith, we pray,
to risk a dangerous hope,
to be ready to think as you teach,
and to act as you lead. Amen.

God Forgives and Blesses Us

Through the love of Christ,
we are forgiven and welcomed home. Amen.

Sung Response "God Calls You Good"

God calls you good, beloved child.
You are a treasure deeply prized.
And you can say to every doubting voice,
"God calls you good, beloved child."

*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.

Community Life

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*congregation sings the antiphon*) Psalm 119:137–144

You are righteous, O Lord,
and upright are your judgments.
You commanded your decrees in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.
My indignation has consumed me,
because my enemies forget your words.
Your word is very pure,
and your servant loves it.

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I am small and of little account,
yet I do not forget your commandments.
Your righteousness is everlasting,
and your teaching is true.
Trouble and distress have come upon me,
yet your commandments are my delight.
The righteousness of your decrees is everlasting;
grant me understanding, that I may live.

ANTIPHON

Scripture Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–14, 32–34; 12:1–3

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: Remembering Our Past, Inspiring Our Future

“Gifts from the Saints”. *Shannon J. Kershner*

We Offer Ourselves

Musical Reflection

Minute for Discipleship

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

... God of steadfast love,
bind us to the household of faith.

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

***Liturgy of Dedication after Communion**

The creator of all life and love has given our earth bountiful blessings.
God created humanity to share in the wonder and joy of these blessings.
All thanks be to God, giver and receiver of all that is good.

**We return to God portions of what God has given us:
our time, the fruits of our labors, our commitment.**

May the giving from the fullness of our lives be acceptable in God's sight.

May the gifts we bring show that God's reign is at hand—both now and to come.

***Closing Song** "We've Come This Far by Faith"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Shannon J. Kershner Pastor
Nanette Sawyer Associate Pastor
Mario Jobbe Lay Liturgist
The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

Today's Minute for Discipleship on the legacy of giving
is presented by Toni Yang.

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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All Saints' Sunday

On All Saints' Sunday, we both remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones.

As part of that observance, we remember the Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year.

Bonnie Ann Barber

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*Retired Dean of the Academy for Faith and Life

**Member, Chicago Presbytery

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.



Today is **All Saints' Sunday**, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of our observance, this evening Herbert Howells' *Requiem* will be sung by the Morning Choir during a Communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. * All Saints' Sunday is also a day when we remember with gratitude those who have gone before us and in their planned giving remembered those who would follow them in ministry here at Fourth Church. It is **an invitation to consider our own legacy**. Making a gift to Fourth Church in your will can sustain this church's ministries for generations to come. For information about the Fourth Church Legacy Society, see www.bit.ly/fpclegacysociety



Today is also **Commitment Sunday**, a day when we place our 2020 pledges in the offering plate and dedicate them to the work of God's kingdom, celebrating all that we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives. If you have already submitted your pledge or made it online, please take a brightly colored **"I Pledged!"** card, fill in your name, and place the card in the offering plate. We also have pledge cards available **if you are making your pledge today**.



A diverse offering of concerts is on our calendar for the next month! The **events and music of 1969** will be commemorated by the Fourth Church Choral Society as they take a look back fifty years ago in their autumn concert Friday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. (*A freewill donation will be received at the door.*) * The Civic Orchestra of Chicago returns to Fourth Church on Monday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. for their annual **Bach Marathon Finale**, performing Bach's *Brandenburg Concertos*. * The **Andrew Pipe Organ Fourth Anniversary Concert** will be presented by organist Nathan Laube on Friday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m. * **"Christmas with Chanticleer"** concerts will take place Tuesday and Wednesday, December 3 and 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. (*Tickets are available from the CSO: 312.294.3000; www.cso.org.*) * For more concerts in November and December, see www.fourthchurch.org/concerts



We also invite you to join us in making music! Come **carol with us** on the steps of the Sanctuary on Saturday, November 23 at 5:00 p.m. as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival. * That festival is held annually the Saturday before Thanksgiving and so our caroling reminds us that our season of giving thanks is just around the corner! Our **Thanksgiving Day worship** will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 28. * A **Thanksgiving Day Dinner** will be held following worship on Thursday, November 28 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets (*required*) are available online at www.bit.ly/thanksdinner2019

An important interfaith conversation will take place in the Sanctuary this Tuesday evening, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. Cardinal Blase Cupich, Rabbi Wendi Geffen, and Eboo Patel will speak at this interfaith dialogue.



The Fourth Church Day School is currently accepting applications to our **January Twos Program**, a gentle separation program for children who will be two years old on or before January 1, 2020. For more information or to apply, please see our online Sign-Up Page noted below.



The holiday season is right around the corner, and for many that means times of stress and anxiety. The Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being is here to help. In the coming weeks they will be offering **PhotoYoga** on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. for those who wish to strengthen their mindfulness skills. Please see the Sign-Up Page below for more information.



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 **Books by Women**, which will meet on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Clementine: The Life of Mrs. Winston Churchill* by Sonia Purnell. * For those **interested in traveling** with Fourth Church, mission trips to Cuba, Guatemala, and Colombia will be happening in 2020. Learn more or apply (*deadline for the Cuba trip: November 15*) via the Sign-Up Page below. * If you are **interested in becoming a member** of Fourth Church, you can also use that page to register for a one-session Inquirers' Class next Sunday, November 10 at 9:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.



Believing that as people of God we are called to lovingly care for the world with which we've been entrusted, today we are implementing a permanent **churchwide composting program**. Volunteers are needed to help with this during Coffee Hours and Sunday Night Supper * Another expression of our commitment to care for God's creation and all of God's children is our annual **Holiday Fair Trade Bazaar**, which this year will take place on Saturday and Sunday, December 7–8. Mark your calendar and plan to come shop for a difference!



If you are looking for volunteer opportunities, we have plenty! In addition to volunteers to assist with **Sunday Night Supper**, we also need assistance with both the Elam Davies Social Service Center **food pantry** (*on Tuesdays*) and the **share shop**. * We are also in need of **Book Nook volunteers**. * For more information about these opportunities, please see the Sign-Up Page noted below, or email Robert Crouch (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org).



Run the Bank of America **Chicago Marathon** with Team Chicago Lights in 2020 and support our community outreach along the way. See the Sign-Up Page for details. * You can also support Chicago Lights by volunteering as a **tutor** to match with students who are eager to take part in Chicago Lights Tutoring here at the church.

Calendar for November 3–10, 2019

- Sunday, November 3** *All Saints' Sunday*
4:00 p.m. **Jazz at Four • Shannon J. Kershner preaching** . . . **Buchanan Chapel**
 5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper Anderson Hall
6:30 p.m. **All Saints' Requiem • Judith L. Watt presiding** **Sanctuary**
- Monday, November 4** 9:00 a.m. Day School (*also Tues.–Fri.*) Day School Classrooms
 4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper *Catholic Charities*
 5:00 p.m. Chicago Lights Tutoring (*also Tues.–Thurs.*) Gratz Fifth Floor
 7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group Boyle Conference Room
- Tuesday, November 5** 7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause Meditation Stone Chapel
 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (*also Wed.–Thurs.*) Anderson Hall
 7:00 p.m. Interfaith Michigan Avenue Forum Sanctuary
- Wednesday, November 6** 9:00 a.m. Day School Storytime Room 4A
 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Buchanan Chapel
 9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild Room 5B
- Thursday, November 7** 7:00 a.m. Men's Faith Discussion Group Randolph Room
 7:00 p.m. Choral Society Rehearsal Buchanan Chapel
- Friday, November 8** 12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Marianne Kim, organ Sanctuary
- Saturday, November 9** 10:30 a.m. Urban Farm Farmstand Open (*until 3:00 p.m.*) 444 W. Chicago Ave.
- Sunday, November 10** **8:00 a.m. Worship • Lucy Forster-Smith preaching** **Sanctuary**
 8:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal Buchanan Chapel 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
 9:00 a.m. Inquirers' Class Page Smith Room
 9:30 a.m. "A Year with the Bible" Room 5G
 9:30 a.m. Junior High Fellowship Bumpus Room
 9:30 a.m. "Philippians" Room 5E
 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Gratz Fourth Floor
9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching **Sanctuary**
 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons Stone Chapel
 10:30 a.m. All-Youth Fellowship Allison Library
 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Room 4G
 12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour Sanctuary
 12:15 p.m. Organ Tour Sanctuary
 12:15 p.m. TwentiesThirties Brunch Meet in Coffee Hour
4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Nanette Sawyer preaching **Buchanan Chapel**
 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 and by email: subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs and is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Sunday, November 10 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 November 24.

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.

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