



# We Approach God

#### **Gathering Music**

## \*Call to Worship

Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

#### Jesus calls us to worship.

Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

#### lesus calls us to love.

Jesus calls us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

#### Jesus calls us to justice.

Let us heed the call of Christ.

Let us worship together with joy.

<sup>\*</sup> Please rise in body or spirit

*Opening Song	"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

#### Please note

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# We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

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

God of all Creation, we lay before you the burdens of our hearts. Forgive us and heal us from the disunity in our churches, in our communities, in our countries. We ask for your Spirit to unite us wherever fear prevents us from caring for our neighbor, from meeting with respect people of different ethnicities, cultures, and faith communities. We bring to you the brokenness of human relationships and our own failures and anxieties that prevent us from living fully into your communion with all creation. Strengthen and redeem us, Holy God.

#### 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.

#### **Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism**

#### **Community Life**

# We Proclaim the Story

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

One thing I ask of the Lord, one thing I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek God in the temple.

#### **ANTIPHON**

For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

#### **ANTIPHON**

Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

My heart speaks your message—"Seek my face."
Your face, O Lord, I will seek.

Hide not your face from me,
turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper;
forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

#### **ANTIPHON**

Scripture	
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.	
Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	

# 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**

*Doxology	"Praise	e God, from	Whom A	All Blessings Flow
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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!

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Duestone of the Doomle				
Prayers of the People				
God of all Creation, heal our world.				
ne Lord's Prayer (unison)				
Our Father who art in heaven, ha	allowed be thy	name. Thy king	dom come, thy	will be done,

# 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.

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.

# We Go Out with Gratitude

\*Prayer after Communion (unison) We give you thanks, O loving God, that you have placed in the hearts of your faithful people the gift of generosity and the desire to do your will. Receive these offerings, the fruit of our labors, and the dedication of our hearts for loving service in the name of Christ. Amen. \*Benediction **Sending Music** 

#### **Worship Leaders**

Nanette Sawyer Associate Pastor

Michael Mirza Director of Worship

Ilona McKissack-Ramzan Liturgist

The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

#### Baptized during worship today

Colette Mae Casaccio, child of Anthony and Kelly Casaccio

#### 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

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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.
The <b>weekly livestream</b> of the 11:00 a.m. Sunday service is available at www.bit.ly/FPCworship and the Fourth Church website, where it can also be viewed throughout the week. * <b>Books by Women</b> will discuss <i>Where the Crawdads Sing</i> by Delia Owens on Tuesday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.
Next month a variety of guest lecturers will guide us in learning more about "Black History: Impact on Our Faith Traditions" in a Sunday morning series on February 2–23 at 11:00 a.m. * Also in honor of Black History Month, Robert Crouch will present a Cornerstones program on the Racial Equity Council-sponsored civil rights movement tour this past fall. All those fifty and over are invited to this Friday, February 7 dinner and program. To register (required by February 4), see the Sign-Up Page noted below.
Help score a victory in the <b>Souper Bowl of Caring!</b> Next Sunday, please bring cans of soup or nonperishable food items to contribute to the annual Souper Bowl of Caring, a national effort to alleviate hunger through local food programs. Our youth will be in Coffee Hour on February 2 to collect the canned goods and monetary contributions, all of which will support Fourth Church Meals Ministry and the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center Food Pantry.
This Friday, January 31 is the registration deadline for the <b>youth summer trips</b> to Detroit and Ferncliff, Arkansas. For details or to sign up, see the Sign-Up Page noted on below.
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Tickets for the <b>Gala of Hope</b> , which will be Friday, March 6 at the Radisson Blu Aqua, are available online at bidpal.net/clgala2020. All proceeds benefit Chicago Lights—the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourt Church— and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. * Chicago Lights is also in need of <b>tutors</b> to mentor children and youth one evening a week at the church. See www.bit.ly/cltutor2020 for details and a calendar of one-session orientations.

Fourth Church offers many ways to connect through service, including the **Benevolent Guild** on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. and **Knitting and Crocheting** this Tuesday, January 28 at 4:00 p.m. \* Are you looking for **volunteer opportunities in 2020?** Check out our new volunteer management software, **VOMO**, for ideas! You can sign up for and manage your volunteer engagement with the church by going online to www.bit.ly/fpcvolunteers. (Simply click "join" on the right side of the VOMO page and fill out the requested details.) For assistance with VOMO or volunteering with Fourth Church, please contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org). \* **Grocery shoppers** are needed to purchase supplies for Fourth Church Meals Ministry. Shoppers are scheduled on a once-a-month cycle. Email access and a car are essential to fulfilling this volunteer role.



Fourth Church's new mission group, **Employment Network,** is working in partnership with the St. Sabina Employment Resource Center to increase job opportunities for those in the Auburn-Gresham and Englewood neighborhoods and could use your help: if you become aware of **entry-level job openings** where you work or live, please email employmentnetwork@fourthchurch.org so we can share that information through the Resource Center. \* Those interested in criminal justice reform or worshiping and talking with detainees in the Cook County Jail are asked to email jailministry@fourthchurch.org by Friday, January 31. Participation in our **2020 jail ministry** requires attendance at a one-hour training by the Cook County Sheriff's Office in early February.



Do you have gifts for compassionate listening? Do you feel called to be present with and pray for individuals experiencing challenging times? If so, we encourage you to **consider becoming a Stephen Minister.** Our next fifty-hour Stephen Ministry training class begins in March and will be offered on Saturdays. Details and links to the application are on the Sign-Up Page noted below.



"Strengthening Communication through the Enneagram" offers opportunity to learn about ourselves, how we experience the world differently than others, and our particular communication styles. To learn more or to register for this Saturday, February 8 workshop hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, please see the Sign-Up Page noted below.



The **150th Annual Meeting of the Congregation** will be held Sunday, February 9 at 12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary and will include the election of officers. \* You can **honor our past by investing in our future** through remembering Fourth Church and Chicago Lights in your will. For information about how to do that, contact Stuart Barnes Jamieson (sjamieson@fourthchurch.org).



# Calendar for January 26-February 2, 2020

<b>Sunday, January 26 4:00 p.m.</b> 5:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four • Nanette Sawyer preaching Buchanan Chapel Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper
<b>Monday, January 27</b> 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Day School (also Tues.–Fri.)
<b>Tuesday, January 28</b> 7:45 a.m. 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Sacred Pause Meditation
<b>Wednesday, January 29</b> 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Day School StorytimeRoom 4AMorning PrayerStone ChapelBenevolent GuildRoom 5B
<b>Thursday, January 30</b> 7:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Discussion Group Randolph Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, January 31</b> 12:10 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer, organ Sanctuary St. Olaf Choir
Sunday, February 2 8:00 a.m.	Worship • Matt Helms 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
9:30 a.m.	"A Year with the Bible"
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Youth Group Bumpus Room
9:30 a.m.	TED Talks for Parents
9:30 and 11:00 a.m. <b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m.</b>	Sunday School
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary Time of Prayer with Deacons Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	•
	Confirmation
11:00 a.m.	Senior High Youth Group
11:00 a.m.	Black History/Faith Traditions
12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour
4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four • Lois Snavely 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, February 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). 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 February 23.

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 Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 (callerton@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.