



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 27, 2021 • 10:00 a.m.

*Due to health concerns about the transmission of COVID-19,
we are not engaging in congregational singing. During hymns,
worshippers are invited to hum along with the choir members if they like.*

Gathering around the Word

Prelude :: Sanctuary Gwyneth Walker

1. Reverence
2. All Nature Sings
3. A Refuge, Peace

Introit :: “O Give Thanks unto the Lord” Richard Benedum

O give thanks unto the Lord for his mercy endureth forever. Amen.

*Doxology (congregation is invited to hum)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.† Amen.*

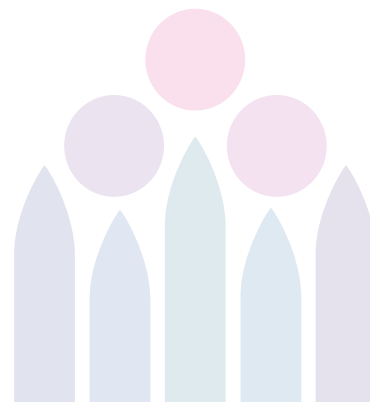
Welcome

Hymn (congregation is invited to hum) There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit (verse 1)

*There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

*Refrain: Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.*

Call to Worship



*Please rise in body or spirit. †Or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.”

Hymn (congregation is invited to hum) “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (verse 2)

*There are blessings you cannot receive
till you know him in his fullness and believe;
you’re the one to profit when you say,
“I am going to walk with Jesus all the way.”*

*Refrain: Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God of magnificent vision, we confess that there are days we live in exile.
We are exiled from one another, hidden, fearful, in prisons of our own making.
We live behind walls of our own making, keeping others at a distance,
securing our own comfort or ease at the expense of others.
You call us to seek the welfare of others and our city,
but we put our own needs and comforts first.
You call us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, set prisoners free.
But we feed and clothe ourselves and turn our back on the prisoner.
Forgive us, merciful Creator.
Free us from all that separates us from others and, most importantly, from you.
Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*

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

Hymn (congregation is invited to hum) “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (refrain)

*Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.*

Sacrament of Baptism

Anthem :: “To God Be the Glory” Scottish folk tune; arr. George Bayley

*To God be the glory, all glory in the highest and peace to his people who dwell here below.
Our heavenly Father, our Lord, and our sovereign, to you, the Almighty, our praises bestow.
We worship and adore you, we bow before you with grateful thanksgiving, our song let us raise. All
glory and honor and glad adoration to God in the highest hosanna and praise.
Lord Jesus, the only begotten of the Father, we praise and we bless you, the Son and the Lamb.
The sin of the world you have taken upon you, have mercy upon us, the great I am.
For holy, you meet us, yet lowly you greet us, the Lord in the highest, the holy one.
All glory to the Father, the Son, and the Spirit, from ages everlasting, the Three in One.*

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (antiphon sung by the soloist) Psalm 66:1–12

Antiphon: *We walk through fire and water while you lead us into life.*

*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.”*

Antiphon

*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 in to 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

*Gloria Patri (*congregation is invited to hum*)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:†
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 29:1, 4–14

Sermon Series on Jeremiah: A Prophet of Loss and Hope Matt Helms

Responding to the Word

Anthem :: “I Will Arise” American folk tune / arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

*I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms;
in the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above,
praise the mount, I’m fixed upon it, mount of my redeeming love.
Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace,
streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.*

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

†Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

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.

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn (*congregation is invited to hum*). "All Who Love and Serve Your City"

*All who love and serve your city, all who bear its daily stress,
all who cry for peace and justice, all who curse and all who bless:*

*In your day of wealth and plenty, wasted work and wasted play,
call to mind the word of Jesus, "You must work while it is day."*

*For all days are days of judgment, and the Lord is waiting still,
drawing near a world that spurns him, offering peace from Calvary's hill.*

Risen Lord, shall yet the city be the city of despair?

Come today, our judge, our glory. Be its name "The Lord is there!"

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude :: Royal Dance from *Nigerian Suite No. 2* Godwin Sadoh

*Those in the Sanctuary are asked to remain seated during the postlude
and afterwards to wait for an usher to dismiss people by rows.*

Baptized in Today's Service

Joseph Richard Wolfe, child of Jeff and Patti Wolfe

Today is Baccalaureate Sunday

Fourth Presbyterian Church recognizes and congratulates the following members and Chicago Lights Tutoring students, all of whom are 2021 graduates.

EIGHTH GRADE

Kamaya Barber	Jade Gill	Kaylah Lee	Akeyla Suarez
Jaslynn Browley	Nariah Gordon	Jahri McClendon	Terika Thomas
Bobbie Brown	Samuel Haley	Johannah McGowan	Rahjae Towns
Ivana Carter	Skylar Haley	Jersey McKinney	Krishae Turner
Aidan Castette	Eric Harris Jr.	Zyion Moore	Nikea Ware
Kelsey Castette	Kimani Harris	Janiya Pullins	Cari Wilder
Kyla Chapman	Ocie Harris	Kaylee Ricks	Antayveon Williams
Dekari Drew	Jada Hicks	Steven Robinson	Gabrielle Williams
ZC Findler	Dyllen Holmes	Dakari Shelton	Diamond Zaruma
Nolen Foley	Tyreke Jackson	Corey Steele	
Raleigh Ford	Mekhi Kimbrough	Harrison Stracks	

TWELFTH GRADE

Gilbert Amofa	Chanel Hughes	Taylor McAdams	Kathleen Rae Reome
Devon Belsley	Taylah Jenkins	Emmanuel Mensah	Jayden Ruffin
Trinity Halmon	Sade Johnson	Shakia Owens	Dinah Towns
Oche Harris	Lanyashia Jones	Madelyn Pieper	Doviaire Towns
Deyonche Hicks	Eddie Alexander Kening	Emily Nicole Reome	Charlie Turner

COLLEGE AND GRADUATE DEGREES AND PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Barrett Garfield	Travis John Hank	Hannah Nelson	Kash O. Taylor
Carling Suzanne Hank	Kathryn Jansma	Corey Pieper	



We are glad to be worshipping with you 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.



On the Fourth Church campus, **masks and social distancing** are required for anyone not vaccinated against COVID-19; for worshipers on site who have received the COVID vaccine, the wearing of masks during worship is optional. ✱ For those worshipping with us in person, we are not checking vaccination status, but **by entering the Fourth Church campus you certify** that (a) you do not currently have COVID-19; (b) you are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) you have no reason to quarantine; and (d) you will wear a mask and practice social distancing if you are not vaccinated against COVID-19.



We are offering **two in-person worship services** throughout the summer as we gradually reopen our campus: a **10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary** and a **4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel**. ✱ In the Sanctuary, **the front section is for those required to or choosing to wear masks**, with socially distanced seating by households. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating, with masks optional. Seating for Jazz at Four is set up for social distancing. ✱ Due to health guidelines, **congregational singing is not permitted in the Sanctuary or Chapel**; those who would like to hum while the choir members sing the hymns are invited to do so.



Nursery care is not available at this time. Sunday School continues to meet via Zoom; for details, email Briana Belding-Peck (bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org). ✱ **Worship can be heard** in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the “T” or “T-coil” setting of hearing aids. ✱ Please silence **electronic devices** when in the Sanctuary.

You can read more about the guidelines in place for in-person worship as well as information about continued online opportunities **at www.fourthchurch.org/reopening**

For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we continue to livestream our morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. at www.bit.ly/FPCworship, Facebook Live (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and YouTube (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos). (*The prelude begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.*) The service is also available for viewing after the service, including later in the week. * **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at the time of the service. * During the week we make the **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes and Spotify (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast).



The church campus remains closed as we continue to develop our reopening plans. * On Sundays the **doors open for worship** at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (*a half hour before each service starts*). For the morning service, access is only by the Michigan Avenue doors. For the Jazz at Four service, access is only by the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center.



Sunday parking is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and at the Hancock garage (875 N. Michigan, *enter from Delaware or Chestnut*) at the rate of \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from an usher.



A time of online fellowship takes place each Sunday morning following the postlude (*around 11:00 a.m.*). All are invited to join us for this **virtual Coffee Hour via Zoom** that takes place at www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship (*Zoom details are also posted at www.fourthchurch.org*). You can participate in Coffee Hour by phone as well: dial 312.626.6799 and enter meeting ID number 963 5583 1751#.



Men's Bible Study meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., and **Horizons Bible Study for women** next meets online on Wednesday, July 14 at 12:00 p.m. For Zoom details for either study, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). * **TwentiesThirties Bible Study** for young adults meets online on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. For details, email Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org).

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Throughout Pride Month, the Pride flag sign and rainbow ribbons outside the Michigan Avenue courtyard bear public witness to the inclusive hospitality we extend to all and to our welcome of all of God's children into the life of the church.



To purchase fresh produce and support the work of students and young adults gaining on-site job skills at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago Ave.), stop by their **Farmstand on Fridays** between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. *Guests are required to wear a face covering and practice social distancing while at the Farm.* * The annual **School Supply Drive** will be starting soon! Again this year we will be collecting supplies (*via Amazon wishlists*) for Chicago Light's Urban Farm, Dance Academy, and Summer Day programs. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). * **Fourth Church Meals Ministry** is **in need of volunteers** to help with Saturday breakfast to-go, the weekday Bag Lunch program, Sunday Night Supper, and Monday Night Supper. If you are able to help with one or more of these meals, please let us know via VOMO, our Volunteer Ministry sign-up platform at www.bit.ly/fpcvolunteers



Our organist, John Sherer, will present this week's online Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. at www.bit.ly/fpcprograms, on Facebook Live, and our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos). * Registration is open through September 1, 2021, for those interested in joining Fourth Church and our interfaith partners for **"Peace and Compassion: A Music and Travel Seminar Trip to the Middle East,"** which is planned for June 2022. To register or learn about fees, travel arrangements, and other logistics for this trip to Israel, Palestine, and Jordan, email John Sherer (jsherer@fourthchurch.org) or Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@fourthchurch.org).



The Fourth Church Legacy Society is made up of friends of Fourth Church who have chosen to make a **commitment to the church's future mission and ministry** by remembering the church in their estate plans. Those who are interested in learning more about supporting Fourth Church and Chicago Lights as well as other estate-planning opportunities are encouraged to explore the online resources on our website at www.bit.ly/fpclegacyinfo or contact Katy Frey Bever (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

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On Wednesdays we gather for **Morning Prayer via Zoom** at 9:30 a.m. For details, email Carol Allerton (callerton@fourthchurch.org). * Also each Wednesday we release a new **“Rhythm and Word: Midweek Music and Prayer” video**. These fifteen-minute worship experiences on YouTube (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) weave together scripture, prayer, and music offered by the Jazz at Four Quartet. To receive the videos by email, sign up at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail



A **virtual Sacred Pause** time of meditation is hosted by our Replogle Center on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing * Written by members and staff, **daily devotional meditations** for your personal time of prayer and reflection are available by email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) as well as online (www.fourthchurch.org/devotions), via Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and Twitter (twitter.com/fourthchicago).



For those who are facing one or more of life’s many challenges or transitions, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. If you would like to have a one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. * To explore options for teletherapy, call our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being** at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. * If you would like **to talk to a pastor** or notify the pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please call the church (312.787.4570). * **If you have a prayer request**, Dave Handley (dhandley@fourthchurch.org) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries.



If you are interested in **becoming a member of Fourth Church**, please email Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org). * Watch our website (www.fourthchurch.org) and follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch) and Instagram (instagram.com/fourthchurch) for resources and ways to connect. * Online events are posted on the **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar

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The congregation of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago was officially dedicated in worship on the morning of February 12, 1871. Thus on the second Sunday of February 2021 we kicked off **our sesquicentennial celebration!** (You can watch that February 14 worship service online on our YouTube channel: www.bit.ly/fpcvideos.) We encourage you to visit the web page devoted to our 150th anniversary—www.fourthchurch.org/150—where you can read our short monthly historical accounts and letters from Chicago’s faith leaders. There you can also hear greetings from Fourth Church friends from across the globe and view videos of pastors who formerly served at Fourth Church as they share their memories of their time with our congregation. These collections will continue to grow over the coming year, so be sure to check back periodically.



As part of our care for our buildings, stone masons are currently assessing the condition of the 107-year-old decorative stonework on the Sanctuary and Cloister. The scaffolding on campus is part of that work.



We are grateful to all who have made gifts in support of our mission and ministry this year. Thank you! This monthly generosity report summarizes those contributions to Fourth Church as of May 31, 2021.

Fourth Presbyterian Church Generosity Report — Contributions as of May 31, 2021				
<i>YTD = Year-to-Date</i>	YTD Actual	YTD Budgeted	YTD Variance	2021 Budget
Pledged contributions	\$1,019,224	\$1,430,000	(\$410,776)	\$3,135,000
General contributions	\$161,807	\$263,000	(\$101,193)	\$1,964,000
Restricted contributions	\$379,917	\$273,567	\$106,350	\$706,147
Total contributions	\$1,560,948	\$1,966,567	(\$405,619)	\$5,805,147



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Worship Leaders

David Handley, Arlene Raine, Lucy Forster-Smith, Matt Helms

The Music Today

Members of the Morning Choir

Carol Carpenter, Kimberly Gunderson, Bill McMurray, Brett Potts

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Worship Notes

TODAY'S POSTLUDE was written by Godwin Sadoh. Born in Lagos, Nigeria, in 1965, Sadoh is the first African to receive a doctoral degree in organ performance. He first heard a pipe organ at a church in Lagos and writes, "At the end of each service on Sundays, I always ran as quickly as I could to observe the organist play the postlude. It was heavenly for me. I would watch the feet of the organist as they move on the pedals and saw the pulling out of the stops and change of sound." His music brings the melodies, harmonies, and rhythms of the music of Yoruban people to the organ.

OFFERING GIFTS to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in one of the offering boxes at the exit from the Sanctuary. They also can be given via Venmo (@Fourth-Church) or online at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online (or via the "To Make a Gift" button on our website: www.fourthchurch.org).

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