



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

We Approach God

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

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

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.

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.*

We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

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.**

God Forgives and Blesses Us

Friends, believe the good news!
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.*

We Proclaim the Story

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter Psalm 66:1–12 (*the soloist sings the antiphon*)

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

Scripture Jeremiah 29:1, 4–14

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

We Offer Ourselves

Musical Reflection

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.**

Call to Offering and Dedication

We Go Out with Gratitude

***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!"*

Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Matt Helms	Associate Pastor
David Handley	Interim Minister for Caring Ministries
Lucy Forster-Smith	Senior Associate Pastor
Clyde Yancy	Liturgist
The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet	

Worship Notes

Offering gifts to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in an offering box at the exit to the chapel. They also can be given online at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online (or via the “To Make a Gift” button on our website: fourthchurch.org) or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church).

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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Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor
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Matt Helms, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry
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David Handley, Interim Minister for Caring Ministries
Jeffrey Doane, Parish Associate for Older Adults
Maggie Shreve, Parish Associate for Jail Ministry
John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

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 Presbyterian 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 those who have received the COVID vaccine, wearing of masks during worship is optional. * We are not checking vaccination status, but **by entering the Fourth Church campus you certify** (a) you do not currently have COVID-19; (b) you are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) you have no reason to quarantine; (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**. * Seating in the chapel is set up for **social distancing**. 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. * Due to health guidelines, **congregational singing is not permitted**; those who would like to hum while the soloist sings are invited to do so. * **Worship can be heard** through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids. * **Please** silence electronic devices when in the Chapel.



For those who prefer to worship online or 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 afterwards. * **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 Jazz at Four service, access is only by the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center. For the morning service, access is only by the Michigan Avenue doors. * **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. Validation tickets for the garage must be picked up from an usher. * **Nursery care is not available**. Sunday School meets on Zoom; for details, email Briana (bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org).

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

While there is no in-person Coffee Hour, **a time of online fellowship** happens 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 take part in Coffee Hour by phone as well: dial 312.626.6799 and enter meeting ID number 963 5583 1751#.



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).



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



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).



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).



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.

Ensure you receive the latest updates from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply **sign up at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc**

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.



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/rhythmwordemail * 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** at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar



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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