



**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

## **We Approach God**

### **Gathering Music**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Sing to the Lord a new song;

**great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!**

Bless the name of the Lord and proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!**

Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples.

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!**

\* Please rise in body or spirit

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*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** (*congregation sings while masked*) . . . . . “Let Us with a Gladsome Mind”

Let us with a gladsome mind  
praise the Lord who is so kind:  
for God’s mercies shall endure,  
ever faithful, ever sure.

God, with all-commanding might,  
filled the new-made world with light:  
for God’s mercies shall endure,  
ever faithful, ever sure.

All things living God does feed;  
with full measure, meets their need:  
for God’s mercies shall endure,  
ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us with a gladsome mind  
praise the Lord who is so kind:  
for God’s mercies shall endure,  
ever faithful, ever sure.

**We Tell the Truth about Ourselves**

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

Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves.  
So forgive our lack of faith.  
Forgive the harm we do to others and to your earth.  
Forgive our turning away from your will,  
our ignoring the cries of our neighbors,  
our preference for what is least nourishing, even for ourselves.  
Remove our faults from us,  
that we may be nourished for eternal life starting now. Amen.

**God Forgives and Blesses Us**

Friends, believe the good news!  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### Prayer for Illumination

**Psalter** (*congregation sings the antiphon while masked*) . . . . . Psalm 96

**ANTIPHON:** *Ascribe to God the glory of the name. Bring an offering and come into the courts.*

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, bless the name of the Lord; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, more to be feared than all gods.

#### **ANTIPHON**

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but you, O Lord, have made the heavens.

Majesty and magnificence are in your presence; power and splendor are in your sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the holy name;

bring offerings and enter the courts of the Lord.

#### **ANTIPHON**

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the Lord, all the earth.

Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is king!

The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved

will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;

let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O Lord,

for you come to judge the earth.

You will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with your truth.

#### **ANTIPHON**

**Scripture Lessons** . . . . . Luke 6:27–38

**Sermon Series** . . . . . *Lucy Forster-Smith*

### Musical Reflection

**Gloria** (*congregation sings while masked*)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!**

**Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

## **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** (*congregation sings while masked*)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

#### **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 Offer Ourselves**

#### **Call for Offering**

#### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**We give you thanks, O God, for the new song you sing in our lives each day.**

**As we dedicate these gifts to your holy purpose,**

**may we also remember your call to be your ambassadors of faith, hope, and love  
this day and every day of our lives. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

### **\*Closing Song** . . . . . “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (*congregation sings while masked*)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;<sup>†</sup>  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

#### **Refrain**

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (*Refrain*)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)

<sup>†</sup>Or “Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator.”

### **\*Benediction**

#### **Sending Music**

## Worship Leaders

**Lucy Forster-Smith** Senior Associate Pastor  
**Rocky Supinger** Associate Pastor  
**Brian Satre** 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](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online) (or via the “To Make a Gift” button on our website: [fourthchurch.org](http://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.

## Acknowledgments

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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 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, including in worship, **everyone is required to wear masks, fully covering the nose and mouth**. Anyone not wearing a mask fully covering their nose and mouth will be asked to leave, as we know that some people make the decision to worship with us in person—or participate in other in-person activities—based on the knowledge that everyone will be fully masked. This is but one of the ways we continue to live out our commitment to value the health and safety of all. \* 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 practice social distancing if you are not vaccinated against COVID-19.



If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather each Sunday for a **10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary** and a **4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel**. \* **Worshippers are invited to sing while masked**. We invite those who are concerned about being near those who are singing to worship with us from home via our 10:00 a.m. livestream, which is also available for viewing later in the week. \* **Worship in the Chapel can be heard** through hearing aids' "T" or "T-coil" setting. \* **Please** silence electronic devices when in the Chapel. \* The **doors open for worship** on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. For the 4:00 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. Validation tickets for the garage must be picked up from an usher.



**For those who prefer to worship online** or are unable to join us in person, we livestream our morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)). (*The prelude begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.*) \* **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 morning **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes and Spotify ([www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast](http://www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast)). \* To **receive the morning sermon text by email**, subscribe online at [www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons) \* Available for midweek reflection is our **"Rhythm and Word" series of fifteen-minute videos**, which are released on Wednesdays on YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)) and by email (*sign up at [www.bit.ly/rhythmwordemail](http://www.bit.ly/rhythmwordemail)*).

**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](http://www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)**

**Those interested in joining the new Fourth Church Gospel Choir**, which will be directed by Bryan Johnson, Executive Director of Music at the Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, are asked to contact John Sherer ([jsherer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jsherer@fourthchurch.org)). The choir will begin rehearsals next Sunday, February 27 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 4F.



Caring Ministries **invites veterans in our church community** to join Chaplain Mark Schimmelpfennig to explore creating a group to meet periodically in order to give veterans and family members opportunity to share their experiences and concerns in a safe and confidential space. To learn more or join the **initial Zoom gathering this Tuesday, February 22** at 6:00 p.m., contact Jeff Doane ([jdoane@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jdoane@fourthchurch.org)). \* For those who are facing life's challenges, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To have a one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks, 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, email [caringministries@fourthchurch.org](mailto:caringministries@fourthchurch.org); if the situation is an emergency or requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. \* **If you would like to submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, email [caringministries@fourthchurch.org](mailto:caringministries@fourthchurch.org)



The Spiritual Formation Council invites you to travel the **"Path of Discipleship"** with them during Lent. This year's six-part series will use the book ***Back to the Well: Women's Encounters with Jesus in the Gospel*** by Frances Taylor Gench. Led by Nanette Sawyer and Joe Morrow, the series will take place via Zoom on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning March 8. For the Zoom link, register at [www.bit.ly/fpcpod2022](http://www.bit.ly/fpcpod2022) \* Prior to "Path of Discipleship," **Dr. Gench will talk about her book *Back to the Well*** this Tuesday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Register at [www.bit.ly/genchpfc22](http://www.bit.ly/genchpfc22) for this presentation about the study of women's encounters with Jesus in the Gospels. \* **Zoom Small Groups for Lent** will start the week of February 27. If you would like to connect with five to seven other people via Zoom for a time of fellowship, relationship building, and spiritual formation or simply want to learn more about our small-group opportunities, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).



The annual **Chicago Lights Gala of Hope** will be held at the Ritz-Carlton Chicago (160 E. Pearson) on Friday, March 4. To **reserve tickets or become an event sponsor**, visit [bidpal.net/clgala2022](http://bidpal.net/clgala2022); this event supports the work of Chicago Lights—the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church, which includes the **Tutoring and Summer Day, Urban Farm, Dance Academy, and Social Service Center** programs—and the **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being**.



If you are interested in **becoming a member of Fourth Church**, we invite you to join us online for an Inquirers' Class (*required for membership*), which provides opportunity to discover more about Fourth Church as well as the Presbyterian Church (USA). For details, please email Joe Morrow, Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Community Engagement ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)).