



4:00 Order of Worship + 10.2.22

World Communion Sunday

We Approach God

Gathering Music	
Anthem Fourth Church Gospel Choi	r
"This Little Light of Mine"	
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.	
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.	
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine.	
Welcome and Announcements *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.

Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.
Refrain:
Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.
Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God. (<i>Refrain</i>)
Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God. (<i>Refrain</i>)
Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God. (<i>Refrain</i>)

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy One, your steadfast love testifies to your abiding presence with us.

But we have not always kept good company with you.

We fail to return your faithfulness as we cling more tightly

to what we regard as our own rather than trust in your abundance.

We fail to return your love as we narrow our care to those who look or believe as we do. Forgive us who have abandoned the cause of the suffering

and called attention to our own power.

Let your grace renew us in thought and action,

that we might be faithful to your mission to redeem and repair the world. Amen.

God Forgives and Blesses Us

Friends, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

We Proclaim the Story

Prayer for Illumination



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Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, Judah became God's sanctuary and Israel God's dominion. The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back. The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like young sheep.

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What ailed you, O sea, that you fled, O Jordan, that you turned back, you mountains, that you skipped like rams, you little hills like young sheep? Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob, who turned the hard rock into a pool of water and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

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 Scripture Lesson
 Exodus 14:5–7, 10–14, 21–29

 Sermon
 Rocky Supinger

Musical Reflection

Gloria

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

Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

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.

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.

The Communion

Prayer after Communion

We Offer Ourselves

Call for Offering

Prayer of Dedication

God of abundance,

with this bread of life and cup of salvation

you have united us with Christ,

making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We Go Out with Gratitude

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

Rocky Supinger	Associate Pastor
Nancy Benson-Nicol	Associate Pastor
Matt Bardwell	Liturgist

The Fourth Church Gospel Choir Bryan Johnson, Director

The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

Leslie Beukelman, vocal Bryan Doherty, bass Marcus Evans, percussion Amr Fahmy, piano

Worship Notes

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.

Offering gifts to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in the offering plate at the time of the offering or in the offering box at the Chapel exit. They also can be given via Venmo (@Fourth-Church; see QR code at right) or online at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online (or via the "To Make a Gift" button at www.fourthchurch.org).



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Rocky Supinger, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry and Worship
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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. * Although wearing a mask is not required at Fourth Church, we as a community have made a commitment to be a mask-welcoming campus, encouraging the wearing of masks by anyone who wants or needs to wear one. As a mask-welcoming campus, we also remain committed to ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at Fourth Church.

If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather on Sundays for a **10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary** and the **4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel.** * Worship 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 a half hour before each service. 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 for 6 hours between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (*and \$18 for up to 12 hours*). 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 service on our YouTube channel (*www.bit.ly/fpcvideos*).

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On Wednesdays we gather for **Morning Prayer via Zoom** at 9:30 a.m. and for **in-person Morning Prayer** at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Email Nancy Benson-Nicol (*nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org*) for Zoom information. * The chapel is also open for opportunity to **walk the labyrinth** between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. For details, email Rocky Supinger (*rsupinger@fourthchurch.org*). * We invite you to use our **daily devotions as a resource for personal reflection**. They can be found at www.fourthchurch.org/devotions; to receive the devotions daily by email subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions * For additional biblical exploration, listen in as Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger discuss the **"Bible Top Ten"** in their **podcast** by that title (*fourthchurch.org/podcast*), with new episodes released every other Tuesday.

Fourth Church offers a variety of ways to **connect with one another.** Online and in-person events are posted on **our church calendar**, accessible from our website's home page and at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar * For **resources** as well as additional ways to connect with the church and one another, watch our website (www.fourthchurch.org) and Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch).

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For those facing life's challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. To arrange conversation with a Stephen Minister, leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. * To explore options with a counselor, call our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being** at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. * To **talk to a pastor** or **notify the pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, or deaths, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org; if the situation is an emergency, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. * To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org

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Today is World Communion Sunday, a day when worshipers around the world gather for the Lord's Supper, enacting the words of the hymn "Come, Risen Lord": "One church united in communion blest; one name we bear, one bread of life we break." * This Sunday reminds us that God's love can heal our deepest divisions, and so each World Communion Sunday we receive a Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering. Gifts designated to this offering will be directed to efforts toward peacemaking that are supported by the Presbyterian Church (USA) as well as local efforts to address violence in Chicago. These gifts can be made online at www fourthchurch org/give-online; by a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, with "Peace Offering" in the memo line; or by using the Peacemaking envelopes at the door to the Chapel. * Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is delivering aid to those impacted by recent hurricanes; these outreach efforts will continue, providing emotional and spiritual care as well as long-term recovery assistance. To support the work of PDA in responding to the damage caused by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian and in remaining engaged during the hurricane season, you can make a gift to PDA at www.bit.ly/pdahurricane

Our 2023 stewardship campaign invites all of us to pledge our support for the life-giving mission, ministry, and outreach efforts of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights in the year ahead. Please plan to submit your 2023 pledge—which you can make at www.bit.ly/fpcclpledge—by Commitment Sunday, October 30, when we will celebrate all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives.

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On Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. we will host the Michigan Avenue Forum **"The 1619 Project Revisited: Race, History, and the Future."** The conversation will feature Pulitzer Prize–winning journalist and author of the New York Times' 1619 Project, **Nikole Hannah-Jones,** together with WBEZ's **Natalie Moore. * Zoom Small Groups** start in October. Groups will be looking at *The 1619 Project* by Nikole Hannah-Jones, *Hospitality: The Sacred Art* by Nanette Sawyer, *Silencing White Noise: Six Practices to Overcome our Inaction on Race* by Willie Dwayne Francois III, or history and current issues facing Indigenous peoples of the United States, among other topics. If you would like to **connect with five to seven other people** via Zoom for a time of fellowship, relationship building, and spiritual formation, email Simon Crow (*scrow@fourthchurch.org*).

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