

4:00 p.m. • January 29, 2023

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.

# We Approach God

# **Gathering Music** Welcome \*Opening Song . "Holy, Holy, Holy!" Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be. Holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

# We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, you call us to be holy people, and so we would be—

but for the damage we do with our talk;

the harm we cause our friends;

the insults we heap on our neighbors.

We grow numb to wickedness and suspicious of goodness.

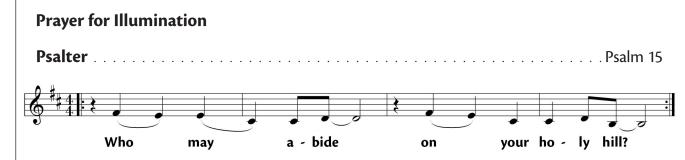
For all we have done and all we have left undone, merciful God,

we pray for pardon, and we seek to walk more firmly in your way. Amen.

## **God Forgives and Blesses Us**

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

# We Proclaim the Story



#### ANTIPHON

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill? Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart; they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

#### **ANTIPHON**

In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word. They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

#### **ANTIPHON**

## **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 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

## Offering

**Musical Offering** 

## **Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God, every good and perfect gift comes from you.

In thanksgiving for all your blessings, we open our hands to give back to you. Receive these gifts as an expression of our love

and as a dedication of the greater gift of our lives to your service. Amen.

# We Go Out with Gratitude

*Closing Song	у"
Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.	
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.	
Refrain:	
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you!	
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!	
Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.	
Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill. ( <i>Refrain</i> )	
Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.	
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God. ( <i>Refrain</i> )	
Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.	
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. ( <i>Refrain</i> )	
Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.	
Rejoice, be glad; yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see. (Refrain)	

\*Benediction

Sending Music

# 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*). Our **Winter "Rhythm and Word" video series** began a four-week focus on the **Sermon on the Mount** this past Wednesday. The videos, which offer a fifteen-minute midweek worship experience **led by Matt Helms and the Fourth Church Jazz Quartet**, are released on our YouTube channel on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.; to receive them by email, sign up at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail To receive our **daily devotions** (*www.fourthchurch.org/devotions*) 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*).

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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The annual **Chicago Lights Gala of Hope** will be held at the Ritz-Carlton Chicago (*160 E. Pearson*) on Friday, March 3, beginning at 5:30 p.m. This event supports the life-changing work of Chicago Lights, the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church, which includes **Tutoring and Summer Day, Urban Farm, and the Social Service Center**. To reserve tickets or become an event sponsor, visit one.bidpal.net/galaofhope2023

**The Annual Meeting of the Congregation,** at which we will elect new officers, will be held in person and via Zoom at 11:15 a.m. on February 12. The Zoom link will be posted on our website closer to the date of the meeting. The recommended slate of officers that will be presented by the Nominating Committee will also be posted on our website prior to the meeting.

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A Fourth Church trip to Cuba to visit our sister congregation the First Presbyterian Church of Havana will take place May 29–June 5. See www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html to learn more or express interest in this trip. \* Those interested in taking part in the Fourth Church Choir tour to India in February 2024 are invited to an information session next Sunday, February 5 at 12:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For more information, email Emily Cox (ecox@fourthchurch.org).



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

**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** 

## **Worship Leaders**

Rocky Supinger	Associate Pastor
Nancy Benson-Nicol	Associate Pastor
Terry Evans	Liturgist

#### The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

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

**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) or online at www.fourthchurch.org/give
- **The bulletin cover** image depicts the hanging sculpture in Buchanan Chapel, photographed at night from Chestnut Street, with the window mullions forming a cross.

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