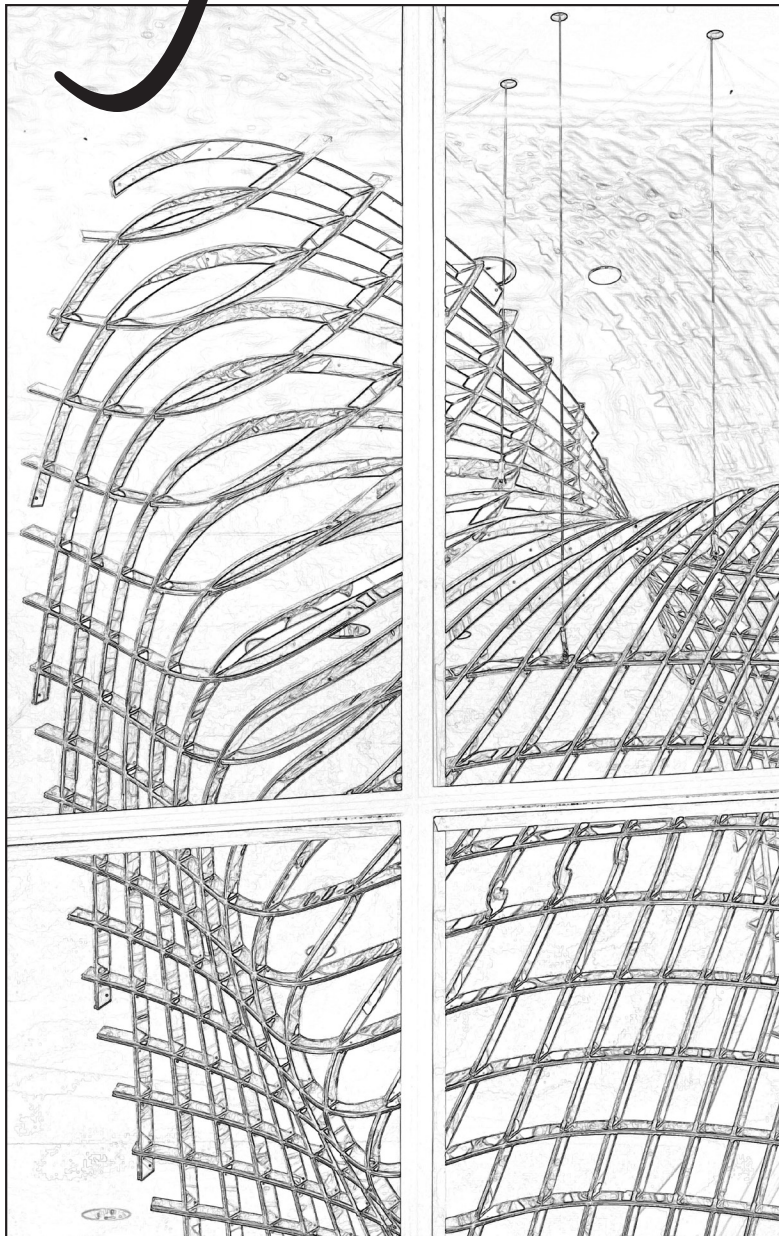




jazz at four



4:00 p.m. • February 26, 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.** “Stand Up and Bless the Lord”

Stand up, and bless the Lord, ye people of his choice;
stand up, and bless the Lord your God with heart, and soul, and voice.
Tho’ high above all praise, above all blessing high,
who would not fear his holy Name, and laud and magnify?
O for the living flame, from his own altar brought,
to touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heav’n our thought!
God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours;
then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed pow’rs.
Stand up and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore;
stand up, and bless his glorious Name henceforth for evermore.
Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.

We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess
our failure to be what you created us to be.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.
By your loving mercy,
help us to live in your light
and abide in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Response

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

God Forgives and Blesses Us

Friends, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

We Proclaim the Story

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter Psalm 32

Response Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

(Repeat)

Scripture Lesson Mark 5:21–43

Sermon: “I Believe . . .” Nancy Benson-Nicol

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 and Dedication

Musical Offering

We Go Out with Gratitude

***Closing Song** "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills the breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show;
the love of Jesus, what it is, none but his loved ones know.

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.

***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).



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).



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

Our **new Lenten “Rhythm and Word” video series**, which offers a fifteen-minute midweek worship experience **led by Rocky Supinger and the Fourth Church Jazz Quartet**, is released on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.; to receive the videos by email, sign up online at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail * To receive our **daily Lenten devotions** (www.fourthchurch.org/devotions) by email, subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions * **Men’s Bible Study** meets via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study**—which offers two Zoom gathering times (12:00 and 6:30 p.m.) on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month—meets Wednesday, March 8. For Zoom details for either study, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). * 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).



Nancy Benson-Nicol and Lucy Forster-Smith will be leading a **Ghost Ranch Pilgrimage of Faith and Learning** this May 15–19 in Abiquiu, New Mexico. Mornings will be spent in conversation with a speaker; there will be hiking and exploration of the area in the afternoon; and evenings will offer time together as a group with guided conversations and worship. To express interest and learn more, complete the simple “Expression of Interest” form at www.bit.ly/ghostranchinterest23; an application, which will be due March 15, will be available in the coming days.



This Friday, March 3 the Chicago Lights Gala of Hope will be held at the Ritz-Carlton. 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**. Advance registration is required; to reserve tickets or become an event sponsor, visit one.bidpal.net/galaofhope2023



Do you speak Spanish? Approximately 370 migrants from Central and South America who recently arrived in Chicago are currently being offered a place to stay next door to Fourth Church. As the **Chicago Lights Social Service Center** works with these families to help meet needs, we **need individuals who speak Spanish to assist with translation**. To volunteer, sign up at app.vomo.org/project/spanish-translators * We are also **in need of paper grocery bags** for guests visiting the Social Service Center Food Pantry and Share shop. Donations of bags can be dropped off at the church reception desk on weekdays and Sundays between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.



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).

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

Nancy Benson-Nicol Associate Pastor

Rocky Supinger Associate Pastor

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.

We are receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support Chicago Lights Tutoring and Elam Davies Social Service Center; Fourth Church Meals Ministry; and the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People Programs. To make a “One Great Hour of Sharing” gift, you can designate “One Great Hour of Sharing” (OGHS) when giving at fourthchurch.org/give or by writing that designation on the memo line of a check payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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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