

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 5, 2026 • 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Variations and Fugue on America Max Reger
O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies. Charles Callahan

Introit

Speak to Us Ross Updegraff
*Speak to us and we will listen, share with us so we might see, be with us, O Christ, Creator,
on the path our lives will lead.*

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.† Amen.**

*Call to Worshipbased on Matthew 11: 28-29

*One: Our Lord Jesus says, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.”*

**All: Let us take his yoke upon us, and learn from him; for he is gentle and humble
in heart, and we will find rest for our souls.**

**Please rise in body or spirit. †Or “Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.”*

***Hymn #309 Come, Great God of All the Ages**

Come, great God of all the ages; make your earthly mission known;
speak through every deed and person; let your way and will be shown.
Guide the church to true commitment; give direction now, we ask;
fit us for the work of building; dedicate us to the task.

Come, Christ Jesus, flesh and spirit, sure foundation, cornerstone;
help us form the church eternal; may your vision be our own.
Send a message to each follower; lead all people to your way;
urge us to strong faith and action as we build the church today.

Come, great Spirit, in and with us, tune our ears to hear your call;
through the moving of your presence, let redeeming love recall
ministry in dedication, love embodied in our deeds;
challenge us to do your bidding, see your purpose, fill all needs.

Come, O come, in celebration, household of the one true God;
in commitment and rejoicing let us go where Christ has trod;
as we act in faith and reverence, let us, Lord, the future see;
place us in the church triumphant, now and for eternity.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,
and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we
have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we
may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

Declaration of Pardon

One: Friends, believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ,” and encourage those online to text or email someone to let them know you are thinking of them.

Children age three through 5th grade are invited to come forward during the passing of the peace.

Time with Children

Children depart for Sunday School with their teachers.

Welcome

Please take a moment to let us know you are worshipping with us today. There are information pads in the pews for those in the Sanctuary and a digital form (use the link or QR code on screen) for those online.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Ephesians 1: 16-19, 2: 19-22

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:†
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Second Scripture Lesson Ephesians 3: 16-19, 4: 11-13

Sermon

Holy Practices for Life in the Real World: GatherCamille Cook Howe

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn #340 This is My Song**

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:
thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations:
myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Blessed Be God Betty Jacobson

*God is my rock, God is my fortress, a very present help in time of need. How precious are
God's thoughts of me; If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand. Search
me, O God, and know my heart, Try me, O God, and know my thoughts. Lead me in the way
everlasting. Blessed be God from everlasting to everlasting.*

***Offertory Response Hymn #288 Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: *The Lord be with you.*

All: **And also with you.**

One: *Lift up your hearts.*

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: ... *forever singing to the glory of your name:*

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, #565

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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, hosanna in the highest.

One: ... *Great is the mystery of faith.*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*) The Hymnal, #566

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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

Communion Anthem

Jesus, Sun of Life, My Splendor G. F. Handel

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, Thou, my friend most tender, Jesus, joy of my desiring, fount of life, my soul inspiring. At Thy feet I cry, my Maker, let me be a fit partaker of this blessed food from heaven, for our good, Thy glory given. Jesus, bread of life, I pray Thee, let me gladly here obey Thee, by Thy love I am invited, be Thy love with love requited. From this supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure. Through the gifts Thou here dost give me as Thy guest in heaven receive me.

Be Thou My Vision Arr. Richard Walters

Prayer After Communion

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn #475** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Go Now in Peace Robert Lau
Go now in peace, and may God's peace go with you. Believe, and trust God's holy word. Amen.

Postlude

Fuga from The Star Spangled Banner Concert Variations John K. Paine

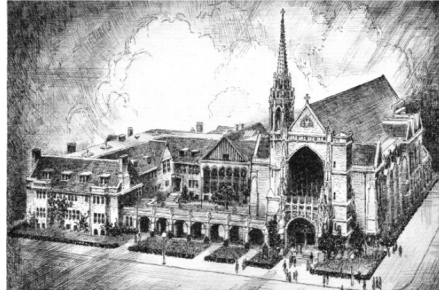
YOU BELONG HERE

Whether this is your first time worshipping at Fourth Presbyterian Church or you worship here regularly and call Fourth Church “home,” we are grateful you are here today. Inspired by the **radical hospitality of Jesus Christ**, we welcome everyone—without exception—into the life of this congregation.

Wherever you are in your faith journey, and whatever questions or burdens you carry, we affirm that God’s love is for everyone.

You belong here.

Each Sunday we gather to hear biblical stories, sing hymns of faith, and engage the world around us through prayer, worship, and preaching. As we connect the story of our lives with the story of Christ’s life, we discover



hope and joy and are inspired to reflect the light of Christ in our city as we live out our calling to love God and love one another.

Guided by our Antiracism Covenant, we seek to embrace values and practices that help us experience **Beloved Community**, where

differences are recognized as assets, celebrated, and experienced as strengths.

WORSHIPING IN PERSON AT FOURTH CHURCH



Let Us Know You’re Here!

All worshipers are invited to check in through the Church Center app (our church’s app for staying connected, exploring events, and check-in).

Please check in through Church Center to let us know you’re worshipping with us today. It’s an easy way to stay connected with our faith community. If you’re checking in for the first time, you can download the Church Center app from the Apple or Android app store or access it through our website homepage at FourthChurch.org.

Sound

Worship can be heard through “T” or “T-coil” settings of hearing aids. Please silence electronic devices during worship.

FIRST-TIME VISITOR



If you’re a first-time visitor at Fourth Church, we want to get to know you. Scan this QR code to complete our first-time visitor form or add your name to one of the pew pads.

WORSHIPING ONLINE

Livestream

Watch the 10:00 a.m. service live or anytime on our YouTube channel: bit.ly/fpconline



Check In

Let us know you’re worshipping online today. Scan the QR code to submit our online check-in form.

Online Giving

Make an offering online at FourthChurch.org/giving

Phone Access (10:00 a.m.)

Listen to worship by phone for those without internet access: 888-916-9166

Online Coffee Hour (following worship)

Join us via Zoom for conversation and connection: bit.ly/coffeehourfpc

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT ONLINE

Whether you live out of state, are traveling, worshipping from home, or simply want to enrich your online experience—we invite you to explore opportunities to deepen your faith and strengthen your connection with others at FourthChurch.org/online/connections.

IN-PERSON COFFEE HOUR

Please join us following worship today in Anderson Hall and the Gignilliat Commons for our weekly Coffee Hour—an opportunity to greet one another and build connections with the Fourth Church community. Visit our Connection Corner to learn about all the ways to get involved at Fourth Church.

SUPPORT THE CHURCH PICNIC ON JULY 12

Gather with the Fourth Church community for a relaxed indoor summer picnic featuring lunch, music, a bouncy castle for children, and fellowship for all ages. Free and open to everyone.



Volunteer at the picnic!

Help make the church picnic a success! Volunteers are needed to serve food and assist with cleanup. Scan the QR code to sign up through VOMO.

Become a Picnic Sponsor! Your gift helps make this special day of fellowship and community possible. To contribute, email giving@fourthchurch.org or visit fourthchurch.org/give and select “Connecting Ministries” from the dropdown menu.

Church Picnic

Sunday, July 12 | 11:00 a.m.

Gignilliat Commons, Anderson Hall, and Borwell Dining Room

SANCTUARY TOURS

This summer, discover the rich history and architecture of Fourth Church’s Sanctuary with member Ken Hazlett, who will lead a 15-minute presentation followed by a guided tour.

Tours will be offered following worship at 11:15 a.m. on July 19, August 9, and August 30.

CHURCH CENTER UPDATE

To ensure you receive the latest news and updates from Fourth Church, please take a moment to verify and update your contact information in Church Center.



To update your Church Center profile, scan this QR code. Once you are logged in, you can easily update your address, phone number, and email. Thank you for helping us keep our records current!

Church Center is our new primary tool for event registration and engagement.

You can now use Church Center to check in for worship and view the church calendar. Worship check-ins take place through the app; Sunday School check-ins take place at the check-in station in the Gratz Center’s Gignilliat Lobby (by the elevators).

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Pastoral Care

If you have a prayer request or would like to alert the pastoral staff to a care need, illness, hospitalization, or death, please contact the church office at 312.787.4570 or email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@FourthChurch.org). For emergencies, please call the church to be connected with the Minister on Call.

Fourth Church maintains a practice of praying for each member’s household throughout the year. On Wednesday mornings, you are invited to gather for Morning Prayer via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. to pray for members by name, all those who are in need, and mission partners around the world. For details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@FourthChurch.org)

Morning Prayer

Join us on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom as we pray for members of our congregation, those in need, and mission partners around the world. If you are interested in joining, please email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@FourthChurch.org) to receive the link.

Connections and Belonging

Come connect with others as we foster a welcoming and inclusive community where everyone feels supported in building meaningful relationships

GET CONNECTED WEEKEND

Fourth Church Online Community

On Sunday, September 13, Fourth Church will celebrate Get Connected Sunday, our annual celebration of community and connection. We're adding special activities on Friday and Saturday, September 11-12, for those in our Online Community who are able to travel to Chicago.



If you primarily worship online, please scan this QR code to register to attend Get Connected Weekend at Fourth Church.

MUSIC AT FOURTH

Join us by the fountain for our annual outdoor summer concert series, which kicks off this Friday, July 10, featuring Carol Moss, Cabaret.

For a full list of concerts this summer, please visit FourthChurch.org/concerts

Summer Noonday Concerts by the Fountain Friday, July 10–August 28 | 12:10 p.m.

In the case of inclement weather, outdoor concerts will be moved indoors to the Sanctuary.

DEEP LISTENING DINNER

Join us on Friday, July 10 for a shared meal and meaningful conversation centered on the theme, *Stories of Summer*—turning points, connections, comfort zones, and adventures. Deep Listening Dinners are an opportunity to meet new people, deepen relationships, and experience community, belonging, and spiritual nourishment.



**Deep Listening Dinner:
Stories of Summer**
Friday, July 10 | 6:00–8:00 p.m.
Anderson Hall
To register, scan this QR code.

CENTER FOR LIFE AND LEARNING

Summer Session Registration

Join us this summer! Registration for the Center for Life and Learning's Summer Session is still open.

The 7-week session begins July 13 and offers a wide range of classes in art, music, language learning, mindfulness, and wellness. Classes are available both in-person and online. For more information or to register, visit FourthChurch.org/cll

CLL Dance for Hunger

Join Center for Life and Learning instructor Anne Pringle Burnell for a fun, energizing dance class while supporting the Chicago Lights Social Service Center and its efforts to help feed our neighbors in need.

To register, scan the QR code.



CLL Dance for Hunger

Monday, July 20 | 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Anderson Hall

Admission is two nonperishable food items, which will be donated to the Social Service Center.

ARTIST TALK ON JULY 19

Artist Talk by Dorothy Straughter

Following worship on Sunday, July 19, join art quilter Dorothy Straughter in Buchanan Chapel for a presentation of her American History Quilts, which explore Black history through fiber arts.

Drawing on extensive historical research, these quilts illuminate stories of resilience in the face of trauma and are accompanied by interpretation and historical context. Please note that some quilts contain racist imagery as part of their historical subject matter.

Straughter's work has been exhibited at prominent Chicago institutions, including the Adler Planetarium, the Museum of Science and Industry, and the Art Institute of Chicago. Register online for this free event.



American History Quilts

Artist Talk by Dorothy Straughter

July 19, 2026 | 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Buchanan Chapel

Free

Faith Formation

Join us on our journey to grow spiritually through worship, educational opportunities, and programs that nurture faith across all ages

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in worship. If you need a quieter space, the Hospitality Suite (2nd floor, Gratz Center) offers a place where the service is livestreamed.

Nursery Care

Nursery care is available during morning worship for infants through age two (4th floor, Gratz Center).

Summer Sunday School

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School following Children's Time in the Sanctuary. Classes meet on the 4th floor of the Gratz Center.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

Holy Practices for Life in the Real World Sundays through August 30

Life is busy. The demands on our time, attention, and energy can leave us feeling disconnected from ourselves, one another, and God.

This summer, we are exploring **Holy Practices for Life in the Real World**—a sermon series focused on simple, meaningful Christian practices that help us live with greater purpose, peace, connection, and faith. Together, we will reflect on Jesus' invitation to slow down, reconnect, and grow in our relationship with God and one another.

Join us each Sunday as we discover practical ways to cultivate a deeper and more abundant life.

TWENTIES THIRTIES

Mini Golf at the Big Mini Putt Club

Join us for a fun evening of mini golf at the Big Mini Putt Club. We will have food, beverages, and unlimited mini golf. Friends are invited! The cost is \$20/person.



Mini Golf at the Big Mini Putt Club

Thursday, July 9 | 6:00–8:30 p.m.

3655 N Halsted, Chicago

Cost: \$20

To register, scan this QR code.

For more information about Twenties Thirties, please email Nance Bartell, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, nbartell@fourthchurch.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS



Daily Devotions

Start your day with reflections written by our pastors and church members. Subscribe to receive daily devotions by email by visiting: bit.ly/fpcdevotions or scan this QR code.

ZOOM BIBLE STUDIES

To receive information on how to join, email Pastor Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@FourthChurch.org).

Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

Summer Women's Bible Study

Keeping Your Heart in Tune with Whatever Life Brings

July 8 and 22, and August 12 and 26
12:00 p.m.

Climate Justice Climate Hope: Building a Moral Economy

July 8 and 22, and August 12 and 26
6:00 p.m.

FOURTH CHURCH PODCASTS

Looking for inspiration, thoughtful conversation, or a chance to revisit Sunday's message? Explore Fourth Church podcasts.

Weekly Worship Service Podcast

Missed a service or want to worship again during the week? Listen to our complete Sunday worship services on demand.

Bible Top 10

Join Pastors Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger as they count down and discuss some of the Bible's most memorable stories, characters, themes, and teachings—with insight, humor, and engaging conversation.

Salt & Light

Hosted by Pastor Joe Morrow, this podcast explores faith, discipleship, and what it means to live as followers of Christ in today's world.

Listen wherever you get your podcasts or visit fourthchurch.org/podcasts to learn more.

Community Engagements and Partnerships

Come alongside us as together, through programs and collaboration with partners, we advocate for social and community needs

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Meals Ministry

Meals Ministry is seeking volunteers to help serve meals on Sundays and Mondays to our neighbors in need this summer. Volunteers assist with setting up the dining room, serving meals and beverages, and helping with cleanup.

Sundays: Volunteers are needed from 3:00–6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.



Mondays: Volunteers are needed from 3:30–6:00 p.m. to help serve a meal at Catholic Charities (721 N. LaSalle St.). To sign up, via VOMO, please scan this QR code.

Coffee Hour Hosts (Anderson Hall)

Following Sunday worship, Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall offers a time for connection and community. Hosts help prepare and serve refreshments, welcome guests, and assist with light setup and cleanup. We are especially in need of additional volunteers this summer.

You do not need to be a member of Fourth Church to volunteer and serve — all are welcome.

To learn more or sign up, please contact Robert Crouch, Director, Volunteer Ministry, at rcrouch@FourthChurch.org or 312-981-3382.

URBAN FARM

Get your favorite produce at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm this summer! Choose from a variety of locally grown, seasonal vegetables, herbs, and even flowers. Every purchase from the Farmstand directly supports the Urban Farm's job-training programs while helping strengthen our local food system and the economy.

For more information, please visit the Chicago Lights website chicagolights.org/urban-farm

Urban Farm Farmstand

Saturdays through October 31 | 1:00–3:00 p.m.
444 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago

CHICAGO LIGHTS SUMMER DAY



Chicago Lights Summer Day is seeking volunteers to support the six-week program through July 31.

Volunteers support students in grades K–8 by assisting in classrooms, helping with special events and field trips, and contributing to a program that offers academics, arts, enrichment, and wellness. Now in its 45th year, Summer Day continues to serve and support young people through a vibrant, holistic learning environment. Interested volunteers can scan the QR code to complete an application.

Please save the date for this year's Summer Day student performance on Friday, July 31 at 1:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. More details to come. We hope you can join us to celebrate these incredible students!

THE CHICAGO IMMIGRATION STORY

The 2026 Galloway Lecture: The Chicago Immigration Story

Featuring Rev. David Black of First Presbyterian Church of Chicago and Immigration attorney, Maureen Graves.

Join us for the 2026 Galloway Lecture as Rev. David Black and Maureen Graves share perspectives on immigration in Chicago and beyond. Drawing on their work with immigrants and asylum seekers, they will explore the challenges, opportunities, and stories shaping our immigrant communities today. The lecture will take place in Buchanan Chapel, followed by lunch in Borwell Dining Room.



Saturday, July 25, 2026

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Lecture (free)

Buchanan Chapel

12:45–1:30 p.m. Lunch \$30

To register, scan this QR code.

Worship Leaders

Camille Cook Howe, Rocky Supinger, Matt Helms, Joe Morrow, Nancy Benson-Nicol

Beadle: Carole Bekken

Liturgist: Melanie Pierce

The Music Today

Ross Updegraff, guest organist

Summer Choir

Fourth Church Calendar



Stay up to date with worship services, programs, and special events by visiting the full Fourth Church online calendar. Scan the QR code or visit the link below to view upcoming events.

FourthChurch.org/calendar

Giving to Support the Ministry of Fourth Church



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Camille Cook Howe Pastor

Rocky Supinger Senior Associate Pastor

Nancy Benson-Nicol Associate Pastor

Matt Helms Associate Pastor

Joseph L. Morrow Associate Pastor

Nanette Sawyer Associate Pastor

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Sunday parking is available at the Hancock garage (enter from Delaware or Chestnut) for \$10 between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. by using a validation ticket from the ushers.