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4:00 Order of Worship 03.14.10

## Gathering

### Gathering Music

*We invite you to complete the prayer card found in this worship bulletin and to place it in the plate during the sharing of gifts. Information about the prayer cards is printed on the outside back cover of the bulletin.*

### Welcome

*Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical limitation, educational background, or economic situation.*

### Call to Worship

Leader: Sing praises to God, O you saints, and give thanks to God's holy name!

People: **We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!**

Leader: We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

People: **You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.**

Leader: You turn our mourning into dancing! Our souls cannot be silent!

People: **O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you forever! Amen.**

**\*Song**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

*Tune:* NETTLETON

1. 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!
2. 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.
3. 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.

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

**O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious,  
filled with mercy and steadfast love,  
we are embarrassed to come before you:  
for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways,  
for we have rebelled against your wisdom  
and we have gotten into trouble,  
for we have rejected your fatherly guidance  
and have gotten lost altogether.**

**To you belongs righteousness, O Lord,  
and to us confusion of face.**

**O Lord, great God, all holy, filled with awe;  
Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love,  
incline your ear to our troubles.**

**Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you.**

**Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness,  
but on the ground of your great mercy.**

**On the ground of your great mercy  
in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ.**

**It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior,  
and the mediator of the covenant of grace.**

**Amen.**

### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As God's forgiven people, let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.*

## **Hearing and Proclaiming the Word**

### **Scripture Lesson**

Luke 15:11b–32

(page 73, N.T.)

2 Corinthians 5:16–21

(page 170, N.T.)

**Sermon** by Adam Fronczek

Making Mistakes

## **Sealing the Word**

### **Sharing of Gifts**

*Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.*

**Offertory Anthem** "Simple Gifts"

*Shaker song  
arr. Aaron Copland*

'Tis the gift to be simple; 'tis the gift to be free;  
'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be;  
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.  
When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend  
we shan't be ashamed. To turn, turn, will be our delight,  
'till by turning, turning, we come round right.

**\*Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

### **Sanctus**

### **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

### Communion Music “Deep Peace”

*Andrew Carter*

Deep peace of the running wave to you;  
deep peace of the flowing air to you;  
deep peace of the quiet earth to you;  
deep peace of the shining stars to you;  
deep peace of the Son of peace to you.

### Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**Lord, you have met us here at your table of grace;  
you have offered us forgiveness;  
you have offered us compassion;  
you have offered us encouragement;  
you have offered us a challenge.  
As we go from this place,  
may we offer our lives to you and to others,  
accepting your grace and extending it to others.  
Amen.**

## Sending

### \*Sending Song

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

### \*Benediction

### Sending Music

### **A note on inclusive language**

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God will be 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.

### **Worship Leaders**

<b>Adam Fronczek</b>	Associate Pastor
<b>Sarah A. Johnson</b>	Pastoral Resident
<b>Fourth at Four Ensemble</b>	
<b>The Chamber Choir</b>	
<b>Katy Sinclair</b>	Pianist

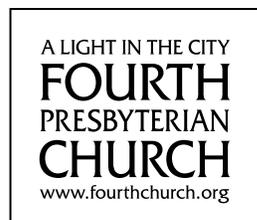
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### **Fourth Church Cares**

To notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange homebound Communion with a Deacon, contact Sarah Johnson, member of the pastoral staff at 312.981.4034 ([sjohnson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:sjohnson@fourthchurch.org)).

# News and Opportunities

## News and Resources

**Inquirers' Class** offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership. For more information about membership, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 ([lloving@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lloving@fourthchurch.org)).

**The Fourth Church website**, [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org), makes available recordings (including podcasts) of the 11:00 a.m. services; sermon transcripts from all worship services; the text of worship bulletins and News and Opportunities; devotional resources; and programming details.

**AARP tax preparation assistance** will be provided courtesy of the CLL on Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. through April 9. To make an appointment, call the Infoline at 312.640.5459. All are welcome; there are no income or age restrictions.

## Volunteers and Donations

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Servers for Easter Brunch;** 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (on Easter Sunday, April 4)

**Entrepreneurs** to talk with Tutoring youth on March 22 or 23

**Substitute tutors for the Tutoring Program;** Monday–Thursday evenings

**Reading and math tutors** for children at two Cabrini-Green elementary schools

**Volunteers to sort and pack food** at the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Saturday, May 1, 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

**Instrumentalists and Chamber Choir singers** to assist in leading 4:00 p.m. worship

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Shaving cream, toothpaste, men's and women's underwear (sizes L–XL),** for guests of the Social Service Center

**Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill;** a list of items and sizes is available by contacting Larry Nicholson

**Men's seasonal sturdy clothes** in larger sizes (pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

**Greeting cards, stamps, envelopes** for Sunday and Monday Night supper guests

*For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 ([lnicholson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lnicholson@fourthchurch.org)).*

## Mission and Outreach

**Thank you to all who supported Carnaval,** the 2010 Mission Benefit, through contributions, volunteering time and talent, or participating in the evening's festivities, drawing, or auctions. Your generous support enables Chicago Lights and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center to serve those in need.

**Mission trip applications for the "Urban Regeneration" weekend** (April 30–May 1) are due tomorrow, Monday, March 15; applications for the **Honduras trip** (July 30–August 9) are due Monday, March 29; and Monday, April 5 is the deadline for the June 21–26 trip to **Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations**. Details and applications are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**The eleven Cuba mission trip participants** are spending this week with our sister congregation, First Presbyterian Church of Havana. Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

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## Enrichment

**Weekly Monday evening yoga** is held at 6:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest. All ages and levels are welcome. For details, email [yoga@fourthchurch.org](mailto:yoga@fourthchurch.org).

**Men's Bible Study** meets this Tuesday, March 16 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 ([abright@fourthchurch.org](mailto:abright@fourthchurch.org)).

### **Weekly Bible Study opportunities:**

*Women*, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

*Life and Learning*, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**The Christian Century Study Groups** will continue meeting this Wednesday, March 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**Academy for Faith and Life** adult education classes are held Sunday mornings:

- **"Presbyterianism and Catholicism,"** led by Fred Holper, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"Love, Bible Style: Exploring the Song of Songs,"** taught by John Vest, meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room
- **"Callings: Vocations and the Christian Life,"** taught by Adam Fronczek, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony
- **"The Qur'an,"** led by Omer Mozaffar, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A

For course descriptions or more details, pick up an Academy brochure, located in the literature racks, or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html).

**"Sound Sleep Habits"** will be the topic of a Center for Whole Health-sponsored presentation on Tuesday, March 23 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. Participants are invited to bring brown-bag lunches and arrive early at 11:30 a.m. for a time of fellowship prior to the presentation. JoAnn Gruca, gerontological nurse practitioner, will be the keynote speaker.

**The Community Book Group** will gather Tuesday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss *Zeitoun* by Dave Eggers.

**Three Nia "Splash Out" sessions**, offering participants a chance to try this fitness class fusing dance, yoga, and martial arts, will be held Saturdays, March 27, April 17, and May 8 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. For information or to register, visit [www.niachicago.com](http://www.niachicago.com) or call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Second Blooming for Women: Growing a Life that Matters after Fifty* by Kathleen Vestal Logan and Betsy Smith on Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Coauthor Kathleen Logan will join in the April discussion.

## Fellowship

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets on Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For more details about Young Adult Ministry at Fourth Church, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 ([enickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:enickerson@fourthchurch.org))

**A Lenten book study, hosted by the ThirtiesForties fellowship group**, meets on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse and focuses on *Lent and Easter Wisdom* by Henri Nouwen.

**Cornerstones**, a fellowship group for couples, spouses, and partners age fifty and over, will next meet Friday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse for a Good Friday supper; afterwards, they will attend the choral service at 7:30 p.m. For details or to RSVP, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

**Fellowship groups for mothers with children age 0-4** meet at member homes in various neighborhoods. To join a group or for more information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 ([enickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:enickerson@fourthchurch.org)).

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## Music and the Arts

**Vocalists Elizabeth Anderson and Alexia Kruger** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**The Newberry Consort** will be in concert Friday, March 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at [www.newberry.org](http://www.newberry.org) or by calling 312.255.3610.

**The Chicago Ensemble** will perform at Fourth Church Tuesday, March 23. Tickets for their 7:30 p.m. performance are available by calling 773.889.4206 or visiting [www.thechicagoensemble.org](http://www.thechicagoensemble.org).

## Lent and Easter

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will be held Tuesday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are available at the Fourth Church reception desk until Tuesday, March 16.

**Memorialize or honor loved ones** by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those remembered and honored will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. (Donations must be received by *Friday, March 26* in order for names to appear in the bulletin.) Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or by calling Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381 ([wcarter@fourthchurch.org](mailto:wcarter@fourthchurch.org)).

**Daily Lenten devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff are available in the church literature racks, by email (simply send email addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**Easter Brunch** will take place on Sunday, April 4 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available during morning Coffee Hour and also at the reception desk.

## Worship

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sunday mornings. Individuals can place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

**Morning Prayer** is held weekdays at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel.

**Sunday morning worship services** are held at 8:00 (Communion) and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**A prayer service in the style of Taizé** is held each fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.; the next service is March 26. Prior to that service, a labyrinth walk will be available from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**On Palm Sunday, March 28**, the final morning service will be held at 11:30 a.m. A children's processional will be part of 9:30 and 11:30 worship.

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Sunday school classes** for children meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Fourth Church youth** meet each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.: Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) meets in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow's Nest.

**The March 19 Family Night** will feature Scottish Highland dancers. Families with younger children are invited to arrive at 5:30 p.m.; families with older children are invited to arrive at 6:15 p.m. Contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 ([mscanlan@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mscanlan@fourthchurch.org)) for details.

## During Today's Worship

**All are encouraged to use the prayer card**, found in this worship bulletin, to offer joys and/or concerns. The cards will be collected during the Sharing of Gifts (simply place the card in the offering plate as it is passed). The prayers will then be incorporated into this afternoon's Prayers of the People.

If you have a prayer you would rather not share during worship, you are invited to complete a prayer card found by one of the prayer boxes in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary, and it will be passed on to Sarah Johnson of the pastoral staff.

**All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table** to receive Communion, which is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available in the paper "cup" within the basket of bread), which they will then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

### **Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship**

Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission  
Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for  
Adult Education and Worship  
Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism  
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry  
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader, Pastoral Resident  
Sarah A. Johnson, Pastoral Resident  
Joann H. Lee, Pastoral Resident

**During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the** pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

**The large banners hanging in the middle of the Sanctuary** were created by liturgical artist Shawna Bowman during the 4:00 worship service and are artistic representations of our worship experience.

**Large-print Bibles and individual listening devices** for improved sound are available in the back of the sanctuary. Worship also can be heard through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

**If your infant or small child needs care** during the worship service, you may leave the sanctuary and return as you wish. The worship service audio can be heard in Stone Chapel, where you and your child are also welcome. There is also an area in the side aisle where your child can play quietly.

**Worship folders**, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from an usher.

**Printed copies of sermons** recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available at [www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html).

**Please turn off all cell phones when in the sanctuary.**

## If You Are New to Fourth Church

**Please wear a lapel pin**, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship. We invite you to stop by the community meal or the Loggia (through the doors to your left as you face the front of the sanctuary) after worship for fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

**Sunday parking is available** at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Streets) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets must be picked up from

the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

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