



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.

*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.

* Stand as you are able

***Call to Worship** (*from Psalm 33*)

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.

People: **Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to God with the harp of ten strings.**

Leader: Sing to God a new song; play skillfully on the strings with loud shouts.

People: **For the word of the Lord is upright, and all God's work is done in faithfulness.**

Leader: God loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

People: **By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,
and all their host by the breath of God's mouth.**

Leader: God gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; God put the deeps in storehouses.

People: **God spoke, and it came to be; God commanded, and it stood firm.**

Leader: Our soul waits for the Lord; God is our help and shield.

People: **Our heart is glad in the Lord, because we trust in God's holy name.**

Leader: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

***Song** "God Is Here!"

Prayer for Illumination

Reading "What Would You Do?"

Musical Improvisation

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness (*Psalm 130*)

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

Leader: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

People: **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

Silence

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God's word I hope;

People: **my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

Silent prayers of confession

Leader: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with God is great power to redeem. It is God who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Song "When the Storms of Life Are Raging"

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Variations on the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25–37)

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25–37

(page 67, N.T.)

Sermon by John W. Vest

Go and Do Likewise

***Song**

“The Servant Song”

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Solo

“The Gift of Love”

English folk song

***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!**

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 Solo "Just Taste and See"

Traditional song

Prayer after Communion *(unison)*

**Gracious God, at this sacred meal you draw us into communion
with you and with each other. Through the transforming words of
Jesus and his incarnational life of radical love, you show us who our
neighbors are. Nourished at this table, send us out to be Christ to
the world, full of compassion and selflessness. Filled with your Spirit,
may we be agents of your peace and reconciliation, loving others
as you love us. Amen.**



Sending

***Song**

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

***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

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Heather Renwick	Reader
Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet	

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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, Minister for Congregational Care, at 312.981.4034 (sjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Dinner tickets are available at the reception desk. This traditional dinner will be served in Anderson Hall at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 25.

The annual Thanksgiving Day Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 21 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist Church at 1000 N. Orleans.

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship will be held on Tuesday, November 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Church (not Holy Name Cathedral, as was publicized elsewhere); Chicago Sinai Congregation, Holy Name Cathedral, and Fourth Church will be participating.

Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Thursday, November 25. Sarah Johnson will be preaching.

Mission and Outreach

An advocacy trip to Springfield will be held this Wednesday, November 17 to bring to the attention of legislators issues related to "Silence the Violence, Support Our Youth."

Cleanup Day at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm will be held this Saturday, November 20, which is the last day of Farm Stand and Open Volunteer Hours.

Attending a Chicago Human Rhythm Project performance November 26–28 will support the mission and ministry of Chicago Lights. For tickets and information, visit www.chicagolights.org.

Applications for the 2011 Cuba and Colombia mission trips are due this December. Details about these and other upcoming Fourth Church mission trips are available in the literature racks and online or by contacting Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384.

Worship

All are invited to the ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament of Fourth Church member Polly Toner tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m.

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

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. 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.

The monthly Taizé service will not be held in November. The next Taizé service will be held on New Year's Eve at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

A Morning Prayer service remembering those who have died and those who are suffering from AIDS will be held Tuesday, December 1 at 9:00 a.m.

Children and Family

Giggles for God!—a weekly sing-along for parents and their babies, toddlers, or preschoolers—meets Sundays at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in Westminster House.

Sunday School classes meet Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

Fourth Church Youth meet Sundays 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.

An Advent Wreath Workshop for children and families will be held on Sunday morning, November 28 in the Activity Center. For details, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

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

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

A book conversation with Chicago Sinai

Congregation members will be held Tuesday, November 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. The topic of discussion, led by Rabbi Levinsky and Joyce Shin, will be Philip Roth's *Nemesis*.

"This I Believe," an evening with Bob Edwards, public radio host, will be held Wednesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.wbez.org (enter FPC for discount).

A Fourth Church study tour of the Holy Land will be led by Adam Fronczek and John Vest in June. For details, contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398.

Christmas

The "Christmas Wishes" gift project collects gifts for more than 700 children who might not otherwise receive them. Wish lists are available by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Chicago Lights Holiday Cards, designed by Tutoring students, are available at the reception desk and online at www.chicagolights.org.

A contemplative Advent retreat, led by Vicky Curtiss, will be held December 3–4 at the Cenacle. Registration is due Sunday, November 21. Details are available in the literature racks or by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 4 and 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Fellowship

Young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five are invited to meet on Sundays at 12:20 p.m. in the Randolph Room for discussion and fellowship.

An Advent book study of *Watch for the Light* will begin Sunday, November 28 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room and will be hosted by the Young Adults and ThirtiesForties fellowship groups.

Music and the Arts

All are invited to join the Fourth Church choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 20 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

"Peaceable Kingdom," art by Chicagoan David Lee Csicsko, is now on exhibition in the Loggia. An artist open house and gallery talk will be held Wednesday, November 17, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Loggia.

Chanticleer will perform their annual Christmas concerts at Fourth Church on Monday, December 6 and Tuesday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets, which sell out quickly, are available through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (www.cso.org; 312.294.3000).

Volunteers

Current Volunteer Needs

Social Service Center helpers on the first Friday of each month to help with clothes distribution
Tutors for Monday and Thursday nights
Greeters, ushers, hostesses for Thanksgiving Gospelfest; Sunday, November 21 at 3:30 p.m.
Clothes sorters on Mondays and Fridays

For details, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

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

Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for
Adult Education and Worship
Kerri N. Allen, Pastoral Resident
Matthew J. Helms, Pastoral Resident
Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Sarah A. Johnson, Minister for Congregational Care

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. 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.

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.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Saturday, November 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, November 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, December 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information, contact Jo Preuninger, Interim Director of Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (jpreuninger@fourthchurch.org).