



## 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 we gather together for worship, let us not be strangers, but sisters and brothers in Christ. As God's forgiven people, please stand and 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 and remain standing for the Call to Worship.*

\* Stand as you are able

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: As we are called into worship today,  
it is sobering to remember that  
when God appeared on earth in the person of Jesus,  
most of the world did not recognize him  
and therefore did not worship him.  
Today we ask for the faith that will open our eyes  
to see Jesus for who he is,  
that we might worship him in truth.  
People of God, behold and see your God!

People: **We open our eyes to see his glory.**  
**We open our ears to hear his wisdom.**  
**We open our hands to offer him gifts.**  
**We open our mouths to sing his praise.**  
**We open our hearts to offer him our love.**  
**He is Lord!**

**\*Song**        "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

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

**God of love and justice,  
we long for peace within and peace without.  
We long for harmony in our families,  
for serenity in the midst of struggle.  
We long for the day when our homes  
will be a dwelling place for your love.  
Yet we confess that we are often anxious;  
we do not trust each other,  
and we harbor violence.  
We are not willing to take the risks  
and make the sacrifices that love requires.  
Look upon us with kindness and grace.  
Rule in our homes and in all the world;  
show us how to walk in your paths,  
through the mercy of our Savior. Amen.**

# Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

**Musical Reflection**

**Scripture Reading** Mark 1

(page 32, N.T.)

**Sermon** by Adam H. Fronczek

**Musical Reflection**

## Sealing the Word

**Sharing of Gifts**

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

**Offertory Solo** "In the Garden"

*C. Austin Miles*

**\*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

Stephen Rush



Holy, holy, ho-ly God of pow-er and might.\_\_\_\_

Ho-ly ho-ly, ho-ly God of pow-er and might,\_\_\_\_

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_

### 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 "Trees"

Margaret Pleasant Douroux

**Prayer after Communion** (*unison*)

**God of grace, you have fed us with the wisdom of your word,  
and at this table, you feed us for the journey of life.**

**Thank you for all that we receive at this table:**

**forgiveness for the past, strength for the present, and hope for the future.**

**Send us out into the world to feed others as you have fed us. Amen.**



## **Sending**

**\*Song**      “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**\*Benediction**

**Sending Music**

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### **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**

**Adam H. Fronczek**

Associate Pastor

**Matthew J. Helms**

Pastoral Resident

**Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet**

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### **The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago**

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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](mailto:sjohnson@fourthchurch.org)).

# News and Opportunities

## News and Resources

**The main entrance to the church buildings and the reception desk will be relocated beginning Monday, January 10.** The 126 E. Chestnut entrance will no longer be accessible to the public after today. The main entrance during the construction period will be through the southeast corner of the Garth, and the new reception desk will be at that entrance, where the Large Conference Room has been.

**Some of the church staff and some programming spaces are relocating this week to the 19th floor of the 737 building** (Olympia Centre), which is located on Chicago Avenue, just east of Michigan Avenue (behind Walgreens), during the construction period.

**Center for Life and Learning classes and offices will relocate** to the 737 building beginning Tuesday, January 11.

**P2C Gift Intentions** will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$5.5 million by Ken and Anne Griffin if submitted by Easter Sunday, April 24. Gift Intention forms for the Project Second Century building campaign are available in the pew racks or online at [www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html). For more information, contact Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380.

**Temporary construction walls** have been built at the base of the stairs to Anderson Hall South Balcony, at the south end of Anderson Hall, and in the Dining Room to enable ongoing work to ready the 126 E. Chestnut site for the demolition and new building construction work taking place in the weeks ahead. A temporary exit stairway is also being built from the Dining Room to facilitate Project Second Century construction. For work details, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html).

**The Fourth Church website**, [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org), makes available audio (including podcasts) of the 11:00 a.m. services; the text of worship bulletins; devotions; and programming information.

## Music and the Arts

**Violinist Michelle Wynton** will perform this Friday's Free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**Millikin University Choir** will be in concert at Fourth Church on Friday, January 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**Those who would like to receive *Music Notes***, a weekly email newsletter about music at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to [music@fourthchurch.org](mailto:music@fourthchurch.org).

## Fellowship

**Young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five** meet on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room for discussion and a time of fellowship. On Tuesday, January 25, Young Adults fellowship will host Board Games Night at 7:00 p.m. in the Manse.

**Fourth Dimension**, a fellowship group for individuals age forty-seven and older, will gather on Friday, January 14 for a fun-filled night of line-dancing led by Chicago Dance. The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)) by this Wednesday, January 12.

**Those in their thirties and forties** are invited to attend an ice-skating social on Saturday, January 15 at 2:00 p.m. at the rink in Millennium Park. Then on Sunday, January 16 ThirtiesForties will kick off their winter discussion series at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. For more details or to RSVP for ice-skating, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**"Eat, Pray, Love"** is the theme of the Fourth Church women's retreat, which will be held on Saturday, January 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the church. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

## Volunteers

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Clothes sorters** on Mondays and Thursdays

**Social Service Center helpers** on the first Friday of each month to help with clothes distribution

### **Volunteers to participate in various service**

**projects** on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Saturday, January 15 between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

**Male church members** to join a care team for an individual (60610 zip code)

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Men's seasonal sturdy clothes**, especially jeans and other pants, long-sleeved shirts, and underwear in larger sizes

*For details, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).*

## Worship

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

**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 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.

**A service in the style of Taizé** is held on the fourth Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; the next Taizé service will be held Friday, January 28.

## Mission and Outreach

### **In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day,**

members of the Fourth Church community are invited to participate in Saturday, January 15 service projects coordinated by the Multicultural Initiatives and Resources Committee at Fourth Church.

For more details or to sign up by the January 10 deadline, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

### **The Executive Director of the Chicago Housing Authority**

Lewis Jordan will speak at an upcoming Michigan Avenue Forum on Thursday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets** offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant (but not for liquor or tobacco). For information or to purchase a \$5 booklet, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

### **Applications for the March 26–April 2 trip**

**to Colombia** are due this Saturday, January 15; details about this and other 2011 mission trips to Tennessee, Lakota Reservations, Cameroon, and Northern Ireland are available in the mission trip booklets in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html).

### **Chicago Lights Holiday Cards make great**

**seasonal thank-you notes.** Cards are available at the reception desk during the week and online at [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org). All proceeds benefit the Tutoring program.

**Save the date for Carnaval!** The 2011 Mission Benefit will be held on Friday, March 4 at the Ritz-Carlton. For details, visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).



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## Enrichment

### Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

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

*CLL*, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**Books by Women** will meet Tuesday, January 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse to discuss *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. The Tuesday, February 8 gathering of this book group will feature Toni Morrison's novel, *A Mercy*.

**A Center for Life and Learning Jazz Winter Party** will be held Thursday, January 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Celebrated jazz pianist Erwin Helfer will be the guest musician. For tickets, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

**"How to Do Good Grief"** will be the topic of the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center's annual Midwinter Conference, to be held at the church on Saturday, February 5. For details, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

**A Fourth Church study tour of the Holy Land** will be led by Adam Fronczek and John Vest June 20–29. For information and an application (due February 11), contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398 (afronczek@fourthchurch.org).

**Daily devotions**, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by email from [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org).

**Inquirers' Class** provides an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Monday, January 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

## Children, Youth, and Family

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

**Fourth Church Youth** meet Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Next Sunday the youth will have an open house at the 737 building (on Chicago Avenue, just east of Michigan Avenue), where they will begin meeting regularly on Sunday, January 23.

**Fellowship groups for mothers with children ages 0–12** meet at different times and days and 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)).

**Storyteller Mark Kater** will provide the entertainment at the Friday, January 21 "Story Time" Family Night. For information or to RSVP, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 ([mscanlan@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mscanlan@fourthchurch.org)).

**A skating party for children, youth, and families** will be held Saturday afternoon, February 19 from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. at the Daley Bicentennial Rink on Randolph Street. For details or to RSVP, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 ([mscanlan@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mscanlan@fourthchurch.org)).

**To receive monthly emails with programming news** for children and families, subscribe to the *Good Newsletter* by emailing addresses to [mscanlan@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mscanlan@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 H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for  
Adult Education and Worship  
Kerri N. Allen, Pastoral Resident  
Matthew J. Helms, Pastoral Resident  
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

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

**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](http://www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html).

## 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 Monday, January 10 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, January 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, January 23 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For information, contact Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 ([lloving@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lloving@fourthchurch.org)).