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4:00 Order of Worship 08.07.11

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 forgiven children of God, let us not be strangers to one another, but sisters and brothers in Christ. 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.

Call to Worship (Psalm 89:1-4)

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

People: **with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**

Leader: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

People: **your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

Leader: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one: I will establish your descendants forever and build your throne for all generations."

People: **Praise the Lord!**

***Song** "The God of Abraham Praise"

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, we thank you for placing us in covenant relationships: relationships with neighbors, friends, and family. Forgive us for the times when we break this covenant relationship with them, and forgive them when they break this covenant with us. Teach us every day to love and serve, to cherish and protect those with whom we live. In your name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

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

Baptism

Opening Sentences

Questions to the Parents

Question to the Congregation

Prayer

The Baptism

Prayer after Baptism (*unison*)

Strengthen each of us in our own baptisms that we might rejoice as children of God and serve you fully and faithfully. Help us to be Christ's body in this world, offering to each person the grace and love we were given by you. Amen.

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Jazz Improvisation

Scripture Reading Genesis 32—33 (*selected passages*) (page 28, O.T.)

Sermon by Matthew J. Helms
"Meeting Again for the First Time"

Jazz Improvisation

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "Come Ye Disconsolate" *Samuel Webbe*

***Doxology** *Lucy Smith*

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

Lucy Smith

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 "Love One Another"

Anonymous

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Lord, at your table there are no divisions, for we are all members of Christ's body. As we have shared with one another in this sacrament, may we go out freely sharing with others; forgiving all wrongs and seeing anew, with the vision you have called us to. Amen.

Sending

***Song** "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

***Benediction**

Sending Song

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

Matthew J. Helms

Pastoral Resident

Adam H. Fronczek

Associate Pastor

Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

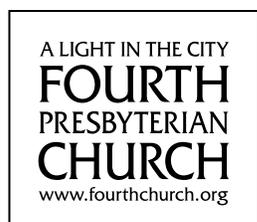
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The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

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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 Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

A letter urging Illinois state senators to support an increase in the minimum wage in Illinois is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html.

A Guatemala mission trip over Christmas break will provide an opportunity to help build homes outside of Antigua. For information or to apply, contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, September 19.

The Annual School Supply Drive, organized by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, is underway and continues through August 28. The top six items needed this week are extra-large backpacks, pencils (packs of 8–12), black pens (packs of 8–12), scissors (blunt), folders (two-pocket, three-prong), and spiral notebooks (wide- and college-ruled). Donations can be dropped off at Coffee Hour, or during the week, at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a complete list of items needed, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.html.

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. To purchase a \$5 booklet, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm is holding open hours on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New volunteer orientation is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for the opportunity to remember in prayer members of the congregation and those in need.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be Friday, August 26. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes. For more information about the service, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html.

News and Resources

Those who have not yet completed a 2011 Giving Response Card for the Church Alive Annual Appeal are encouraged to do so to help Fourth Church and Chicago Lights meet the need for the \$5.2 million in pledged gifts required for the 2011 budget. We are deeply grateful to the 1,001 households who have already made pledges, with commitments totaling \$3.7 million, helping to ensure that Fourth Church is truly a Church Alive. Pledges can be made at www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html or by using the Giving Response Cards available in the pew racks.

The Chicago Architecture Foundation's "Devil in the White City" tour will be available for all those age 60 or more on Wednesday, August 24. Participants will explore the compelling story told in Erik Larson's best-selling book. For fee details or to register (required), contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, August 15.

Photos and updates from Northern Ireland mission trip participants are posted on the Fourth Church page on Facebook: www.facebook.com/fourthchurch. Fourth Church is also on Twitter: @FourthChicago.

Every adult who owns anything and cares about what happens to it, as well as anyone who wants to leave a bequest for the church, needs a will. For more information about planned giving, call Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks, via Facebook and Twitter, and by email: send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org.

Nominating forms for the officers of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church. Recommendations will be received through September 30.

A giving kiosk in the Narthex makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church, Chicago Lights, or Project Second Century. A receipt will be printed immediately. Gifts can be made anonymously or recorded to Fourth Church giving records.

Fourth Presbyterian Church strives to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

Fellowship

Young Adults meet for fellowship on Sundays during Coffee Hour following 11:00 worship. They also gather on Monday evenings for beach volleyball at 6:15 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

An excursion to the state fair in Wisconsin, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Monday, August 8. Those age 60 or more are invited to enjoy classic American tastes, sights, and sounds during this full-day trip. A private motor coach will depart from the Clare at Water Tower (55 E. Pearson) at 8:30 a.m. For information or to register, contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Children, Youth, and Family

Summer Sunday School for preschool through fifth grade meets Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Vacation Bible School for preschoolers through fifth-graders will be held August 15–19. (Preschool registration is now at capacity and thus closed.) Registration information is available during Coffee Hour and from Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578.

A drop-in summer playgroup for parents and their children through three years old is held on Saturdays and Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

Single parents interested in forming a group to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting are invited to call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

Enrichment

Weekly Bible Study Opportunity

CLL Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

“Going with the Grain,” a cooking demonstration, will take place on Thursday, August 18 at 11:30 a.m. in the 737 building. To register (required), call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

Inquirers’ Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class next meets Saturday, August 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the Randolph Room.

Nia fitness classes offered through the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health meet Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:15 a.m. at the 737 building. For information or to register, call the Nia Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Donation Needs

Men’s shoes and pants for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Share Shop

Current Volunteer Needs

Adult assistants for Vacation Bible School

August 15-19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Clothes sorters for the Elam Davies Social Service Center on weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Cooks/servers for the weekly Social Service Center Sunday night supper

Helpers at the Urban Farm on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. and in the Urban Farm’s office on weekdays to assist with community outreach

Church members to replenish a care team for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

For details or to volunteer, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

Music and the Arts

Jerry Johnson, a member of the Morning Choir, and the **Laura Hoffman Trio** will perform this Friday’s free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the courtyard.

An art exhibition, “Seeing with Indian Eyes,” featuring batiks, woodblock prints, copper etchings, and acrylics by P. Solomon Raj, will be on display in the Loggia through mid-August.

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 Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care.

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

Kerri N. Allen, Pastoral Resident

Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for
Adult Education and Worship

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.

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, August 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, August 28 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Monday, September 12 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information, contact Linda Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).