

Reformation Sunday

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 "Just As I Am"

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: As sisters and brothers in one human family, gathered here to worship God,
let us greet one another with the peace of Jesus 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.

***Opening Song "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"**

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace
to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

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

Jazz improvisation

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Joshua 6:15–27

(page 189, O.T.)

Sermon Adam H. Fronczek
Being Honest about Who We Have Been

Musical Reflection “Just As I Am”

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 Webb, Sr.

***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 "Of the Spirit"

J.B.O. Clemm

Prayer After Communion (*unison*)

God of love, we thank you for this meal,
for this table where we bring our brokenness,
for the togetherness that is found in our shared need for your help,
for your grace which sustains us where we have failed,
and for your promise of new life for us all.
Send us out into the world honest about who we have been,
thankful that we are your children,
and hopeful about who you call us to be in the days to come.
Amen.

Sending

Closing Song "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

***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

Adam H. Fronczek

Associate Pastor

Judith L. Watt

Associate Pastor

Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

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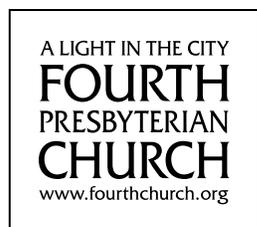
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Fourth Church Cares

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

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday school classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

Fourth Church youth, including Elevation (grades 6–7), Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation), and Senior Highs (grades 9–12), will meet today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building.

The Smorgasbord of Schools will be held next Sunday, November 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Dining Room. Families are invited to come learn about elementary schools in Chicago.

This year's children's musical, *100% Chance of Rain*, will take place on Friday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are invited.

News and Resources

Tickets for the Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 24 at 12:30 p.m. are available at the reception desk during the week.

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 6. Be sure to set clocks back an hour.

Save the date! Carnival 2012, the annual Mission Benefit, will be Friday, March 2.

Chestnut Street remains unavailable for drop-offs while the City of Chicago undertakes sewer improvement work. The number of lanes in use on Michigan Avenue also continues to be limited.

To stay up-to-date with Fourth Church: "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). "Christianity without Heaven or Hell," led by John Vest, and "Expected Grace: Can Jesus' Interactions with Women Help You Get Over Your Fear of the Bible?" led by Judy Watt, meet at 9:30 a.m. "Understanding Arab Spring," led by Azam Nizamuddin, and "At the Name of Jesus," led by Tom Rook, meet at 11:00 a.m.

The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study meets Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Men's Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:30 a.m. at 300 N. LaSalle in the Kirkland and Ellis Office. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

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 on Monday, November 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

New Testament scholar N. T. Wright will speak about his two newest books published this month, *Simply Jesus* and *The Kingdom New Testament*, at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. To register for this free event, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

Annual Appeal

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2012 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. We are grateful to the 405 households who have already pledged \$1.5 million for the 2012 Annual Appeal. Those who have not yet completed a 2012 giving response card are invited to do so. Giving response cards are available in the pew racks and online. For information, contact Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576 (kjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

Mission and Outreach

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 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

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).

A memorial event in remembrance of the children killed by violence in Chicago will take place on Wednesday, November 2 at 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church at the Chicago Temple (77 W. Washington St.).

A viewing and discussion of *Very Young Girls*, a documentary about child sex trafficking, will take place on Friday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For information, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

Next Sunday is All Saints’ Sunday, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2011 will be read during morning worship. Brahms’ *Requiem* will be sung by the Morning Choir during a special communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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. and 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.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in the Sanctuary 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.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, except in November and December. The next service will be Friday, January 27. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. For information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html.

News and Opportunities

Music and the Arts

Pianist Svetlana Popova will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert in the Sanctuary.

An artist reception for Timothy Botts's "Bound for Glory," currently on display in the Loggia, will take place next Sunday, November 6 during Coffee Hour following 11:00 a.m. worship.

An outing to see *The Christmas Schooner* at the Mercury Theater, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Wednesday, December 7 at 1:00 p.m. RSVP to Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, November 7.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Donation Needs

Men's clothing, especially pants, for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

Double paper/plastic bags from Treasure Island for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays at Fourth Church

Church members to staff the Book Nook on a rotating basis during Coffee Hour

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

Urban Farm helpers on Saturdays and in the office during the week

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

Fellowship

Young Adults meet on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building for fellowship and discussion.

Cornerstones will gather for "New Research on Aging," presented by Margaret Hellie Huyck, President of the Older Women's League National Board of Directors, this Friday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building. To register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

Fourth for Bridge, a fellowship group for experienced bridge players, will meet on Saturday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 12:00 noon on Friday, November 4.

Fourth Dimension will gather for a presentation of *Anne Boleyn* by Fourth Acts, the Fourth Church theater group, on Friday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building. For information, contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org) at 312.573.3369.

Men's Group will gather for a discussion led by Bob Muzikowski, Founding Director of the Chicago Hope Academy, on Saturday, November 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Register by calling 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, November 9.

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 Judy 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

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

John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

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 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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