



Easter Sunday

Gathering

Gathering Music “Oh Happy Day”	<i>African American spiritual</i>
“Song for a Holy Land”	<i>Cedar Walton</i>
“Acknowledgment (Part 1 of A Love Supreme)”	<i>John Coltrane</i>

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.

***Call to Worship** “Hallelujah, Amen” *Nolan Williams Jr.*

***Opening Song** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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.

* Stand as you are able

Prayer of Confession

Antiphon: Psalm 142:1 (*sung by the congregation*)

Leader: Great and wondrous God, on this day we hear the story of Jesus' resurrection and celebrate his victory over sin and death. Yet we confess that fear and doubt still linger in our hearts and minds. We are people of the world, looking for signs of your glory. We believe, God. Help our unbelief.

Antiphon

Leader: The resurrection of Jesus opens our eyes to new life. In Christ we find the hope of redemption and transformation, for ourselves and for the world. Yet our wills remain bound by sin. We choose death instead of life. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new spirits within us.

Antiphon

Leader: Because of fear, we do not embrace the redemptive power of your love. We ignore the poor, the hungry, and the homeless. We do not welcome those who live on the margins. We are complicit in oppression, injustice, and tyranny. Instead of peace, our lives are shaped by violence and conflict. Instead of unity, we maintain division and strife. God of compassion, help us to be born anew in Christ.

Antiphon

Leader: Gracious God of love, in the light of Easter our cries of confession are transformed into cries of hope. In the light of Christ we know there is nothing that cannot be done or undone; there is nothing beyond redemption and restoration; there is nothing that cannot be won by the power of your love. God of life, hear our cries of joy and thanks!

Antiphon

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

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

***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.

***Song** "Halle, Halle"

Caribbean traditional

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture John 20:1–18

(page 108, N.T.)

Musical Reflection "He Got Up"

Edwin Hawkins

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

John Hatton

***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"

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Gracious God, we thank you that in these, your gifts of bread and cup, we are reminded that life is all around us. We praise you for the way your love sustains us. We thank you for your reminders that nothing can defeat you—not even death. Send us out into the world as witnesses to the good news of this day and every day. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Song** “Thine Is the Glory”

***Benediction**

Sending Music “For the Beauty of the Earth”

John Rutter

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
John W. Vest	Associate Pastor
Judith L. Watt	Associate Pastor

Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

Members of the Morning Choir

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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 Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org).

A Special Welcome to Visitors Worshipping with Us Today

We are grateful you have joined us for this Easter celebration! We invite you to return to worship with us again and also to explore the many opportunities for education, fellowship, volunteering, and outreach available at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

These “News and Opportunities” pages list a variety of the programs and activities at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. More information about these programs can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Children, Youth, and Family

Eighth graders will be confirmed next Sunday, April 15 at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for youth summer work camp trips will take place Sunday, April 29 in the Dining Room during Coffee Hour following morning worship services.

Fellowship

“**The Tragedy of the Titanic**,” a presentation by John Sherer, will be hosted by Fourth Dimension on Friday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. All are invited; for fee and registration details, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

A Fourth Church Running Group is being formed. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Pastor Nominating Committee

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) elected by the congregation on February 12 of this year is made up of members Nicholette Andrews, Juli Crabtree, Ranjan Daniels, Sam Evans, Doug Grissom, Joan Hall, Marc Miller, Mark Nelson, Brad Pierce, Arlene Raine, and Hilary Richardson. Questions and comments can be sent to them at pnc@fourthchurch.org.

The congregation is asked to provide input to the PNC at one of three upcoming input-gathering sessions: Sundays, April 15 and April 29 at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary and Tuesday, April 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This input will be used to develop criteria for, later this year, evaluating candidates for the Pastor position.

Have you “liked” Fourth Church on Facebook?

It’s easy to do (visit facebook.com/fourthchurch or scan the QR code here with any smartphone), and it ensures you won’t miss photos of congregational life as well as glimpses into our history. You’ll also find reflections on our journey through the entire Bible, excerpts from sermons, and details about upcoming events. And you can share it all with friends too!



News and Opportunities

Worship

Members of the Taizé community in France will attend the Taizé service here on Friday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. Following the service, they will talk about Taizé Chicago, a Memorial Day weekend event for those eighteen to thirty-five.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for the opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church 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. 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.

Music and the Arts

To help rebuild the Fourth Church organ, which is rapidly deteriorating, please use the gift intention card found in the pew rack and also available online. To make a gift online or learn more about the organ, visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org. Additional information is also available by contacting Anita Bright at 312.274.3822 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

The Chicago Ensemble will be in concert this Tuesday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Lakeside Singers will perform this Friday, April 13 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets for both concerts will be available at the door.

The 100th anniversary of the Titanic's sinking will be commemorated in a concert by John W. W. Sherer, Fourth Church Organist, on Sunday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Servers for monthly Friday Night Suppers

Helpers at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

Cooks and servers at a men's shelter on Tuesdays 6:30–8:45 p.m. on a rotating schedule

Assistants to help with a variety of tasks at the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

A reader for someone who is legally blind

Current Donation Needs

Men's sturdy clothes in larger sizes

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

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

News and Resources

Due to water main work, there will be only one lane of traffic open on Delaware between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday–Friday, April 9–13. The sidewalk under the construction trailers will also be closed at that time.

The new Fourth Church website will go live in the days ahead. Be sure to watch for it at www.fourthchurch.org!

Fourth Church is also on Twitter:
[@FourthChicago](https://twitter.com/FourthChicago) and [@FPCAngel](https://twitter.com/FPCAngel).

Enrichment

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! A Bible study meets at the 737 building on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and is repeated on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. The reading list is online and in the literature racks. Daily devotions reflecting on the texts are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and by email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Books by Women will welcome Gioia Diliberto, author of *Paris without End: The True Story of Hemingway's First Wife*, to their discussion of the book on Tuesday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m.

The upcoming NATO summit will be the topic of a Michigan Avenue Forum cohosted with WBEZ this Wednesday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Jerome McDonnell of *Worldview* will lead a panel in discussion. RSVP to Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

Men's Group will meet for breakfast and "The Changing Face of the Media," led by ABC 7 evening news anchor Ron Magers, this Saturday, April 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. RSVP to 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, April 11.

The "Religion in Interfaith Homes" series continues on Sunday, April 15 at 12:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation.

Changing Conversations will host Trey Hall for a discussion, "A New Community of People Trying to Do Church Differently," on Friday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

"Relationships: Dealing with Differences," a seminar led by Elise Magers of the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, will be held on Tuesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. To register (required), call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

"Relative Strangers: Italian Protestants in the Catholic World," a presentation by Frank Cicero, will be held on Thursday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). RSVP to Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

Elaine Pagels will talk about her new book *Revelations: Visions, Prophecy, and Politics in the Book of Revelation* at a special Michigan Avenue Forum on Thursday, May 3 at the church.

The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study takes place on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building.

Mission and Outreach

Hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are being collected by Women@Fourth Connect during Coffee Hour following morning worship on Sundays, April 15 and 22 and May 6, 20, and 27. A list of items to be included is available from Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Supporting World Vision by running a marathon will be the topic of an information session on Sunday, April 15 at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building.

Links for Lights, the 2012 Chicago Lights Golf Classic, will be held Monday, June 18 at the Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. There will also be a **twenty-six mile bike ride** through Harbor Country for nongolfers. Details are available at www.chicagolights.org.

"How to Recognize Child Sex Trafficking in Your Neighborhood," a discussion hosted by the Sunlight Project, will take place on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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 Pastoral 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 Pastoral 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 Narthex (at the back of the Sanctuary) after worship for coffee, fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. 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, April 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Sunday, April 29 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; or Sunday, May 13 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).