

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** *(based on Psalm 105)*

Leader: We gather with thankful hearts to call on God's name
and to make God's deeds known among all peoples.

People: **Let our songs of praise proclaim all God's wonderful works.**

Leader: Let the hearts of those who seek God
rejoice and glory in God's holy name hour by hour and day by day.

People: **We remember God's wonderful saving deeds,
eternal promises, and just judgments.**

Leader: Through the faith stories of old,
we are bonded with the bearers of God's promises in past generations.

People: **Through our own faith stories,
we celebrate our identity as the bearers
of God's promises in this place and this time.**

Leader: Praise God who is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

***Opening Song** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

**We look for you in all the wrong places, God of the lost,
and wonder why we cannot find you.**

**We wander the corridors of power,
while you are on the sidewalks beside the homeless.**

**We sit at the head tables of the world,
while you are handing out soup to the hungry at the kitchen's backdoor.**

**We applaud those who win the race,
while you are cheering for those in last place.**

**In forgiving us, God, you would transform our cold hearts
into those melted in service to others.**

In granting us mercy, you challenge us to think of all those we have ignored.

**In gifting us with grace, you enable us to proclaim Jesus Christ,
our Lord and Savior, as the hope, the joy, the peace the world seeks.**

Please observe some moments of silence for silent prayers of confession.

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

Scripture Exodus 3:1–15 (page 48, O.T.)

Sermon Discovering Holy Ground Judith L. Watt

Jazz Improvisation

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "Come Sunday" Duke Ellington

***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 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Vicar Earle Copes

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

God, you are everywhere.

Remind us of that fact.

Keep our eyes open to your burning spirit of passion and saving love.

Help us to take note of your revelation.

Train us to be aware.

**Thank you for the table of bread and cup,
and the reminder of your presence and desire to save,
the reminder that we are on holy ground.**

In the name of your Son and our Savior, we pray. Amen.



Sending

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

***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

Judith L. Watt Associate Pastor

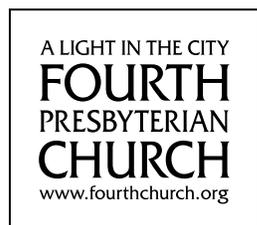
Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

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

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need 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).

Helping Hands, the hands-on mission group at Fourth Church, will clean and organize the food pantry at the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center this Saturday, July 21. To volunteer or for details, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

The Annual School Supply Drive is underway. Donations can be dropped off during the week at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a list of items needed or to volunteer, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.

PC(USA) peacemaking travel study seminars will take place in 2013 in the Philippines (February 12–22) and in Northern Ireland (April 1–12). Applications are due by Wednesday, August 1 of this year. Details and applications are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html and by contacting Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

Children, Youth, and Family

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

Senior Highs will gather for a movie night this Wednesday, July 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the Garth courtyard. For details, contact Kimberlee Frost at 312.981.4035 (kfrost@fourthchurch.org).

New Moms' Groups are forming in Oak Park, Lakeview, and Bucktown. Call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 for details.

Vacation Bible School will be held August 13–17 for children in preschool through fifth grade. Registration forms are available at www.fourthchurch.org/children/vbs.html or by contacting Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578 (dholladay@fourthchurch.org).

Fellowship

Young Adults meet on Sundays at Coffee Hour following 11:00 a.m. worship. They then walk to a nearby park for fellowship, refreshments, and "sermon chat." They also play beach volleyball on Mondays through the summer at Oak Street Beach at 6:30 p.m.

We've got photos! Lots of photos— from the demolition of Westminster House to the construction of the Gratz Center, from Christmas festivities to summer Family Camp. And we're adding more all the time. So be sure to check out the Photo Albums page on the new Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org (or scan this QR code with a smartphone), and enjoy pictures of life at Fourth Church!



News and Opportunities

News and Resources

A summary of the 220th General Assembly has been provided by the Presbytery of Chicago and the Presbyterian Outlook and is available in the literature racks.

We are halfway to our goal of raising \$3 million to rebuild the Fourth Church organ! To those who have already made a gift or pledge to this project, thank you so very much! To make a gift or pledge that will be matched \$1 for every \$2, through the generosity of the Elizabeth Morse Charitable Trust, you can use the pledge card in the pew racks; visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org, where you can also learn more about the Fourth Church organ and the rebuilding project; or contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also 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.

Fourth Church is on Facebook at facebook.com/fourthchurch. Be sure to “like” Fourth Church to keep up to date on Fourth Church news, events, resources, and photos this summer.

The Church Information Form for the pastoral search has been posted with the denomination and on the Fourth Church website, and the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is receiving applications for the position of Pastor. For more information about the search, the PNC, and a recent letter from the committee, visit www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.html.

Enrichment

“Using Mindfulness to Manage Stress” will be the topic of this Tuesday’s seminar, offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, at 7:00 p.m. To register (required), call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

Next Sunday, a Fourth Church Writers’ Workshop will hold an organizational meeting for writers of all genres and all abilities, from beginner to professional, at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Please register in advance by contacting Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! Identical Bible studies that offer opportunity to reflect on the assigned texts meet on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., both at the 737 building. The reading list is available online and in the literature racks. Devotions on the texts are available online (www.fourthchurch.org) and via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter ([@fourthchicago](https://twitter.com/fourthchicago)), and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

“Hungry for Change: Growing Faith, Growing Food,” a two-part workshop sponsored by the Chicago Lights Urban Farm and the Academy for Faith and Life, will be held on August 10–11. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org or contact Stephanie Budd at sbudd@fourthchurch.org.

Music and the Arts

Light, the latest CD featuring the Fourth Church choirs, is available online through iTunes or CDBaby or by calling Ryan Loeckel at 312.640.2570.

The Lucy Smith Jazz Trio will perform at this Friday's free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth courtyard as part of the Music by the Fountain series.

The Chestnut Street Players will present the comedic radio play "Fibber McGee and Molly" on Thursday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m. at the 737 building. All are invited to attend this free performance.

Worship

Next Sunday, Otis Moss III, Pastor of Trinity United Church of Christ, the South Side congregation that is the largest church in the UCC, will preach at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

Morning Prayer is held on weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer at Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next Taizé service will be Friday, July 27 in the Sanctuary. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

A shopping aide to assist Elam Davies Social Service Center guests in the food pantry on Wednesdays, 2:00–5:00 p.m.

Assistants to help with Summer Day meals, tutoring, and field trips, weekdays through August 3

Helpers at the CHAMP Summer Farm Camp at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm

Personal shoppers to assist Elam Davies Social Service Center guests on Wednesdays or Thursdays

Food truck unloaders on the second and fourth Friday mornings of the month

Dishwashers following Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Sorters to go through donated clothes

Cooks and servers to prepare a meal at a men's shelter on Tuesday evenings, 6:30–8:45 p.m., on a rotating schedule

Current Donation Needs

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

Men's sturdy clothes in larger sizes

For details, to volunteer, or for information about other opportunities, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.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 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.

We invite you to 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/index.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 and includes a light meal. Attend Sunday, July 29 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Monday, August 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, August 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).