

Transfiguration of the Lord

Gathering

Gathering Music Windows
Across the Universe

Chick Corea
John Lennon and Paul McCartney

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

Leader: God, God the Maker, maker of color, sound, texture, quietness,
and the restless beauty in living things,

People: **we praise you, God.**

Leader: God, God the Maker, maker of granite and mustard seed,
of grey cloud and starlight, of earthquake and heartbeat,

People: **we praise you, God.**

Leader: God, God the Maker, maker of all that is unseen, of all that has been,
of all that words could never capture,

People: **we praise you, God.**

Leader: God, God the Maker, we the children of your love, the creatures of your kindness,
the guardians of your creation, bless you.

People: **We praise you, God, for your making, your trusting, your loving,
your goodness. Amen.**

***Opening Song** "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Creator God,
you asked for my hands, that you might use them for your purpose.
I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them, for the work was hard.
You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice.
I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused.
You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty.
I closed them, for I did not want to see.
You asked for my life, that you might work through me.
I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved.
Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you—
only when it is convenient for me to do so,
only in those places where it is safe to do so,
and only with those who make it easy to do so.
God, forgive me,
renew me, send me out as a usable instrument,
that I might take seriously the meaning of your cross. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

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** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 99 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: God reigns, let the people tremble.

God is enthroned upon the cherubim, let the earth shake.

God is great in Zion

and is high above all peoples.

Let them confess the Name, which is great and awesome;

God is the Holy One.

Antiphon (*unison*) **O, mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: "O mighty ruler, lover of justice,

you have established equity;

you have executed righteous justice in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of God, our God,

and fall down before God's footstool;

God is the Holy One.

Antiphon (*unison*) **O, mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: Moses and Aaron among the priests,

Samuel among those who call upon the Name,

they called upon God,

who answered them.

God spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud

and kept the testimonies and the decree that were given to them.

"O God, our God, you answered them indeed;

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds."

Antiphon (*unison*) **O, mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Leader: Proclaim the greatness of God, our God,
and worship God upon the holy hill;
for God, our God, is the Holy One.

Antiphon (*unison*) **O, mighty God, lover of justice, it was you who created equity.**

Scripture Luke 9:28–43

(page 65, N.T.)

Sermon by Adam H. Fronczek

Song for Reflection “There Is a Balm in Gilead”

Traditional

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”

George Henry Day

***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 "Just Taste and See"

Traditional

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God of the world,
we are thankful that you are with us in the midst of life
and that you promise to go with us wherever the journey may take us,
in places of joy and even in places of despair.
Create in us a desire to serve you by serving one another
and to work for the redemption of the world by spreading your love. Amen.**

Sending

***Closing Song** "All Who Love and Serve Your City"

***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

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Edwin Estevez	Pastoral Resident
Elizabeth Patton	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	

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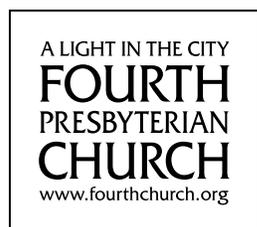
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News and Opportunities

Lent

Ash Wednesday services will be held this Wednesday, February 13 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary, with Communion and opportunity for imposition of ashes at both services.

The Lenten retreat “Strength for the Journey: The Labyrinth as a Path to Ourselves,” led by labyrinth expert Lauren Artress, will be held this Saturday, February 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To register, call 312.787.8425.

Music and the Arts

Submissions of graphic novel art based on scripture are due Wednesday, February 20 for the upcoming “Testament” exhibit. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org or contact Rob Koon at rkoon@fourthchurch.org.

Organist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

“Building the Future: Construction Photographs of the Gratz Center” is on exhibit in the Loggia.

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.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Data entry person for the Chicago Lights Urban Farm

Members to teach Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. for a mixed-age class

A shopping aide to assist guests at the EDSSC consumer choice food pantry on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Energetic individuals to share hobbies and activities with Chicago Lights Tutoring students, one evening a week, through March 7

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday nights

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

Current Donation Needs

Gently used clothes for a chronically ill ten-year-old girl

Men’s winter clothes in larger sizes (coats, sweaters, pants, socks, boots, etc.)

Double paper/plastic bags with handles from Treasure Island for the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

Items for a new baby

For more information or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html.

Did you miss these on our website this past week:

pictures from the Day School’s hot chocolate stand, highlights from last weekend’s Souper Bowl of Caring, the Pastor Nominating Committee’s latest update?

If so, be sure to bookmark www.fourthchurch.org and visit often so as not to miss future features and news. And check us out on Facebook too!



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Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays: “The Bible and Religious Violence,” led by Tom Dozeman (Room 5G); “Considering the Conversation: End-of-Life Issues,” led by Judy Watt (Room 5F); and “Shakespeare’s *The Merchant of Venice* as Christian Comedy,” led by Adam Rose (Room 5E), at 9:30 a.m. and “Eastern Orthodox Christianity,” led by Bruce Rigdon (Room 5E), and “Christian Marriage in the Presbyterian Church (USA),” led by Vicky Curtiss (Room 5G), at 11:00 a.m.

A grief support group will meet for six Mondays, beginning February 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. To register, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

Books by Women will discuss *Half Broke Horses: A True Life Novel* by Jeannette Walls this Tuesday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room of the Gratz Center. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The “Religion in Interfaith Homes” series will continue with the topic “Planning Your Wedding,” led by Richard Jakubik, next Sunday, February 17 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G of the Gratz Center. For more information, contact Joyce Shin at 312.274.3835 (jshin@fourthchurch.org).

“Computer Fundamentals,” a CLL minicourse for adults sixty and more, will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning February 19. To register (required), contact Julia Bergen at 312.981.3386 (jbergen@fourthchurch.org).

Christian Century discussion and study groups meet twice a month, with the next gathering on Wednesday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The CLL Skyline Luncheon Series, for adults sixty and more, will be held monthly and feature presentations on skylines, beginning February 21, at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To register, contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) by Tuesday, February 12.

Mission and Outreach

Carnaval is less than two weeks away! Event tickets for the February 22 gala as well as drawing tickets for the Vespa are available online at www.chicagolights.org or by contacting Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576 (amiller@fourthchurch.org).

Nelson Davila, an elder and member of First Presbyterian Church of Havana in Cuba, will speak about life in Cuba and the Presbyterian church’s witness there when he joins us this Monday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

A variety of mission opportunities are available, including trips to Mexico (May 14–21), Urban Plunge: Regeneration Chicago (May 17–19), and the Institute for Child Advocacy Ministry in Tennessee (July 14–19). There is also still room for those interested in going to Guatemala (July 6–14). Details are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html.

Mission worker Todd Luke will join us on Sunday, February 24 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 4H to talk about the work of the Outreach Foundation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and Campechano Presbytery of Mexico, which are partnering with Fourth Church for the mission trip to Mexico (May 14–21).

Chicago Shares voucher booklets are available by contacting Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities

Worship

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.

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 Fourth Church 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 in Buchanan Chapel, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be Friday, February 22.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

Fourth Church Youth (grades 6–12) meet on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

The annual Day School Benefit will be held on Saturday, February 23 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center. All are invited to attend this free event, which will include face painting, balloon artistry, a scavenger hunt, refreshments, and a performance by Joel Frankel.

News and Resources

The Covenant Network Regional Conference will be held on Thursday, February 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Fourth Church with Brian Ellison as the keynote speaker. For details and to register, visit covnetpres.org.

Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news, and access resources, including excerpts from sermons and prayers.

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, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F, is also a prerequisite for membership.

For a preview of next Sunday’s worship and news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter, News@FourthChurch, by sending email addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

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 meets on Sundays for fellowship and discussion at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A of the Gratz Center.

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.

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.

Please turn off all cell phones when in the Sanctuary.

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 for children, are available from a greeter.

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.

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

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership and includes a light meal. Attend Monday, February 11 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, March 11 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

Information about opportunities and resources available to you here at Fourth Church is available in the literature racks as you're leaving the church. You can also find information on our website (www.fourthchurch.org), our page on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to news@fourthchurch.org).

If you are interested in considering baptism or membership at the 4:00 p.m. service at Fourth Presbyterian Church, please see Adam Fronczek or any pastor involved in the service. Information is available about the Baptism Seminar and Inquirers' Class, which are necessary for preparation. A monthly opportunity to be baptized or join the church at the 4:00 service is available on February 24, March 24, and April 28.

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.