



First Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Gathering Music “Dear Lord”
“Nefertiti”

John Coltrane
Wayne Shorter

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, in Jesus Christ, has come to journey with us in the wilderness . . .

People: **so we come to walk with the God who knows the trials we face.**

Leader: God calls out to us with the promise of healing . . .

People: **so we ask God to visit us with messengers of hope.**

Leader: Our Lord, Jesus Christ, pleads with us to turn back to him in faith . . .

People: **so we pray for the strength to hold fast to his good news.**

Leader: We wander through the wilderness of a broken world . . .

People: **so we come to worship God, asking for a word to guide our way.**

***Opening Song** “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**We remember your Son, Jesus Christ, who took on our flesh,
who fasted in the wilderness and was tested like us.**

**We confess that we have been quick to ask for his mercy
and to seek salvation through his sacrifice.**

**We confess that we have been slow to take up his call to faithfulness
and unwilling to drink from the cup of suffering that he invites us to share.
Give us courage and hearts that are willing to commit to a deeper discipleship.
Help us to claim the fullness of the humanity we share with Jesus Christ—
to live into his pain as well as his peace.**

**As we do so, may we find ourselves more ready to receive him as brother
and more able to serve one another as we ought.**

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** “Reach Out Your Hand in Peace”

Lucy Smith

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 32

All sing the Antiphon

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven and whose sin is put away!
Happy are they to whom God imputes no guilt and in whose spirit there is no guile!

Antiphon

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away because of my groaning all day long.
For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to God." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in times of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
You are my hiding place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Antiphon

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.
Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle or else they will not stay near you."
Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in God.
Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in God; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Antiphon

Scripture	Romans 5:12–19	(page 145, N.T.)
	Matthew 4:1–11	(page 3, N.T.)
Sermon	Tempted	Hardy H. Kim

Musical Reflection

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music "How Can I Keep from Singing"

Robert Lowry and Anne Warner

*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 "Now to Your Table Spread"

John Ireland and Shirley Erena Murray

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God, we thank you that you do not remain far apart from us,
but that in Jesus Christ you come to share our lives
and to know our sufferings.**

**We thank you that, by this example, you caused us to know
that we should seek nourishment in your word,
worship and serve you alone,
and commit our lives to your providence and protection.**

By this meal you have fed us.

**Make us strong to live into the example of Jesus,
and prepare us for our own tests and trials
as we await the day when we will celebrate
the good news of resurrection life for all. Amen.**

Sending

***Closing Song** "Draw Me Nearer"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim	Associate Pastor
Stephanie D. Samuelson	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Bryan Doherty, bass Marcus Evans, drums Marcin Fahmy, piano

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.

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PASTORAL STAFF

Shannon J. Kershner, Pastor-Elect (*joining us May 1*)
Joyce Shin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Temporary Head of Staff
Victoria G. Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission
Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship
Matt Helms, Minister for Children and Families
Hardy H. Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism
John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care
Edwin Estevez, Pastoral Resident
John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

News and Opportunities

Lent

To receive **Lenten devotions** by email (if you do not already receive our daily devotions), send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org. Devotions are also available on the website and via Facebook and in printed format in the literature racks.

An Interfaith Passover Seder will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware). For ticket information, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A Lenten Contemplative Retreat will be held Friday–Saturday, April 11–12 at The Well in La Grange Park. Participants will have opportunity to refresh and renew their spiritual connection with God through worship, guided meditation, journaling, praying with images and psalms, and enjoying nature and solitude. For more information or to register, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org) by Sunday, April 6.

Music and the Arts

Organist Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A complete schedule of concerts at Fourth Church is available at www.fourthchurch.org/concerts.

News and Resources

We look forward with great enthusiasm to welcoming Shannon Kershner, Pastor-Elect, to Fourth Church beginning in May and her family beginning in June. Shannon's first sermon as Pastor of Fourth Church will be on Sunday, May 18, the day we celebrate the centennial of the Sanctuary and look ahead to our second century on Michigan Avenue. To learn more about Shannon and her call to Fourth Church, please visit the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org.

Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times. Information for those who might benefit from conversation with a Stephen Minister is available in the literature racks, online, and by leaving a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:
(@FourthChicago).

Inquirers' Class, which is a prerequisite for membership and offers opportunity to learn more about Presbyterian history and beliefs, next meets this Saturday, March 15 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4F.

Fellowship

Young Adults meets on Sundays for discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Shannon Kershner was overwhelmingly elected by the congregation last Sunday to serve as the next Pastor of Fourth Church. Photos from that historic and joy-filled day are posted on Facebook. You needn't have an account to view them at www.facebook.com/fourthchurch—although "Liking" our page will ensure you don't miss any news in the exciting days ahead!



News and Opportunities

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes are held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Youth (grades 6–12) gather on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A **“Faith Formation” workshop** for parents will discuss “How Do We Pray as a Family?” next Sunday, March 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

The **“Religion in Interfaith Homes”** series continues next Sunday, March 16 with the topic “Planning Your Wedding in Abrahamic and Other Traditions” at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G.

Family Night with Animals will be held on Friday, March 21 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

A **Moms’ Night Out** with Women@Fourth Connect will be held on Thursday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Vineyard Vines (540 N. Michigan). To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at lnickerson@fourthchurch.org by Tuesday, March 25.

Mission and Outreach

Thank you to everyone who supported Carnival 2014! This annual gala benefits Chicago Lights, the community outreach arm of Fourth Church; the Center for Life and Learning; and the Counseling Center. To see how that support is changing lives, “like” Chicago Lights on Facebook and sign up for email updates by sending addresses to chicagolights@fourthchurch.org.

The **Hygiene Kit project**, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, collects supplies for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Donations are being accepted at the reception desk. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The **Benevolent Guild** resumes meeting this Wednesday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

Faith Build Day, a Habitat for Humanity work day, will be held on Saturday, April 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registered adult volunteers are invited to meet at Fourth Church at 7:30 a.m. that day to carpool to the work site. To sign up to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

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 opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation, all those in need, and mission partners around the world.

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.

A **service in the style of Taizé** will next be held on Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

Volunteers

Current Volunteer Needs

Handbell ringers for the Handbell Choir; rehearsals on Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; one evening a week; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday; 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Cooks to prepare and deliver casseroles and meals to a family with a chronically ill child

Librarian for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program

Teachers and health professionals for the Center for Life and Learning

Church members to serve as Nursery caregivers at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Assemblers for the bag lunch program; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday; 10:30–11:45 a.m.

Doctors, nurses, and pharmacists to provide medical information and expertise to Sunday Night Supper guests; 3:45–5:00 p.m.

Experienced website developer to help a church-affiliated AIDS agency improve their website

Cooks to prepare and serve supper at a men's shelter; second and fourth Tuesdays, on a rotating schedule

Members to serve as ushers during the 9:30 a.m. service

Current Donation Needs

Men's seasonal clothes in all sizes

Women's seasonal clothes in larger sizes

Department store bags with handles

Nonperishable food items

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

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes continue on Sundays: "An Ethical Approach to Scripture," led by Kenneth Vaux and "Potpourri: Pastor's Choice," led by Fourth Church pastoral staff, at 9:30 a.m.; "Introductory Overview to the Bible," led by Vicky Curtiss, at 11:00 a.m.; and "Introduction to Buddhism," led by Yarina Liston, at 12:30 p.m.

Author Nami Mun will join Books by Women for their discussion of *Miles from Nowhere* this Tuesday, March 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A Center for Life and Learning Bible study for adults sixty and more is held on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. in Room 5F. For more information, contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org/cll

New classes begin next week in the Academy for Faith and Life: "God, Suffering, and Evil," led by Anna Case-Winters, and "Making Room at the Table: Understanding and Solving Hunger in America," led by Vicky Curtiss, Adam Fronczek, Dan Hula, and Matt Gross, at 9:30 a.m.; "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks," led by Jeff Doane, and "Becoming Calvin," led by Fourth Acts and Randall Zachman, at 11:00 a.m. For more information or to register, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

A tour of Second Presbyterian Church, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Friday, March 28 at 10:15 a.m. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

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 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.

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 left-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 Saturday, March 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Monday, April 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 12 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).

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), 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 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 March 23, April 27, and May 25.

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.

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