



Second Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Gathering Music "Invitation"

Paul Francis Webster and Bronislau Kaper

"I Saw the Light"

Hank Williams

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: Come, Lord Jesus, you too were tired when day was done;
you met your friends at evening time.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus, you too enjoyed when nights drew on;
you told your tales at close of day.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus, you kindled faith when lamps were low;
you opened scriptures, broke the bread, and shed your light as darkness fell.

People: **Come, Lord Jesus. Meet us here.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

***Opening Song** “Open My Eyes That I May See”

Prayer of Confession (*silent confession*)

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 19

All sing the Antiphon

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the skies are the work of God's hands.
One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.
Although they have no words or language and their voices are not heard,
their sound has gone out into all lands and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep God has set a pavilion for the sun;

it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;

it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

Antiphon

The law of God is perfect and renews life;

the testimony of God is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of God are just and rejoice the heart;

the commandment of God is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of God is clean and endures forever;

the judgments of God are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

Antiphon

By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;

let them not get dominion over me;

then shall I be whole and sound and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable in your sight, O God, my strength and my redeemer.

Antiphon

Scripture John 3:1–17

(page 88, N.T.)

Sermon Living in Dark and Light

Adam H. Fronczek

Musical Reflection



Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

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

Offertory Music “God So Loved the World”

Sir John Stainer

***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.**

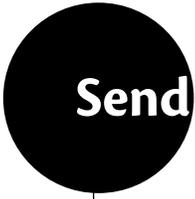
The Communion

Communion Music "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Doris Akers

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

**God, we give you thanks for this moment, this meal,
these people with whom we are gathered.
Send us out into the world to be a sign of your life and love
in all places where it is needed. Amen.**



Sending

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

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Adam H. Fronczek	Associate Pastor
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Michael Caskey, drums Bryan Doherty, bass 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

Remember loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin.

Donations must be received by Friday, April 11 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter.

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). A limited number of tickets are available by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, March 31.

A Lenten Contemplative Retreat will be held Friday–Saturday, April 11–12 at The Well in La Grange Park. For more information or to register, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org) by Sunday, April 6.

Music and the Arts

The Orpheus Choir will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Light, a CD featuring the Fourth Church choirs, is available online through iTunes or CDBaby or by contacting Ryan Loeckel at 312.640.2570 (rloeckel@fourthchurch.org).

Those who would like to receive *Music Notes*, a weekly email newsletter about music at Fourth Church, are invited to subscribe by sending email addresses to music@fourthchurch.org.

Chancel Choir rehearsals are held on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/music/choirs.

Handbell Choir rehearsals are held on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/music/choirs.

Fellowship

Young Adults meets on Sundays for discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. For more information, contact Hardy Kim at hkim@fourthchurch.org.

Did you miss this on Facebook this week:

A glimpse of Buchanan Chapel transformed into a city bus during youth worship with David LaMotte? Photos of the Michigan Avenue courtyard beautifully blanketed by the latest snow? An invitation to Family Night with the fennec fox who visited last year? Check out www.facebook.com/fourthchurch to make sure you don't miss this week's posts!



News and Resources

Fourth Presbyterian Church strives to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

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.

We remember in our prayers Black Mountain Presbyterian Church as, in the weeks to come, they say good-bye to Shannon Kershner and her family and as that congregation looks to the Spirit-led future ahead. Our letter to that congregation is posted online: <http://bit.ly/1dCLaXS>

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

Life Line Screenings, offered through the Center for Life and Learning and Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, will take place on Tuesday, March 25 in Anderson Hall. To register, call 800.324.9458 or visit www.helpinghandsforhealth.com.

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.

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, information about upcoming events, an archive of sermons and prayers, photos, and much more.

Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which is a prerequisite for membership, next meets on Monday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F.

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.

Parent Space, a time of fellowship for parents, will be held next Sunday, March 23 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

"The Progressive Youth Ministry Conference: Fresh Voices, Radical Ideas" will be hosted here at Fourth Church this Wednesday through Friday.

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.

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

Fourth Church children and youth choirs rehearse on Sundays, with Youth Choir at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B, Cherub Choir at 10:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel, and Children's Choir at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

News and Opportunities

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

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.

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., 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.

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.

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes are held on Sundays: “An Ethical Approach to Scripture,” led by Kenneth Vaux, “Potpourri: Pastor’s Choice,” led by Fourth Church pastoral staff, “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. and “Introductory Overview to the Bible,” led by Vicky Curtiss, “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.

Men’s Bible Study will gather this Tuesday, March 18 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Ryan Loeckel at rloeckel@fourthchurch.org.

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.

NEXT Church, a movement “sparking imaginations, connecting congregations, and offering a distinctively Presbyterian witness to Jesus Christ,” is holding its 2014 gathering in Minneapolis March 31–April 2. For more information or to register, visit www.nextchurch.net.

Mission and Outreach

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).

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).

The Benevolent Guild gathers to create stuffed animals for hospitalized children. Meetings are held on Wednesdays, except the third Wednesday of the month, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center. For more information, contact 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).

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 Monday, April 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, May 5, 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), 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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