

Gathering

Gathering Music "Holy Land" Cedar Walton
"I Walk the Line" Johnny Cash

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: Gather us in, the lost and the lonely,
the broken and breaking,
the tired and the aching
who long for the nourishment found at your feast.

People: Gather us in,

Leader: the done and the doubting,
the wishing and wondering,
the puzzled and pondering
who long for the company found at your feast.

People: Gather us in,

Leader: the proud and pretentious,
the sure and superior,
the never inferior
who long for the leveling found at your feast.

People: Gather us in,

Leader: the bright and the bustling,
the stirrers, the shakers,
the kind laughter makers
who long for the deeper joys found at your feast.

People: Gather us in,

Leader: from corner or limelight,
from mansion or campsite,
from fears and obsession,
from tears and depression,
from untold excesses,
from treasured successes,
to meet, to eat, be given a seat,
be joined to the vine, be offered new wine,
become like the least, be found at the feast.

People: Gather us in, O God who is worthy of our praise!

***Opening Song.** “Deep in the Shadows of the Past”

Prayer of Confession

(Please observe silence for personal 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 brothers and sisters 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 78:1–8 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your ears, my people, to the lessons of the past.**

Leader: Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable.
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times;
that which we have heard and known,
and what our ancestors told us.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your ears, my people, to the lessons of the past.**

Leader: We will not hide from their children.
We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of God
and the wonderful works God has done.
God gave decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel,
which commanded them
to teach their children . . .

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your ears, my people, to the lessons of the past.**

Leader: . . . that the generations to come might know;
and the children yet unborn,
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
so that they might put their trust in God
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep the commandments
and not be like their ancestors:
a stubborn and rebellious generation,
a generation whose heart was not steadfast,
whose spirit was not faithful to God.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your ears, my people, to the lessons of the past.**

Scripture Reading

Joshua 24:1–25 (Old Testament, page 205)

Sermon Faithful Choosing. Hardy H. Kim

Musical Reflection



Sealing the Word

Offertory Music “City Called Heaven” *Traditional*

Sharing of Gifts *(Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.)*

***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*)

**Loving God, you feed us by the holy mysteries
found in the bread and the fruit of the vine,
and you sustain us by the stories
that let us see how we have been made your people by your grace.
May we who have received this sacrament
be strengthened in your service; we who have sung your praises
be bold to tell the story of your steadfast love and mercy;
we who have seen your Spirit alive in our midst
wait with patient hope for your glorious return.
For you have made us your own people
by the compellingly faithful lives of those who have walked beside us,
by the liberating presence of your Jesus Christ,
and by the comforting presence of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Sending

***Closing Song** (*please see page 8 for music*) "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim	Associate Pastor
Elizabeth Nickerson	Worship Leader
Arlene Raine	Lay Liturgist
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 is 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.

Acknowledgments

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News and Opportunities

News and Resources

Those interested in serving as a Stephen Minister—providing one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times—are invited to “A Taste of Stephen Ministry” on Sunday, November 16 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To RSVP, contact Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 (callerton@fourthchurch.org).

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@FourthChicago and @FPCAngel

Thanksgiving

The CLL Annual Harvest Home Luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 20 at 11:30 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386 by Tuesday, November 11.

A “Thanks and Giving” Family Night will take place on Friday, November 21 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

The annual Thanksgiving Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 23 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist Church at 1000 N. Orleans (at Oak Street). A community meal will follow.

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship will be held Tuesday, November 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware). Chicago Sinai, Holy Name Cathedral, and Fourth Church will be participating, and Shannon Kershner will preach.

Thanksgiving Day worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 27. Joyce Shin will preach.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner tickets are available online at bitly.com/thanksdinner2014. This traditional dinner will be served on Thursday, November 27 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets, which are required, are limited. For more information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Enrichment

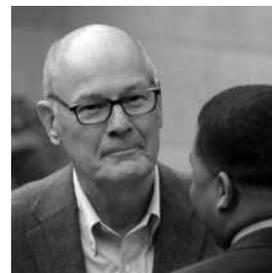
Books by Women will discuss *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman this Tuesday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

“A Shamanic Evening,” offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held this Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m.

A SoulCollage® seminar will be held next Sunday, November 16 in the Boyle Conference Room, with an introduction at 12:30 p.m., followed by card creation at 1:00 p.m. To register (required), call 312.787.8425.

Did you see Tutoring featured on NBC Nightly News?

As we shared on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch) on Wednesday, NBC aired a wonderful segment by reporter Harry Smith (right) about this church's historic commitment to Chicago's children and the resulting life-changing work of Chicago Lights Tutoring. You can view the segment by going to the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org



News and Opportunities

Advent

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 22 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

Taking Communion to homebound members will be part of the Deacon ministry in December. If you know of Fourth Church members who would like to receive Communion, please contact Carol Allerton by Sunday, November 30 at 312.640.5448 (callerton@fourthchurch.org). Those individuals will then be called to ask about setting up a time for the Deacons to visit.

“A Chanticleer Christmas” concert will be held on Tuesday, December 2 and Wednesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.cso.org

The annual Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held on Saturday and Sunday, December 6 and 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and Borwell Dining Room.

An Advent Contemplative Retreat will be held Saturday–Sunday, December 13–14 at The Well in La Grange Park. Registration forms, which are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/community/retreats.html, are due Sunday, December 7.

Help decorate the Sanctuary and Gratz Center and also memorialize or honor loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Advent and Christmas flowers and garlands. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Contributions can be made using forms in the literature racks and online. Completed forms must be returned by Friday, December 12 for names to appear in the bulletin.

Fellowship

Fourth Dimension will meet this Friday, November 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To register (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by this Wednesday, November 12.

Music and the Arts

A Chicago Ensemble concert will be held on Tuesday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Tickets are available at www.thechicagoensemble.org

Roosevelt University Choirs will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert in the Sanctuary.

The Chicago Mosaic School will present on the work of Verdiano Marzi, whose art will be on exhibit in the Loggia this spring, on Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Mission and Outreach

A new-volunteer orientation session for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Thursday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4J. RSVP online at cltutoring2014.eventbrite.com

Due December 15 are applications for mission trips to Cuba and Haiti. More information is available in the literature racks and online.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program

Current Donation Needs

Men’s and women’s sturdy, winter clothes

For details or to volunteer, visit www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html

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 read aloud during 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, November 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Monday, December 1, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, December 13, 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 contact Liz Nickerson (312.573.3366; lnickerson@fourthchurch.org) 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 November 23 and December 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.

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