



Gathering

Gathering Music “A Simple Matter of Conviction” *Bill Evans*
“That’s the Way of the World”. . . *Maurice White, Charles Stepney, and Verdine White*

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.

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 page 12.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Beckoning God, as you moved into the lives of Elijah and Elisha, move in our lives.

**People: You invite us on a journey into unknown territory,
to listen to your voice and to speak your prophetic word.**

Leader: We live in a world that does not want to hear.

**People: Empowered by the Spirit, grant us courage to speak up,
to journey, to listen, and to trust.**

Leader: Empower us to act.

People: Empower us to be your faithful people and to worship you!

* Stand as you are able

Please note

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Prayer of Confession

God, we do not often listen to your word.

We have allowed things of this world to drown out your voice.

We have allowed the things of this world to drown out the cries of those who seek justice.

We have allowed the things of this world to drown out the search for peace.

As a community, we come to you as one and ask for you to clear the air.

Give us the strength to clear away the clatter and the noise so that we can hear.

Give us courage to push aside the noise so that we can hear the cries of your people.

Give us wisdom to wash away the hurt we cause one another so that peace might reign.

Remind us what it means to hear your voice in this world.

Forgive us when we fail to listen and to hear.

Forgive us when we fall short of listening to your word.

(Please hold silence.)

Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: As people of God, we are created to live together in community.

Let us, in all of our mess and beauty,

reach out our hands and extend peace to one another,

just as Christ does to each of us.

Friends, 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 30 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: I will exalt you, O God, because you have lifted me up
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
O God, my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.
You brought me up, O God, from the dead;
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **You have turned my lament into dancing and girded me with joy.**

Leader: Sing to God, you servants; give thanks for the remembrance of holiness.
For God's wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, God's favor for a lifetime.
Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **You have turned my lament into dancing and girded me with joy.**

Leader: While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
You, God, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
I cried to you, O God; I pleaded with God, saying,
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you? Will it declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O God, and have mercy upon me; O God, be my helper."

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **You have turned my lament into dancing and girded me with joy.**

Leader: You have turned my wailing into dancing;
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O God my God, I will give you thanks forever.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **You have turned my lament into dancing and girded me with joy.**

Scripture Reading

2 Kings 5:1–14. (Old Testament, page 320)

Sermon Shelley Donaldson

Responding to the Word

*Musical Reflection

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

Offertory Music “Simple Gifts”. Joseph Bracket, V. Ferkiss, and L. Dowdey

***Doxology**. Lucy Smith

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

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 "If the Path I Travel" *Mark Diedrich and Margaret E. Barber*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

Amazing God, you come into our lives and you set a table for us,
a table that is clear of noise and clutter.
You provide a space for the voices of the voiceless,
and you provide us a space of healing
through the love of your Son, with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
Send us out of this place to help clear away the noise,
so that your light might shine through. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Song.** “God of Our Life”

*Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

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| Shelley Donaldson | Senior High and Confirmation Youth Coordinator |
| Layton Williams | Pastoral Resident |
| 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.

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A Light in the City

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Jeffrey Doane, Parish Associate for Older Adults
Layton Williams, Pastoral Resident
John Buchanan, Pastor Emeritus

News and Opportunities

Mission and Outreach

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, stop by the Mission table during Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings or contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

Fresh produce is available at the Farmstand at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

To join a small, interracial Peace Circle that engages in dialogue to address racism, contact Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598).

Young adult mission trip participants traveling to Northern Ireland depart this coming weekend. These nine travelers will spend a week learning about expressions of Christian witness in Northern Ireland and gaining resources for dealing with societal division and conflict. Please keep them in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Used bicycles are being collected by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee on Saturday, September 24. For details, contact Vicky Curtiss at vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org

Music and the Arts

Today participants in the music tour of England and Scotland are singing a choir concert at St. Giles' Cathedral, where Calum MacLeod is Minister and where Hardy Kim preached this morning.

Vocalist Elaine Dame will perform this Friday's free "Music by the Fountain" Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. outdoors in the courtyard.

"Making Camino: Reflections on the Journey," an exhibit of artwork by Janet Krehbiel Pieracci, is on display in the Loggia until Sunday, July 31.

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. and 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Anderson Hall.

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on 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 p.m. For more information about walking the labyrinth, visit www.fourthchurch.org/worship/labyrinth

If you're traveling over the summer;
we hope you'll stay connected with us while away:
"Like" the Fourth Church page on Facebook to see all the latest Fourth Church news in your News Feed. Bookmark the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org) for access to audio of sermons from 11:00 worship and for more news about the Fourth Church community.



News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Men's Bible study will meet this Tuesday, July 5 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

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, meets next Monday, July 11 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 16 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4F.

Premarital Saturday Seminars offer couples opportunity to learn and practice skills necessary to building a healthy marital relationship. This one-session class, which will meet next Saturday, July 16 in Boyle Conference Room, is also a prerequisite for marriage at Fourth Presbyterian Church. To register, call 312.787.8425.

A workshop on hospice and palliative care will be offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Thursday, July 21 at 6:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. To register (required), visit www.bit.ly/rccare0716

Fellowship

Young Adults gather on Sundays for discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. They also gather for volleyball on Mondays (except July 4) at 6:30 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

To sponsor Coffee Hour in honor or memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Children, Youth, and Family

Summer Sunday School (with classes meeting at 9:30 a.m. only) is held on Sundays on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Youth Summer Bizarre classes are held on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center.

Senior High Youth will meet at Millennium Park this Tuesday, July 5 at 6:30 p.m. for a screening of the film *A League of Their Own*. For details, contact Shelley Donaldson at sdonaldson@fourthchurch.org (312.981.4036).

Thursday Family Movie Nights continue this Thursday, July 7 at 6:30 p.m. on the Day School playground (or, in case of rain, inside the Day School).

Youth and their leaders depart this Saturday, July 9 for their weeklong mission trip to Asheville, North Carolina. Please keep these thirty youth and their six leaders in your prayers as they travel, learn, and serve together.

You can still be a shareholder in the youth summer mission trip to Asheville. Stock is available online at www.bit.ly/fpcyouthstock. After becoming a shareholder, you will receive a stock certificate to print.

Vacation Bible School will be held at Fourth Church Monday, August 8–Friday, August 12. Register online at www.bit.ly/vbs0816

A camping trip for youth and their families will be held September 2–4 at Warren Dunes State Park in Sawyer, Michigan. Register online at www.bit.ly/youthcamping16

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Cooks and servers for Sunday Night Supper,
on a signup basis

Gardeners at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm
(444 W. Chicago); Saturdays, 12:00–3:00 p.m.

Physicians, nurses, or pharmacists to serve as
medical resources to guests of Sunday Night Supper

GED tutors for staff of the Urban Farm,
Mondays–Saturdays

Greeters and ushers for the 11:00 a.m.
and 4:00 p.m. worship services

Hosts to serve refreshments during Coffee Hour

On-call aides to help Chicago Lights Elam Davies
Social Service Center guests select groceries
from the Consumer Choice food pantry.

Nursery caregivers on Sundays during 9:30
or 11:00 a.m. worship services

“Good Neighbors” for daytime street outreach on
Mondays and Fridays

Good listeners and typists to transcribe recorded
audio interviews for the Fourth Church Oral
History program.

Current Donation Needs

Men’s and women’s spring clothes

Small women’s Depends pull-ups

Travel-size toiletry items

Individually wrapped food items for sack lunches

*For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson,
Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382
(lnicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit
www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer*

News and Resources

If you have gifts for listening and compassion, we invite you to consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Applications (available at www.bit.ly/stephenminister) are due August 1; the next fifty-hour training course will begin in September, and upon completion of the series, Stephen Ministers will make a two-year commitment to this ministry of caring. Information is available online at www.fourthchurch.org or by contacting Judy Watt (312.573.3360).

If you are away over the summer, it is easy to make pledge contributions online at www.bit.ly/FPCgiving (or by clicking on the “To Make a Gift” button at the top left of the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org).

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: @FourthChicago

Connection Corner helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table at Coffee Hour after the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services on Sunday mornings.

Bookmark the Fourth Church website—
www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, information about upcoming events, photos, and more.

Please take a moment to sign the pew information pad—whether you are a visitor or a member, whether you have updated contact information to share or whether it is the same—so that we might know you are with us.

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 silence all electronic devices 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. 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, July 11 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, August 8 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) or go to www.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 Hardy Kim (hkim@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 July 24 or August 28.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up from the Chestnut Street reception desk.

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