



Gathering

Reformation Sunday

Gathering Music “Don’t Shoot the Messenger” *John Scofield*
 “Constant Struggle” *Jaromir Honzak*

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 sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, mental health, educational background, economic situation, religious background, or documentation status.

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 back cover.

*Opening Responses

Leader: In a world throbbing in pain, in a world of killing fields,

People: we call upon the grace of God.

Leader: In a world of deflated rafts overflowing with refugees,
 in a world where children are pulled from the rubble of fallen cities,

People: we call upon the mercy of God.

Leader: When we hold our tongues so not to rock the social boat,
 when we remain silent while others are openly shamed,

**People: we ask you, God, the creator of all people and our earth,
 to give us strength when we are afraid to speak up or when we are too timid to act.
 Be in this place here with us, so that you might reconcile us to you,
 so that through you we can heal the hurt in our world. Amen.**

* Stand as you are able

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Litany of Confession

Leader: We live with the reality that we have not cared for the world that you created, God.

People: We have failed to care for one another to our fullest potential.

Leader: We live with the reality that there are people suffering in your world.

People: We try so hard, but sometimes we don't know what to do.

Leader: We see violence all around us, and we consume it as though it is normal.

**People: We search for peace among a world of hurt,
and we fight to be the people you have created us to be.**

Leader: Forgive us when we get caught up with ourselves and forget about the suffering of others.

**People: Renew us with your love. Have mercy on us when we forget that we are your creation.
Forgive us when we fail to be who you created us to be, and renew us with your love.
Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Siblings, know this: we have been created by God, and we have been called good.

No matter what we do, we cannot escape the forgiving love and grace of our God.

People: Through Jesus Christ, the ultimate symbol of that grace and love, we are forgiven.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Let us participate in an act of care towards one another
and extend the love that God so freely gives to us.
The peace of Christ be with you all.

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 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: 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 (*unison*) **Show me which way to go, counsel me with your eye upon me.**

Leader: 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.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Show me which way to go, counsel me with your eye upon me.**

Leader: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time 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 (*unison*) **Show me which way to go, counsel me with your eye upon me.**

Leader: "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 (*unison*) **Show me which way to go, counsel me with your eye upon me.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1–10 (*New Testament, page 77*)

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 "Throw It Away" *Abbey Lincoln*

***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!

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*)

**Jesus Christ, as we have proclaimed your death through this bread and cup,
change our lives so that we can be an offering to you in all that we do.**

It is in your name that we pray. Amen.



Sending

***Closing Song.** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Shelley Donaldson	Senior High Youth Coordinator
Nanette Sawyer	Minister for Congregational Life
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith, vocals Bryan Doherty, bass Marcus Evans, drums Amr 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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News and Opportunities

Worship

Next Sunday is All Saints' Sunday, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2016 will be read during worship. Duruflé's *Requiem* will be sung by the Morning Choir during a special communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday and Tuesday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/worship/labyrinth

"Sacred Pause" is offered each Tuesday at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel. (Enter at 123 E. Delaware.) Hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and Tom Schemper, Vicky Curtiss, and Nanette Sawyer, this meditative time offers space for twenty minutes of silence.

Our sermon podcast link has been updated. To listen or subscribe to the podcast of sermons from the 11:00 a.m. service, visit www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast

Mission and Outreach

Today is the last day to register for the mission trip to Guatemala, led by Tom and Sue Schemper, that will be held July 2–9, 2017. Register online at www.bit.ly/Guatemala2017

Save the date for Gala of Hope: Friday, February 24, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

The Interfaith Coalition against Racism will host "One Year Later"—a community forum reflecting on how our city can improve police conduct, training, and accountability—on Thursday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Roger Thurow will discuss his book *The First 1000 Days*, which explores the impact of malnutrition on children and how to prevent and reverse it, at a soup supper hosted by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee and Opportunity International on Thursday, November 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. RSVP (*required*) to events@opportunity.org by November 3.

A Thanksgiving Labyrinth Walk and Food Drive for Chicago Lights will be held on Sunday, November 20 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For details, call Patty Thomas at 312.981.3388

We are 34 percent of the way to our Let Your Light Shine goal of \$3 million for Fourth Church and 43 percent of the way to our \$500,000 goal for Chicago Lights! To date we have received 25 percent of our goal of 1,200 total pledges for the church. If you have not yet had opportunity to make your 2017 Annual Appeal pledge, please do so by November 6! Pledge cards are in the pew racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal



News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Weekly Seeds, a weekly women's Bible study that uses a United Church of Christ lectionary-based curriculum, meets Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5H.

The Young Adults Bible study on the Song of Songs continues this Monday, October 31 at 6:30 p.m. at Declan's Irish Pub (1240 N. Wells).

A book study on *Race in a Post-Obama America: The Church Responds*, ed. David Maxwell, will be led by Mark Eldred on Tuesdays, November 1, 15, and 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

New adult education classes begin next Sunday: "Many Names and Images for God" at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F, "Jesus and Socrates" at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G, "God in the Modern Wing: Part II" at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room, and "John Sherer and the Andrew Pipe Organ" at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Details are available at www.fourthchurch.org/academy or by contacting Mark Eldred at meldred@fourthchurch.org

A Bible study of the Gospel of Luke, led by Judy Watt, continues on Monday, November 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Books by Women will gather next Tuesday, November 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *The Witches of Salem, 1692* by Stacy Schiff.

Women at Fourth's Horizons Bible Study will meet next Wednesday, November 9 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

Fellowship

Young Adults gather on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Christian Century Study Groups will meet this Wednesday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Cornerstones will gather for "From Chicago to Syria #RefugeesWelcome," led by Suzanne Akhras Sahloul, this Friday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To register (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org (312.573.3369) by this Wednesday, November 2.

Music and the Arts

Pianist Natasha Stojanovska will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

"**Chicago Artists Interpret Shakespeare's** Characters, Plays, and Sonnets" is on display in the Loggia.

Mozart's Mass in C Minor will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society and the orchestra Camerata Chicago on Friday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.cameratachicago.org (Use code FPCC at checkout for a 50 percent discount.)

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.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Servers for the Fourth Church Thanksgiving Dinner on November 24, 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Sunday School teachers to teach during 9:30 a.m. worship services

Sunday School assistants to perform administrative tasks one Sunday a month, 9:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Shower Ministry Greeters to check in and provide supplies to guests of the Meals Ministry program; Tuesdays, 1:15–4:00 p.m.

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; one evening a week, Monday–Thursday; 6:00–7:30 p.m. RSVP for an orientation session at www.bit.ly/chitutor1617

In2It Café instructors to teach thirty-minute classes to Chicago Lights Tutoring students

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

Liturgists for morning worship services

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 Tuesdays and Fridays

Hosts to serve refreshments at Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings

Current Donation Needs

Men’s and women’s seasonal clothes

Cloth ribbon, thread, and washable yarn for Benevolent Guild and Knitting and Crocheting

Travel-size toiletry items

Clean underwear

Individually wrapped food items

For details or to volunteer, email volunteerministry@fourthchurch.org, call 312.981.3382, or go online to www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer

News and Resources

Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday, a day when we will place our 2017 pledges in the offering plate and dedicate them to the work of God’s kingdom. If you have already submitted your pledge or made it online, we will have a card for you to put in the plate to indicate that. Please join us as we celebrate all that we can do together to live out our call to let our light in the city shine brightly!

The names of those who have made 2017 pledges to the Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights by the end of Sunday, November 6 will be printed, as part of our gratitude expressions, in the November 13 bulletin. If you would prefer to remain anonymous, please contact Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576.

The Senior Associate Pastor Nominating Committee has completed and submitted the required Ministry Information Form to the Presbyterian Church (USA) to help identify candidates for our new position of Senior Associate Pastor for Leadership Development and Adult Education. The committee will now begin the process of researching and receiving inquiries from prospective candidates.

Have you seen the pumpkin-decorating photos from Family Night and other fun pictures of Fourth Church life on Facebook? Visit www.facebook.com/fourthchurch

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 6. Be sure to set clocks back an hour.

Shannon Kershner will be running the fortieth Chicago Marathon as part of Team Chicago Lights in October 2017, and we’re hoping to recruit thirty-nine more runners to join her in helping support the community outreach work of Chicago Lights. Contact Kate Solis Silva at ksolis@chicagolights.org for details.

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, November 7 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, November 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Monday, December 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) 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 November 27 or December 25.

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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