



All Saints' Sunday

Gathering

Gathering Music "Time Remembered" Bill Evans
"Fields of Gold" Sting

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.

*Call to Worship

Leader: We remember, O God, the countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time.

People: We remember, O God, the tender touch of loved ones, the example of heroes, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

* Stand as you are able

Leader: We remember, O God, the gentle strength of grandparents,
the sacrifice of parents, the loyalty of friends,
the kindness of strangers, the joy of children.

**People: We remember, O God, the supreme love of Jesus, shown forth
in the lives of all his disciples, young and old, dead and living, articulate and silent,
strange and familiar, brilliant and ordinary.**

Leader: We remember in every time and place the saints of God
who have shaped our lives and our faith.

**People: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us worship God with joy!**

***Opening Song** "For All the Saints"

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Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Holy God, we approach you as children hungry for love—
knowing that we are less than perfect,
knowing that we have made mistakes,
and yet longing for your grace.
Shower your compassion on us;
fill us with your transformative power;
strengthen us to forgive ourselves, and each other, and to move on.**

(Please hold silence)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, in compassion, God knows our hearts and offers healing.

People: We turn again toward God’s grace, love, and strength.

Leader: Let us celebrate the newness of life that awaits us each day.

People: Thanks be to God, we are forgiven and we are loved! Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: We are invited to receive a love greater than we can understand.

Let us remember and share that love with one another in a greeting of peace.

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 111 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: Hallelujah! I will give thanks to God with my whole heart
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
Great are the deeds of God!
They are studied by all who delight in them.
God's work is full of majesty and splendor,
and God's righteousness endures forever.
God makes marvelous works to be remembered.
God is gracious and full of compassion and gives food to those who fear him;
God is ever-mindful of the covenant.
God has shown the people powerful works
in giving them the lands of the nations.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **With my whole heart I thank you, Lord, I thank you, Lord, I thank you, Lord.**

Leader: The works of God's hands are faithfulness and justice; all the commandments are sure,
standing fast forever and ever, wrought in truth and equity.
God sent redemption to the people
and commended the covenant forever; holy and awesome is the name.
The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom;
those who act accordingly have a good understanding.
God's praise endures forever.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **With my whole heart I thank you, Lord, I thank you, Lord, I thank you, Lord.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 20:27–38 (New Testament, page 79)

Sermon “Alive to God” Nanette Sawyer

Confession of Trust and Commitment (*unison*)

In life and in death we belong to God.

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God,
the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God
and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Responding to the Word

Ceremony of Remembrance for All Saints’ Day “We Listen for Your Voice” Rob Clearfield

As we sing the following chant, you are invited to come forward and light a candle for your loved ones.

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

Offertory Music “Shall We Gather at the River” Robert Lowry

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 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" . . *Vicar Earle Copes and Louis F. Benson*

Litany of Dedication for the 2017 Annual Appeal

Leader: The Creator of all life and love has given our earth bountiful blessings.

People: God created humanity to share in the wonder and joy of these blessings.

Leader: All thanks be to God, Giver and Receiver of all that is good.

**People: We return to God portions of what God has given us:
our time, the fruits of our labors, our commitment.**

Leader: May the giving from the fullness of our lives be acceptable in God’s sight.

People: May the gifts we bring show that God’s rule is at hand—both now and to come.

Leader: We dedicate our offerings toward the ministry God has given us.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!



Sending

***Closing Song** “When We Are Living”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Nanette Sawyer	Minister for Congregational Life
Abbi Heimach-Snipes	Pastoral Resident
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.

In the pew information pads today you will find brightly colored “I pledged!” cards. If you have made a pledge to the 2017 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, please take one of those cards as the pads are passed. Please add your name and contact information to the card and then, at the time the offering is received, put the card in the offering plate. We will then dedicate our pledges using the Litany on page 7.

If you have not yet made your pledge to the 2017 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, we invite you to do so today as we observe Commitment Sunday, a time when we dedicate our pledges to the work of God’s kingdom. Pledge cards are available in the pew racks. Pledges can also be made online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal

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All Saints' Sunday

On All Saints' Sunday, we both remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones.

As part of that observance, the names of Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year are read during worship.

Beatrice Badal	George H. Good	Pamela McGaan
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News and Opportunities

Worship

Today 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 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 communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Fellowship

An "Age with Dignity" Focus Group, presented by the Jane Adams Senior Caucus and hosted by the Center for Life and Learning and the World Mission and Social Justice Committee, will be held next Friday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the Borwell Dining Room. Come offer your suggestions for a more just city for older Chicagoans! RSVP (required) with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386.

We are 58 percent of the way to our Let Your Light Shine combined goal of \$3.5 million for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights! If you have not yet had opportunity to make your 2017 Annual Appeal pledge, please do so today and place it in the offering plate. As part of today's service we will be dedicating all the pledges to the work of God's kingdom. Pledge cards are in the pew racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal



News and Opportunities

Enrichment

The book study on *Race in a Post-Obama America: The Church Responds* has been postponed. Watch www.fourthchurch.org/academy for details about a new date.

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 this 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 this Wednesday, November 9 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

Advent

Today we remember loved ones as part of our All Saints' Sunday observances. We also have opportunity to remember them through gifts for Advent and Christmas Flowers. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Contributions can be made using forms in the literature racks, which must be returned by December 11 for names to appear in the bulletin.

The annual Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and Borwell Dining Room. Volunteers are needed that Friday–Sunday; to help, contact Nancy Davis at ndavis@fourthchurch.org

"A Chanticleer Christmas" concert will be held Tuesday, December 6 and Wednesday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.cso.org

Mission and Outreach

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

Save the date for Gala of Hope: February 24, 2017.

A new-volunteer orientation session for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. RSVP online at www.bit.ly/chitutor1110

An intergenerational mission trip to Havana, Cuba, led by Judy Watt and Shelley Donaldson, will take place March 25–April 1, 2017. Participants will share in worship and learn about the resiliency of our sister congregation, First Presbyterian Church. Register online at www.bit.ly/HavanaCuba2017 by December 1.

"Dancing in the Dark: Nurturing Healing and Resilience" is the subject of a seminar sponsored by the Presbytery of Chicago on December 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Vicky Curtiss will preach that day. To register (*required*), visit dancinginthedark.bpt.me by December 1.

Music and the Arts

Organist Thom Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary,

Mozart's Mass in C Minor will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society and the orchestra Camerata Chicago this 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).

Thanksgiving

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

Community Thanksgiving Worship will be held Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Chicago Sinai Congregation, Holy Name Cathedral, Fourth Church, and others will cohost.

Thanksgiving Day worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 24. Abbi Heimach-Snipes will preach.

A Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 24 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For details and ticket information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

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

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

Shower Ministry Greeters for the Meals Ministry program; Tuesdays, 1:15–4:00 p.m.

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, especially on Tuesdays and Thursdays;

Current Donation Needs

Men's and women's seasonal clothes

Cloth ribbon, thread, and washable yarn

For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer

News and Resources

Today is Commitment Sunday, a day when we 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, please take a brightly colored "I Pledged!" card from the pew information pad at the end of each pew, fill in your name, and place the card in the offering plate. If you are making your pledge today, you will find pledge cards in the pew racks.

Be sure to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news, and access resources, including excerpts from sermons and prayers.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 19 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

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. Recruitment will be held through November 28. Contact Kate Solis Silva at ksolis@chicagolights.org for details.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: @FourthChicago

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.

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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