



Second Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Gathering Music "That's the Way of the World" . . . Charles Stepney, Maurice White, Verdine White
"Waters of March" Antonio Carlos Jobim

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 the growing darkness we gather.

People: Our Lenten journey has brought us here.

Leader: Jesus, our Teacher and Lord, sets before us a towel, a bowl, bread, a cup.

People: Christ gives us an example and a commandment ever-new:

Leader: that we love one another as Christ has loved us.

People: Let us show through our love that we are Christ's disciples.

Let us worship God!

* Stand as you are able

***Opening Song** “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

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Prayer of Confession

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts, and still you love us—

People: you have loved us to the end.

Leader: We have denied you,

People: and we have denied our calling to serve one another.

Leader: We have betrayed you,

People: and we have betrayed your commandment to love one another.

Leader: Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

**People: Teach us to love and serve you faithfully and to love and serve one another
by the example you have set for us; in your holy name we pray. Amen.**

Extinguishing the Second Lenten Candle

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, hear this good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, blessed, and sent into the world!

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: 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** "Sign Me Up" *Kevin Yancy and Jerome Metcalf*

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Reading

John 13:1–17. (New Testament, page 101)

Sermon “Washing Feet and Breaking Bread” Nanette Sawyer

Responding to the Word

Lenten Meditation

The Lenten season is a time for self-reflection, deepening spiritual practices, and drawing closer to God, who loves us. Throughout the six weeks of Lent, we will practice different methods of prayer and meditation taken from the rich history of Christian traditions. Through these practices we seek to embody our faith in community.

Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People

During this season we will practice saying some of our prayers out loud before the community. As you consider sharing, remember that you don't need to explain everything about your prayer—simply lift up a few words, or name a person or persons. God will receive the fullness of your prayer without many words, and the community will join our hearts with yours in prayer.

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.**

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

Offertory Music "Sins of My Father" *Tom Waits and Kathleen Brennan*

***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*

The Communion

Communion Music “Beautiful Thing” . . . *Hadewijch of Antwerp, 13th century; adap. Dent Davidson*

Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

O Lord our God, we rise from this table knowing a love beyond imagining.
Thank you for giving us a place at your table;
for serving us the bread of life;
for offering to us, even to us, the cup of salvation.
In humility and hope, we go now from this night to your promised day.
In Christ we pray. Amen.



Sending

***Closing Song.** “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Nanette Sawyer

Minister for Congregational Life

Lucy Smith Quartet

Lucy Smith, vocals

Philip Castleberry, bass

Marcus Evans, drums

Amr 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

Lent and Easter

This year's Lenten sermon series follows Jesus through the Gospel of John.

Daily Lenten devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions or send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org). They are also posted on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and the church website (www.fourthchurch.org) and are available in printed booklets in the literature racks.

An Interfaith Passover Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, will take place on Thursday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at Chicago Sinai (*located at 15 W. Delaware; please arrive by 5:45 p.m.*). For tickets (*required*), sign up at www.bit.ly/seder2017 or call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Thursday, March 16.

A Lenten Taizé service will be held on Friday evening, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a contemplative time of song, silent reflection, and prayer. It will be preceded by a hosted labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall.

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 Sunday, April 2 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or online at www.bit.ly/FPCgifts or by contacting Andrea Miller (amiller@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.2576).

Worship

Sacred Pause, twenty minutes of meditative silence, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to pray for Fourth Church members and those in need.

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available for walking 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 again on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tony De La Rosa, interim executive director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency, will be our guest preacher during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services next Sunday, March 19.

Music and the Arts

The Credo Ensemble will present this week's free Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

An exhibition of art by members of the Center for Life and Learning, our program for adults sixty and over, is on exhibit in the Loggia this month.

What's going on at Fourth Church?

Check out the churchwide calendar on the website for a complete look at what's happening at Fourth Church in the days ahead. You'll also find there calendars by program and interest areas, and you can add the dates to your electronic calendar as well. Visit www.fourthchurch.org or scan this QR code to learn more.



Mission and Outreach

The PCUSA World Mission class concludes next Sunday, March 19 with Tony De La Rosa—also that morning’s guest preacher—speaking at 12:15 p.m. in Room 4G.

Read about Chicago Lights—the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church—in their 2016 annual report: www.bit.ly/clreport2016

Habitat for Humanity Chicago Women Build will be the topic of a presentation by Jennifer Parks, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Chicago, that will be hosted by Women at Fourth on Thursday, March 23 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

A mission trip with BorderLinks in Tucson to learn about the immigrant experience in the Southwest will be led by Abbi Heimach-Snipes July 22–29. Register at www.bit.ly/border2017 by March 26.

The Benevolent Guild gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create stuffed animals and taggies for children and infants in hospitals and shelters. No sewing experience necessary.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets—which offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a grocery store or restaurant—are available by emailing Nancy Davis at ndavis@fourthchurch.org

Fellowship

Young Adults have their weekly Gathering time on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Books by Women will discuss *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War* by Karen Abbott this Tuesday, March 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

For ways to connect with the community of Fourth Church, visit www.fourthchurch.org/community

Volunteers and Donations

The Fourth Church Meals Ministry Bag Lunch program is in immediate need of sweet snacks, such as granola bars, cookie packs, pudding cups, or unopened boxes of Girl Scout cookies to be used in packing lunches. Donations labeled “Bag Lunches” can be dropped off at the church reception desk.

The Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center will hold a one-session orientation for new volunteers on Thursday, March 16 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 4E. RSVP at www.bit.ly/1R9YyIH

For more volunteer opportunities or to sign up, email Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at rcrouch@fourthchurch.org, or visit the website: www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer

Children, Youth, and Family

A “Magical” Family Night, complete with a magician, takes place this Friday, March 17 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its 2017–18 half-day Twos and Preschool classes. For more information or to apply, contact Kathy Hager (khager@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.2579).

Tunes for Tots, an opportunity for parents and children up to two years old to sing together, meets Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Day School Classroom B.

Sunday School for children age three through fifth grade meets on Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center

Eighth-grade Confirmation meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5A.

Youth in grades 6–12 meet for fellowship on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and then gather at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G (Junior Highs) and the Bumpus Room (Senior Highs).

News and Opportunities

Enrichment

Meditation opportunities are offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/rc

Christian Century Study Group will meet Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church and about Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which is a prerequisite for membership, meets this Saturday, March 18 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4F.

"Reading Romans with Karl Barth during Lent," an Academy for Faith and Life Bible study led by Robert Cathey, meets Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

Men's Bible Study meets next Tuesday, March 21 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The book *Faithful Resistance: Gospel Visions for the Church in a Time of Empire* will be the topic of a discussion led by Abbi Heimach-Snipes on Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

News and Resources

The annual Pancake Breakfast will be next Sunday morning, March 19 in Borwell Dining Room. Tickets will be available at the door that day, and all proceeds will support our youth summer mission trips to Cuba, Montreat, and Detroit.

Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times. Information about meeting with a Stephen Minister is available online and by leaving a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Please use the recycling baskets around campus to help us care for creation and assist with the city's recycling program.

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Be sure to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see photos of church life, keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news, and share favorite quotes from sermons, prayers, and daily devotions.

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 Saturday, March 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Monday, April 3 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; or Saturday, April 8 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) 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 March 26 or April 23.

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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