



## Gathering

*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.*

- Gathering Music** "Footprints" . . . . . Wayne Shorter  
"Do You Know Where You're Going To?" . . . . Michael Masser and Gerald Goffin
- Song** "Welcome, Welcome (A Place Called God)" . . . . . Lucy Smith

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## Welcome

### \*Opening Responses

Leader: When we are all despairing and the world is full of grief;

**People: Roll back the stone!**

Leader: Although we fear change and do not feel ready;

**People: Roll back the stone!**

Leader: Because we hope where hope is vain;

Because God calls us from the grave and shows us the way;

**People: Roll back the stone! Let us worship!**

\*Opening Song . . . . . "O Sing to the Lord"

**Prayer of Confession** (*unison*)

**Lord, for some of us, it has been a difficult week.  
Things have happened for which we were not prepared.  
And too often, we do not respond to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience.  
We turn our backs on others in need, or try to tune them out.  
We feel stressed, pulled, pushed, and tossed.**

**Give us peace, Gracious Lord. Help us to slow down.  
Remind us that we stand in need of forgiveness, and then having received such love,  
we are to love and serve others.  
Teach us to pray for courage and strength;  
teach us how to be faithful disciples for you.  
In Christ’s Name, we offer this prayer. Amen.**

**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** “Reach Out Your Hand in Peace”. . . . . *Lucy Smith*

# Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

**Psalter** ..... Psalm 23 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Leader: God is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

God makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

God renews my life and guides me along right pathways for the sake of God's name.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Leader: You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

you have anointed my head with oil and my cup overflows.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of God forever.

**ANTIPHON** (*unison*) **I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

## Scripture Reading

John 10:1–10 ..... (*New Testament, page 97*)

**Sermon** ..... *Nanette Sawyer*

# Responding to the Word

## Musical Reflection

## 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.

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

**Offertory Music** "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" . . . . . *Anthony Showalter and Elisha Hoffman*

**\*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** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart". . . . . *Omer Westendorf and Robert E. Kreutz*

### Closing Response (*unison*)

**God of justice, we have received so much from you.**

**As we move from this table, this service, this time of prayer and praise,**

**to go back out into your world,**

**remind us to do justice for all people;**

**to seek after mercy in all things;**

**and to walk humbly with you all our days.**

**We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

# Sending

\*Closing Song. . . . . "Will You Come and Follow Me"

\*Benediction  
Sending Music

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## Worship Leaders

<b>Nanette Sawyer</b>	Minister for Congregational Life
<b>Shannon J. Kershner</b>	Pastor
<b>Lucy Smith Quartet</b>	Lucy Smith, vocals Bryan Doherty, 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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**FOURTH**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
**CHURCH**  
*A Light in the City*

### PASTORAL STAFF

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**Nanette Sawyer**, Minister for Congregational Life  
**Jeffrey Doane**, Parish Associate for Older Adults  
**Abbi Heimach-Snipes**, Pastoral Resident  
**John Buchanan**, Pastor Emeritus



# News and Opportunities

## 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 with Fourth Church staff for 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.; Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**A service in the style of Taizé** is held on the fourth Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. This candlelit service includes time for silent reflection as well as meditative singing and prayer. We will next gather for the Taizé service on Friday, May 26.

## News and Resources

**Congratulations to Hardy Kim**, who this past Sunday was called by Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church to be their Pastor and Head of Staff. Hardy's last day with us will be Sunday, July 2. Please join us that day when we gather to thank Hardy for his ministry among us and wish him Godspeed in this new call. *You can read Hardy's letter to the congregation at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)*

**Stephen Ministry** provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who find themselves experiencing challenging times. Information about meeting with a Stephen Minister is available online and by leaving a 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.

**Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:** @FourthChicago

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

### **Fourth Church extends its gratitude to the officers**

who this spring will complete their three-year term as Elder, Deacon, or Trustee. When you see them, please take opportunity to thank them—as well as the continuing officers and those officers who were ordained and installed this morning—for their dedication and service to this congregation.



### Volunteers Needed

**Chicago Lights Summer Day** needs volunteers (June 26–August 3) for academic and art class assistance and as field trip chaperones. For details, contact Fernie Tiflis at [ftiflis@chicagolights.org](mailto:ftiflis@chicagolights.org)

**Men are needed as Shower Ministry greeters** on Tuesdays, 1:15–4:00 p.m., on a rotating schedule.

**Children's clothing** is needed for a displaced family: infant girl (size 12–18 months); boy (size 7–8 years), and girl (size 10–12 for a 9-year-old). Please label clothing "Volunteer Ministry" and drop it off at the reception desk.

**Materials and funds for hygiene kits** for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Church World Services are being collected through May 14.

**Nearly 900 snack items** are needed each week to fill sack lunches served to our guests by Fourth Church Meals Ministry. For details or to drop off donations, visit the Meals Ministry cart at Coffee Hour.

*To volunteer—or for additional volunteer opportunities—contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 ([rcrouch@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)).*

### Fellowship

**Young Adults** meet for their weekly Sunday Gathering, a time for fellowship and for conversation about various topics, at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

**Men's Breakfast** will meet this Saturday, May 13 at 8:00 a.m. in the Parish House Dining Room. Carl Treleven, author of *The Unexpected Perspective: The Implications of Darwin and the Big Bang for Christians and Everyone Else* will speak. RSVP to Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**For ways to connect with the community** of Fourth Church, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/community](http://www.fourthchurch.org/community)

### Mission and Outreach

**The Benevolent Guild**, which creates gifts for children in hospitals, meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in 5B.

**Conversations about racial equity** are being sponsored citywide by the Chicago Community Trust. To take part in the one hosted by Fourth Church on Wednesday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4G (with dinner), RSVP by Sunday, May 14 to Vicky Curtiss at [vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org](mailto:vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org)

**"Introduction to Systemic Racism,"** a training workshop to facilitate conversations about race and racism, will be offered Thursday, May 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room 5G. Email Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Friday, May 12 for fee details and to register (space is limited).

**A spring plant sale** will take place at the Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) this Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Each Saturday the Farm also holds open volunteer hours from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**To sign up for organic produce deliveries** from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm visit [www.bit.ly/clcsa2017](http://www.bit.ly/clcsa2017)

**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](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)

# News and Opportunities

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Children will worship with their parents** next Sunday, May 14 during the first part of the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. They will come to the Sanctuary with their parents and then go to their Sunday School classrooms prior to the sermon.

**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).

**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).

**Spring Family Camp** will be Friday, May 19–Sunday, May 21 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. For details and to sign up, see [www.bit.ly/familycamp17](http://www.bit.ly/familycamp17)

**Youth and their families will go camping** Labor Day weekend, September 1–3, at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. For details and to sign up, go to [www.bit.ly/youthcamping17](http://www.bit.ly/youthcamping17)

## Music and the Arts

**Organist Thomas Gouwens** will present this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**To sign up for the South Africa music trip** planned for summer 2018, contact John Sherer (jsherer@fourthchurch.org; 312.981.3592).

**The Choral Society** rehearses on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. for its upcoming concert of French music. All are invited to the concert on Friday evening, May 19 in the Sanctuary.

**The exhibit of colored-pencil drawings** by Rhonda Nass is on display in the Loggia.

## Enrichment

**Meditation opportunities** are offered by the Replogle Center on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered beforehand at 6:30 p.m.

**Weekly Seeds**, a Sunday Bible study for women, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5H.

**"The Righteous Mind by Jonathan Haidt,"** an Academy for Faith and Life class with Nanette Sawyer, meets on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F.

**"Theology of Culture, Discipleship, and the Secular Creed,"** an Academy class taught by Michael Kazanjian, meets Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F.

**Books by Women** will discuss *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II* by Diane Kiernan this Tuesday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Horizons Bible Study**, a monthly Bible study for women, meets this Wednesday, May 10 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 4J.

**"Don't Believe Everything You Think: Change Your Life by Managing Your Mind"** is this year's annual conference hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. It will be held on Saturday, June 10 in Buchanan Chapel. For details or to register call 312.787.8425.

**Daily devotions** are available via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); in the literature racks; and posted online at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch) and [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)

## 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 prayer requests will be read by the pastoral staff during the week.

**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 designed by Nanette Sawyer and created by the Fourth Church community.

**Worship also can be heard** through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

**Please** silence all electronic devices when in the Sanctuary.

**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](http://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](mailto: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, May 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, or Sunday, June 4 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](mailto:hkim@fourthchurch.org)) or go to [www.fourthchurch.org](http://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](http://www.fourthchurch.org)), our page on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and in our weekly email newsletter (send addresses to [news@fourthchurch.org](mailto: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](mailto: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 May 28 or June 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.

### The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

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