

Gathering

Gathering Music "Chelsea Bridge" *Billy Strayhorn*
"Heartsong" *Fred Hersch*

Greeting

*Opening Responses

Leader: Creator Spirit, wellspring of our lives,
as the refreshing rain falls on the just and unjust alike,

**All: refresh us with your mercy,
even though you know well our injustice.**

Leader: As the stream flows steadily on,
defying all the odds of stone and water,

**All: flow over every boundary and border
that separates us from each other.**

Leader: As the waters of our baptism washed us and welcomed us,

**All: renew us now in newness of life
and unity of love.**

Leader: As we were once held
in the waters of our mothers' wombs,

**All: hold us in the power and peace
of your abiding presence.**

Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth 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.

* Stand as you are able

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Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**O God, you are always true to us in love
and we are left wanting to say sorry
for our faithlessness to you and to one another,
for our forgetting of the poor and the broken,
for our feckless abuse of your creation,
for our failure to see your glory and grace in those different from ourselves.
Give us power in living, O God, to change—
and enable us to change, that we might be awakened
to the power of your life at work all around us. 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

Welcome

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 86 (*the congregation sings the antiphon*)

Leader: Bow down your ear, O God; answer me, for I am poor and in misery. Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; save your servant who trusts in you. Be merciful to me, O God, for you are my God; I call upon you all the day long. Gladden the life of your servant, for on you, O God, I set my hope. For you, O God, are good and forgiving, and great is your love toward all who call upon you. Give ear, O God, to my prayer; heed my plea for mercy. In the time of my trouble I call upon you, for you will answer me.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your faithful one.**

Leader: Among the gods there is none like you, O God, nor anything like your works. All the nations you have made will come and worship you, O God, and glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. Teach me your way, O God, I will walk in your truth; knit my heart to you that I may fear your name. I will thank you, O God, my God, with all my heart and glorify your name forevermore. For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your faithful one.**

Leader: The arrogant rise up against me, O God, a violent band seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes. But you, O God, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth. Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your faithful one. Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed, because you, O God, have helped me and comforted me.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your faithful one.**

Scripture Reading

Genesis 21:8–21 (Old Testament, page 16)

Sermon “Better Saints” Hardy H. Kim

Responding to the Word

Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People

Leader: Holy Spirit, who moved in our ancestors and who inspires us still,

People: accept our prayers and bless us.

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.

Sacrament of Baptism

Unison Prayer

**Holy God, remind us of the promises given
in our own baptism and renew our trust in you.**

**Make us strong to obey your will and to serve you with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

Offertory Music “I Am Your Child” Barry Manilow and Marty Panzer

***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 "Fill My Cup" *Isaiah Jones Jr.*

Affirmation of Faith *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

***Closing Responses**

Leader: Christ has come to turn the world upside down;

All: to humble the powerful and lift up the lowly.

Leader: Christ has come to turn the tables;

All: to topple vain idols and to stand with the poor.

Leader: Christ has come to proclaim God's kingdom;

**All: to feed the hungry,
to give sight to the blind,
to strengthen the weary,
to set prisoners free.**

Leader: Christ has come to turn the world upside down;

**All: to overthrow the present order
with a revolution of love.**

Sending

***Closing Song** “Come! Live in the Light!”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim	Associate Pastor
Abbi Heimach-Snipes	Pastoral Resident
Mary Lenox	Lay Liturgist
Lucy Smith Quartet	Lucy Smith vocals Paul Bedal, piano Bryan Doherty, bass Marcus Evans, drums

Baptized during worship today

Benjamin Thomas Hooper, child of Jarrod and Genevieve Hooper

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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Worship

Next week's Jazz at Four service will be outdoors in the Michigan Avenue courtyard. We will gather outside for our Sunday afternoon jazz service three times this summer: July 2, August 13, and September 3 at 4:00 p.m. Come join us!

Our Communion table cloth contains painted handprints from members of this worshipping community. The handprints are different shades of green—the liturgical color of the Season of Ordinary Time—symbolizing growth and change.

The new "I Am" banners in the Sanctuary were made for the liturgical season of Ordinary Time by Vicky Curtiss. In the literature racks is a brochure explaining them, with accompanying prayers.

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available for walking this week on Monday and 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 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

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.

A candlelit service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. We will next gather for this service on Friday, July 28.

News and Resources

A congregational meeting has been called by Session for next Sunday, July 2 following 11:00 a.m. worship. At that meeting we will act to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Hardy Kim as he prepares to move to Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, where he has been called to serve as Pastor and Head of Staff. Following the meeting we will gather for a reception to thank Hardy for his ministry among us and wish him and his family Godspeed in this next chapter in their lives.

The flag above our Sanctuary doors is an expression of our support of the LGBTQ community and is displayed through this Pride weekend, by decision of Session, as a public sign of the welcome and inclusive hospitality we extend to all.

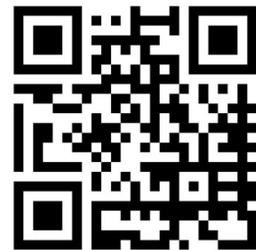
Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn about Fourth Church and Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which is also a prerequisite for membership, next meets on Sunday, July 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Class attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

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 www.fourthchurch.org).

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: @FourthChicago

If you're traveling over the summer

we hope you'll stay connected with us while away: "Like" the Fourth Presbyterian Church page on Facebook to see all the latest Fourth Church news and photos in your News Feed. Bookmark the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org) for access to sermons, devotions, event information, and for more news about the Fourth Church community.



Enrichment

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

Men's Book Club will discuss *The Cubs Way* by Tom Verducci this Monday, June 26 at 7:30 a.m. in the Randolph Room.

Men's Bible Study next meets Tuesday, July 18 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A meditation opportunity will be offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being this Tuesday evening, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. A half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m.

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in the literature racks; and at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), and www.fourthchurch.org

Fellowship

Young Adults meets each summer Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Oak Street Beach for a fun evening of beach volleyball. This Thursday they will also gather for their monthly SpeakEasy fellowship outing, this month at Happy Village (1059 N. Wolcott) for a farewell party for Hardy Kim.

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

Children, Youth, and Family

Our Day School preschool program has openings for the 2017–18 school year. For details, call Kathy Hager at 312.640.2579.

Our youth mission travelers to Cuba departed for Havana yesterday, Saturday, June 24. Today our junior high youth depart for their mission trip to Detroit. Please keep all of these youth and their leaders in your prayers in the week ahead.

This week we welcome the youth group from Covenant Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, as they join us for a weeklong Urban Youth Mission experience that pairs learning and service.

Outdoor Family Movie Nights begin next Thursday, July 6 at 6:30 p.m. on the Day School playground (or, in case of rain, in the Bumpus Room). They will continue each Thursday evening in July.

Youth who are entering eighth grade this coming school year are invited to register for Confirmation, which begins in September and continues through April. Sign up at www.fourthchurch.org/youth/confirmation.html

Those who will be in college this fall are invited to participate in a mission trip to Mexico to build cisterns in Yucatan over Christmas break (December 26 to January 2). Register by Thursday, August 31 at www.bit.ly/fpcmexico17

Summer Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

VBS early-bird registration ends Friday. This year's Vacation Bible School will be held the mornings of Monday–Friday, August 7–11 and will take us back to ancient Rome as we travel with the Apostle Paul, learning about God's love for us and about our call to be disciples. For discounted registration fees, register online at www.bit.ly/fpcvbs17 by June 30.

Youth and their families will go camping Labor Day weekend, September 1–3, at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. For details or to sign up (space is limited), go to www.bit.ly/youthcamping17

Volunteers Needed

Liturgists to read scripture during Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. services

To sign up—or for additional volunteer opportunities—contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org).

Music and the Arts

This Saturday, July 1 is the deadline to sign up for the South Africa music trip planned for the summer of 2018. For details, contact John Sherer (jsherer@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.bit.ly/2sgkp7N

Fourth Church Organist John Sherer will present this week's free Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Music by the Fountain—our series of free outdoor concerts over the lunch hour on Fridays in July and August—begins Friday, July 7 with jazz vocalist Libby York performing in the courtyard at 12:10 p.m.

Rhonda Nass, whose artwork is on exhibition in the Loggia, will talk about her art on Sunday, July 16 at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Mission and Outreach

Knitting and Crocheting meets this Tuesday afternoon, June 27 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for a time of fellowship, to drop off items made for those in need, and to pick up materials.

Chicago Lights Summer Day begins this week at Fourth Church. Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the students, staff, and volunteers participating in this six-week academic and arts program for first through ninth graders from under-resourced neighborhoods.

Fresh, local produce is available from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm. Learn more about the Urban Farm's Community-Supported Agriculture program at www.bit.ly/clcsa2017

A mission trip to China, led by Linda VanderWeele September 23–30, is being offered through Opportunity International. Register by Monday, July 3. For details, contact Vicky Curtiss (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

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

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.

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 Sunday, July 9 or Sunday, August 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. We invite you to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. the day you attend the class. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 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 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.

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