



We Approach God

Gathering Music

Greeting

*Joining Our Voices

(The congregational responses are in boldface type)

God speaks to us

in the riches of creation.

God speaks to us

in the stories of Jesus.

God speaks to us

in the lives of other people.

God speaks to us

in words and ways that we can understand.

God of Pentecost,

help us hear you as we gather and worship on this day.

Amen.

* Stand as you are able

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.

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We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

**Ever-present God,
you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples, creating bold tongues,
opening ears and a new community of faith.
We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.
We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love,
or live as a people made one in Christ.
Have mercy on us, O God.
Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,
and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,
doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
And now, hear us as we silently pray.**

(Silence is held.)

God Forgives and Blesses Us

The Holy Spirit is upon us and has given us this good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, blessed, and sent into the world! Alleluia! Amen!

***Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

Welcome

We Proclaim the Story

Psalter Psalm 118 (*antiphon*); Psalm 104 (*verses*); the congregation sings the antiphon

Leader: O God, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan which you made for sport.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand and they are filled with good things.

Hide your face and they are terrified;

you take away their breath and they die, returning to dust.

Send forth your spirit and they are created; and you renew the face of the earth.

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Leader: May the glory of God endure forever; may God rejoice in all works.

God looks at the earth and it trembles; God touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to God as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine be pleasing; I will rejoice in God.

Let sinners be consumed out of the earth, and the wicked be no more.

Bless God, O my soul. Hallelujah!

ANTIPHON (*unison*) **Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal! Praise the Lord, whose love is eternal!**

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1–21 (*New Testament, page 111*)

Sermon *Abbi Heimach-Snipes*

We Offer Ourselves

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, pledges, and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.)*

Offertory Music

***Doxology** Sung to the tune of "All Creatures of Our God and King"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

We Feast Together

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

(The congregational responses are in boldface type)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy"

The Communion

Communion Music

We Go Out with Gratitude

Prayer of Thanksgiving *(unison)*

O Spirit, you are a bright flame before us.

You are a guiding star above us.

You are the light and love we see in each others' eyes.

Find us, O Spirit, in the urgency of your acting,
the beauty of your dancing, and the boldness of your moving,
so that we may faithfully respond to your will for this world.

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

***Closing Song** “We Will Walk with God”

***Benediction**

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Abbi Heimach-Snipes	Pastoral Resident
Joe Morrow	Minister for Evangelism
Connie Logelin	Lay Liturgist
Musicians	Allison Orobia, 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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News and Resources

Today is Dedication Commemoration Day at Fourth Church, declared by Pastor John Timothy Stone in 1914 to be observed on the third Sunday of each May. On May 10, 1914, our congregation worshiped in this sanctuary for the first time.

As we give thanks today for the legacy given to us by those who built this church, we remember that we too are caretakers of that legacy, charged with passing it on to those who follow. For information about including Fourth Church in your planned giving and estate plans, contact Katy Frey Bever (312.981.3380; kbever@fourthchurch.org).

Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2018 are asked to send their names to Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, June 11 so that they can be included in the bulletin on Sunday, June 17, which is Baccalaureate Sunday.

Encore, a benefit for our Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Saturday, June 1 at 5:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. CSO concertmaster Robert Chen and friends will perform. For further details and tickets visit www.fourthchurch.org/cll

Individuals experiencing life challenges can benefit from being paired with a Stephen Minister. Learn more at www.fourthchurch.org/caring

Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church and explore Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which is also a prerequisite for membership, next meets on Sunday, June 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon 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.

Connection Corner helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour.

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 the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org).

Enrichment

"Race: The Power of an Illusion" with Vicky Curtiss and Robert Crouch next meets at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 3 in Room 5D.

Men's Book Club will discuss *Elephant Company* by Vicki Constantine Croke on Tuesday, May 29 at 7:30 a.m. at a member's home. Contact Anne Ellis for details (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Books by Women will discuss *A Piece of the World* by Christina Baker Kline on Tuesday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Will you be traveling in the weeks ahead?

We hope you'll stay connected with us while away: to see the latest Fourth Church news; thought-provoking quotes from sermons, prayers, and devotions; and photos of church life, "Like" the Fourth Church page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch). And why not tell a friend about Fourth Church by sharing one of our posts!



Worship

This Friday a service in the style of Taizé, a contemplative time of meditative song, prayer, and silent reflection, will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Pause meditation, a time of silent reflection hosted by the Replogle Center and the Spiritual Formation Council, is held Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

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

Devotions written by both Fourth Church members and staff are available daily via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as online at www.fourthchurch.org; and in booklets in the literature racks.

Music and the Arts

A new art exhibit by Gerald Griffin is on display in the Loggia through Labor Day.

This Friday's free Noonday Concert is presented by organist John W. W. Sherer at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Mission and Outreach

Chicago Lights marathon team registration deadline is Tuesday, May 22. To be a part of the team, register online at <http://bit.ly/cl-marathon-team>

Knitting and Crocheting meets this Tuesday, May 22 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 4F.

"Analyzing and Understanding Systemic Racism" training will be offered this Thursday through Saturday, May 24–26. To register contact Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598; vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

The Cycling Club will "Bike the Drive" on Sunday, May 27 at 7:00 a.m. (*meet at Jackson and Columbus*). Registration and the tag must be prepaid. For further details contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A free screening of *Milwaukee 53206*:

The Epidemic of Vanishing Black Men will be hosted by the Interfaith Coalition Against Racism, of which Fourth Church is a member, on Saturday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. at University Church (57th Street and University Avenue).

Join the Gospel Run 5K/10K on Saturday, June 2 to support anti-racism training programs at Fourth Church. To donate or run register online at www.racerooster.com/16612

A mission trip to Washington, D.C., to explore oppression and resistance in our history will take place October 6–13. Applications for this trip led by Robert Crouch and Vicky Curtiss are due Saturday, June 30. To apply visit <http://bit.ly/fpcdc2018>

Fourth Church's Sunlight Project will host a sex trafficking awareness and speaker training event with Selah Freedom on Thursday, June 7 at 4:45 p.m. To volunteer, visit selahfreedom.com

Children, Youth, and Family

Eighth graders were confirmed this morning at the 11:00 a.m. service. Please add these young people and their families to your prayers as they continue journeying in their faith.

There is no Sunday School next Sunday, May 27.

Summer Sunday School, with classes at 9:30 a.m. only, will begin on Sunday, June 3.

The Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its various 2018–19 early childhood programs as well as its June weeks. For details, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579; khager@fourthchurch.org).

Vacation Bible School will be Monday, August 6–Friday, August 10 here at Fourth Church. *Register online at bit.ly/fpcvbs18*

Fellowship

Women at Fourth will gather for a book swap and ice cream social this Thursday, May 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A new men's discussion group, "How to Hear God Speaking Personally through the Gospels," will meet Friday, May 25 from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. in the Randolph Room. To register (*required*), email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Cornerstones—a group for those fifty and older—will meet Friday, June 1 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4G for dinner and a program by Robert Edgeron entitled "The Art of Aging." Register by Wednesday, May 30 (*required*) at www.bit.ly/cfpc0618 or with Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Ushers for memorial services and special events at the church

Coffee Hour Hospitality Team members to serve at Coffee Hour once a month

Shower Ministry greeters (*men*) for rotating Tuesday schedule (1:15–4:00 p.m.)

Greeters for the 4:00 p.m. jazz service

Chicago Lights Urban Farm volunteers; all volunteers must preregister, and new volunteers must attend an orientation; to sign up or for details, visit www.bit.ly/1aNY3AQ/

Clothes donations, particularly men's, for guests of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

Chicago Lights Summer Day volunteers to help with this six-week academic, arts, and enrichment program for students, learn more at new volunteer orientation on Thursday, June 14 at 3:00 p.m. or Thursday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m.; register online at www.bit.ly/2w9B96e

Donations can be left at the reception desk. To sign up—or for additional volunteer opportunities—contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382

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.

Worship also can be heard through the "T" or "T-coil" 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, 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. Attend Sundays, June 10, July 8, or August 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. We invite you to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. the day you attend the class. For details or membership information, contact Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org; 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 Joe Morrow (jmorrow@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 27 or June 24.

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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