



Trinity Sunday

We Approach God

Gathering Music

*Call to Worship

Creator God, in love you have made us.

As your cherished children, we gather to praise you.

Redeemer God, in Christ you have called us.

With disciples from all times and places, we come to follow you.

Sustaining God, by the Spirit's power your grace has found us.

Receiving your gifts, we seek to live into your freedom.

* Please rise in body or spirit

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.

***Opening Song**

“Seek Ye First”

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We Tell the Truth about Ourselves

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Triune God, you call us to be as you are:

one in community.

But we confess that our relationships are imperfect,

and our faith is often weak.

We are selfish and greedy.

We are anxious and embittered.

And our neighbors grieve, unjustly burdened by our brokenness.

Forgive the sin that has driven us apart from one another and from you.

Draw us together again that we might do your word and embody your love. Amen.

God Forgives and Blesses Us

In Jesus Christ,

we are forgiven.

***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

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*congregation sings the antiphon*) Psalm 22:22–31

I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.
You who fear the Lord, give praise!
All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel.
For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the Lord's face hidden from them;
but when they cry out, the Lord hears them.
From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied.
Let those who seek the Lord give praise!
May your hearts live forever!

ANTIPHON: Open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.
For dominion belongs to the Lord,
who rules over the nations.
Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead,
shall kneel before the Lord.
Their descendants shall serve the Lord,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.
They shall proclaim God's deliverance
to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

ANTIPHON: Open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

Scripture Romans 12:1–2, 14–21

Sermon "What Does a Christian *Have* to Believe?" Joseph L. Morrow
Part of the "Big Questions" sermon series

We Offer Ourselves

Musical Reflection

Sharing of Gifts

In gratitude for the love and grace extended to us by God, we share our resources to support ministries of justice, mercy, and beauty. Please place your gifts and pledges in the plate as it passes.

Offertory Music

***Gloria** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

We Feast Together

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

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”

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

We celebrate an open table. All, including children, are invited to the Lord’s Table to receive Communion. You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.

We Go Out with Gratitude

*Prayer of Thanksgiving *(unison)*

Gracious God, in the bread we have broken and the cup we have shared,
our eyes have been opened to the vision of your new creation.
Keep us working and praying for the day when justice and righteousness prevail.
Replenish us in strength and renew us with hope
as we lean into your coming reign of glory. Amen.

*Closing Song "We Are One in the Spirit"

*Benediction

Sending Music

Worship Leaders

Joseph L. Morrow Minister for Evangelism

Nanette Sawyer Associate Pastor

Fred Schwartz Lay Liturgist

The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet

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

We are glad to have you with us today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church! ✱ Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. ✱ We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.



Today is **Trinity Sunday**, the day when the church celebrates the mystery of God as Three in One: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; one God who is Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter. ✱ Our **"Big Questions" sermon series**—in which we consider questions submitted by the congregation earlier this year—continues today with "What does a Christian have to believe?" On June 30 we'll ask, "Is Satan for real?"



Next Sunday, June 23, please join us in welcoming to Fourth Church two global partners in ministry! **Joshua Heikkila**, West Africa Regional Liaison for Presbyterian Church (USA) World Mission, will be preaching at our 8:00 a.m. worship service that day. Then at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room, Josh—who was a member of Fourth Church prior to his ordination—will talk with us about his ministry since his World Mission move to Ghana in 2009. We will also welcome **Liudmila Hernández**, pastor of our sister congregation, the First Presbyterian Church of Havana, and the vice-moderator of the Presbyterian Synod of Cuba. On Sunday, June 23 she will take part in 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship and preach at Jazz at Four, after which we will have a reception in her honor in Allison Library. Then on Monday, June 24 Liudmila will join us at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room for a conversation about the current atmosphere in Cuba.



Today we begin our **2019 Urban Youth Mission program** by welcoming the youth group from the First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, as they join us for a weeklong experience of learning and serving. This Fourth Church UYM program offers youth the opportunity to explore diverse city neighborhoods while performing valuable hands-on service and reflecting on God, faith, and the Christian call to justice.



A visit to ancient Greece with the Apostle Paul is on the horizon for our children this summer! **Vacation Bible School** will take them on a Bible adventure with Paul when we gather the mornings of August 5–9. Registration is open for preschool children to fifth graders. ✱ **Youth volunteers** are also needed for this journey about sharing God's immeasurable love. ✱ Children are also invited to join us for **Summer Sunday School**, which continues at 9:30 a.m. through July 28. ✱ They are also always welcome to worship with their parents; be sure to ask an usher for a **children's bulletin**!



Our summer candlelit **Taizé** service will be held Friday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. (The next Taizé service after that will be this fall.) ✱ All are invited to join staff for **Morning Prayer** on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Spiritual direction—an ongoing conversation between a trained guide and a person seeking self-knowledge and an understanding of what the Spirit invites that person to do with their life—is available through our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Associate Pastor Vicky Curtiss is also among those who offer one-on-one spiritual direction. If you would like to learn more, please contact Vicky (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).
* A **Grief Support Group** for those experiencing significant losses is also offered by our Replogle Center. For details, call the Center at 312.787.8425.



Join us for **Encore**—the sixth annual Center for Life and Learning benefit—this Saturday, June 22 at 5:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel! Tenor Cole Seaton will be joined by musical friends for a performance of Broadway songs, after which we will gather for a reception in the Commons. (*Tickets are only available in advance; visit the sign-up page for details.*) * Beginning on July 8, the Center for Life and Learning will offer a **summer exercise program** at the church for adults sixty and older. Registration is now open!



When you are out shopping or are ordering online, please consider adding to your cart some individually packaged snacks for our **Fourth Church Meals Ministry Snack Drive**. We serve more than 900 snacks a week as part of our Bag Lunch program for guests who are hungry. Donations can be dropped off at the reception desk or shipped to the church, “Attn: Meals Ministry.” * Are you looking for ways to serve or to connect with others while volunteering? We are in need of individuals to wrap silverware, help cook, or serve food for our **Sunday Night Suppers**. * The six-week Chicago Lights **Summer Day** program also needs volunteers to work with students at the church; a one-session orientation will be held this Thursday, June 20 at 6:00 p.m. * If you are interested in learning more about these or other **volunteer opportunities** at Fourth Church, please contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org; 312.981.3382).



On Sunday, June 30 a Fourth Church contingent will be expressing our support of the LGBTQIA community by walking in the **Chicago Pride Parade** with the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches, of which Fourth Church is a partner congregation. For details about when and where to meet on the day of the parade, email Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@fourthchurch.org). * Next Sunday, June 23 those who would like to join our monthly **LGBTQIA brunch** are invited to meet at Coffee Hour at 12:15 p.m. and from there go to a restaurant for a time of fellowship. * These events and the many other programs on the Fourth Church calendar are invitations to connect with others here at Fourth Church or in the community. Among those upcoming opportunities are **Men’s Bible Study**, which meets this Tuesday, June 18 at 7:30 a.m.; **Women at Fourth**, which meets on Thursday, June 27 for a program on sacred music, led by John Sherer, Fourth Church’s Organist and Director of Music; and **Knitting and Crocheting**, which meets on Tuesday, June 25.



Will you be traveling over the summer? **Keep up to date** on the happenings here by bookmarking the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org) or by following us on Facebook and Instagram (@FourthChurch)! * You can easily **make pledge gifts online** at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online or by clicking on the “To Make a Gift” button on the Fourth Church website.



Calendar for June 16–23, 2019

Sunday, June 16	4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four • Joe Morrow preaching	Buchanan Chapel
<i>Trinity Sunday</i>	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, June 17	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	<i>Catholic Charities</i>
Tuesday, June 18	7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	The Loop
	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause Meditation	Stone Chapel
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches.	Anderson Hall
Wednesday, June 19	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches.	Anderson Hall
Thursday, June 20.	12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches.	Anderson Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Summer Day Volunteer Orientation	Room 4E
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Choir Rehearsal.	Sanctuary
Friday, June 21.	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: An Tran, guitar	Sanctuary
Saturday, June 22.	10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Dance Academy.	Parish House Dining Room
	5:00 p.m.	Encore	Buchanan Chapel
Sunday, June 23.	8:00 a.m.	Worship • Joshua Heikkila preaching.	Sanctuary
	9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
	9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery.	Nursery / Day School
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship • Shannon Kershner/Nanette Sawyer preaching.	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School.	Borwell Dining Room
	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	LGBTQIA Brunch.	Meet in Coffee Hour
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four • Liudmila Hernández preaching.	Buchanan Chapel
	5:00 p.m.	Reception for Liudmila Hernández	Allison Library
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

For details, go to www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up

During Today's Worship

All are encouraged to visit a prayer station to offer joys and concerns by writing them on a prayer card. The cards will be collected at the end of worship, read by the pastoral staff during the week, and then displayed in an ongoing art project.

We celebrate an open table at Communion. All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion. You are invited to come forward, receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available—just ask), dip the bread into the nonalcoholic grape juice, and return to your seat by stopping at one of our prayer stations to offer your prayers of gratitude or sorrow.

Worship can be heard through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids.

Please silence all electronic devices when in the Chapel.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons and by email: subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons

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 Sunday, July 14 or September 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room (register online for the class at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers). 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 (member@fourthchurch.org; 312.981.3399) or go to www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers

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 (subscribe online at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc).

If you are interested in considering baptism or becoming a member of Fourth Church during the 4:00 p.m. service, 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 June 23.

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).

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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