



March 17, 2024

# *The Gathering*

## Communion at 2:00

**We Gather.**

### **Gathering Music**

#### **Song** "Be Thou My Vision" (Hymnal 450)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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*\*Please rise in body or spirit.*



**FOURTH  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**  
A Light in the City

*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.*

**\*Song** "Just a Closer Walk" (Hymnal 835)

*Refrain:*

Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *(Refrain)*

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *(Refrain)*

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;  
guide me gently, safely o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. *(Refrain)*

**\*Peace**

*The peace of Christ be with you.*  
And also with you.

**Song** "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" (Hymnal 775)

I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
All along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
When my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
When my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

## We Hear.

**Scripture** . . . . . 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

**Sermon** . . . . . Nancy Benson-Nicol

## We Respond.

### Offering

*The gifts we share to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in the offering plate or, upon leaving today, in the offering boxes at the Sanctuary exits. Gifts also can be given online at [www.fourthchurch.org/give](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give) or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church)*

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” (Hymnal 802, v. 1, 5, 6)

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

Thou spread’st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

### Communion

*Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the juice).  
Gluten-free bread is available.*

### The Lord’s Prayer

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.

**Communion Song** “My Dreams” (The Cranberries)

## **\*Song** “We Are Marching in the Light of God” (Hymnal 853)

We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God;  
We are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing . . .

We are praying . . .

We are singing . . .

## **\*Blessing**

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### **Worship Leader**

Nancy Benson-Nicol

### **The Music Today**

Beena David, vocals; Bryan Doherty, bass; Amr Fahmy, piano; Neal Wehman, drums

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**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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# You are invited

March 17–23, 2024



## You belong here!

This may be your first time in worship at Fourth Presbyterian Church, or perhaps you worship here so often you call Fourth Church “home”; in either case, **we are grateful for your presence today.** Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone—without exception—into the life of this congregation. No matter where you may be in your faith journey, no matter what questions or burdens you may bring to this place, we take seriously that God loves everyone, so you belong here.

Every Sunday we read the old biblical stories and sing hymns (some of which our grandparents sang), while also engaging the world we live in this minute through liturgy, prayers, and sermons.

**By connecting the story of our lives to the story of Christ’s life,** we discover hope and even joy, and are inspired to reflect the light of Christ to the city.

**If you are new to us,** stick around after worship. Join us for Coffee Hour or speak to one of our pastors. We have many programs to expand your spirit and enrich your life. We would love to tell you more.

**Give us a try; soon you too might be calling Fourth Church “home.”**

## Joining us online

Each Sunday our worshipping body is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews. For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we **livestream our 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services** on our YouTube channel ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)), where they can be viewed any time after the services begin. *(For tips on how to watch—from the beginning—a service that is already in progress, see [fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning](http://fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning))* ✳ **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at 9:30 a.m.

## Joining us in person

If you like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather on Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. *(except on Easter Sunday, when the second morning service will be at 11:30 a.m.)*. ✳ The **doors open for worship** a half hour prior to each service. There are three fully accessible entrances, without steps, that lead to the Sanctuary: on Michigan Avenue *(through the glass Loggia doors between the courtyard and the main Sanctuary doors)*; at 126 E. Chestnut; and at 115 E. Delaware. ✳ **Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan *(access from Rush or Walton)* at the rate of \$9 for 6 hours *(and \$18 for up to 12 hours)* and at the Hancock garage *(875 N. Michigan)* at the rate of \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from an usher. ✳ **Worship can be heard** through “T” or “T-coil” settings of hearing aids. ✳ Please silence **electronic devices** during worship.

**Ensure you receive the latest updates, stories, and snapshots** from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at [www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc](http://www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)

## Let us know you're worshipping with us!

Please let us know you are here by filling out an information form. If you are worshipping with us via livestream you will find a link to the online form—which takes only 20 seconds to complete!—included in the descriptive text below the video (*after exiting full-screen view*). If you are worshipping with us in person, please use the **information pads in the pews**, passing them down the pew so worshippers have opportunity to greet one another by name following the service.

## Prayer, meditation, and sermons

Each Wednesday we gather at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**; on Wednesday, April 3 we will also gather at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel for our monthly **in-person Morning Prayer**. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)). ✱ Buchanan Chapel is also open for **opportunity to walk the labyrinth** between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. ✱ A **Sacred Pause time of meditation** is offered virtually on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at [facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](https://facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing) ✱ During the week we make the Sunday morning **service and sermon available via podcast** on multiple podcast platforms and at [fourthchurch.org/podcasts](https://fourthchurch.org/podcasts) ✱ You can also receive the previous Sunday morning's **sermon text** ([fourthchurch.org/sermons](https://fourthchurch.org/sermons)) **by email** by subscribing at [www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons).

## Observing the season of Lent

We invite you to use our **Lenten devotions** as a resource for **personal reflection**. To receive those meditations daily via email, subscribe online at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) ✱ Also available for your reflection during the season is a **Lenten “Rhythm and Word” video series**. These ten-minute videos, which include music by the the Gathering musicians, are released on our YouTube channel ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)) on Wednesday evenings. To receive them by email, sign up online at [www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail](http://www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail) ✱ For our **Holy Week and Easter worship schedule**, see [fourthchurch.org/lent-easter](https://fourthchurch.org/lent-easter)

## One Great Hour of Sharing

We are receiving the **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** (OGHS) throughout Lent. Gifts to this offering support **Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center; Fourth Church Meals Ministry**; and the work of **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People** programs. To make an OGHS gift, you can use the envelopes in the pew racks or designate “One Great Hour of Sharing” when giving via [fourthchurch.org/give](https://fourthchurch.org/give) or Venmo (@Fourth-Church) or by writing OGHS on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

## Easter flowers

**Today is the last day to make Easter flower contributions** in remembrance or honor of a loved one. A list of those memorialized by the Sanctuary flowers will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Gifts can be made at [www.bit.ly/fpcgift](http://www.bit.ly/fpcgift) and must be received no later than today, Sunday, March 17 for names to be listed. For details, contact Gloria Vicente ([gvicente@fourthchurch.org](mailto:gvicente@fourthchurch.org); 312.252.3571).

# Pastor Nominating Committee

The first step in our search for a new pastor will be the election of a **Pastor Nominating Committee** (PNC) later this spring. To help the Nominating Committee prepare a slate of recommended PNC candidates, the committee asks that you take a moment between now and April 7 to submit your suggestions of individuals to serve on the PNC. **Forms for self-nomination and for recommending someone else** can be found at [fourthchurch.org/pnc](http://fourthchurch.org/pnc); the Nominating Committee is also hosting a Zoom **information session about serving on the PNC** on Tuesday, March 19 at 5:15 p.m. For Zoom details, register at [www.bit.ly/pncinfo324](http://www.bit.ly/pncinfo324)

# Get connected

**Men’s Bible Study** meets via Zoom at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays. **Horizons Women’s Bible Study** meets via Zoom on Wednesday, March 27 at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. For details, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)). ✱ **Benevolent Guild**, which creates sewn and crafted items for those in need, meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B. *Sewing experience is not necessary.* ✱ “Together We Play: **Movement and Family Yoga**” takes place this Friday, March 22 from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. For details about the class or about **fall enrollment for the 2024–2025 Day School preschool year**, email Kathy Hager ([khager@fourthchurch.org](mailto:khager@fourthchurch.org)). ✱ Organist Michal Szostak will present this week’s free **Friday Noonday Concert** at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary (*also livestreamed*). ✱ **Knitting and Crocheting** meets via Zoom on Tuesday, March 26 at 4:00 p.m. Email Simon (*see above*) for details. ✱ Rehearsing on Sundays are the **Handbell Choir** at 12:15 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel Loft and **Voices of Light**, our gospel choir, at 12:15 p.m. in Room 4G. ✱ **Tom Dozeman** will talk about “**Christian Nationalism: How Did It Evolve, and What Does It Mean Today?**” when **Cornerstones**—a fellowship group of those fifty and over—meets on Friday evening, April 5 in Borwell Dining Room. Preregistration is required at [www.bit.ly/cornerstones424](http://www.bit.ly/cornerstones424)

# Join Us for the Journey to Easter

<b>Palm/Passion Sunday</b> <b>March 24</b>	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship with palm processional (9:30 <i>also livestreamed</i> ) 2:00 p.m. “The Gathering,” with Communion ( <i>also livestreamed</i> )
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<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>March 28</b>	12:10 p.m. Communion service with optional foot and handwashing 6:30 p.m. Tenebrae Communion Service ( <i>also livestreamed</i> )
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<b>Good Friday</b> <b>March 29</b>	12:10 p.m. Good Friday Service 5:30 p.m. Children’s Program in Buchanan Chapel 6:30 p.m. Choral Service: <i>Stabat Mater</i> by Francis Poulenc ( <i>also livestreamed</i> )
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<b>Holy Saturday</b>	7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil
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<b>Easter Sunday</b> <b>March 31</b>	6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach 9:30 a.m. Children’s Program in the Gratz Center 9:30 a.m. Easter Service ( <i>also livestreamed</i> ) 11:30 a.m. Easter Service 2:00 p.m. The Gathering with Communion ( <i>also livestreamed</i> )
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## Stay connected

You can find details about **additional ways to connect with one another and this congregation**, whether in person or online, on **our website: [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)**, where you will also discover **various resources and opportunities**. ☼ To see all that is going on at Fourth Church, we encourage you to bookmark our online **church calendar**, which is accessible at [fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://fourthchurch.org/calendar) and from our website's home page. ☼ We invite you to follow us on **YouTube** ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)), **Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and **Instagram** ([instagram.com/fourthchurch](http://instagram.com/fourthchurch)). ☼ Look for information, updates, and **snapshots of life at Fourth Church** in our weekly email newsletter, to which you can subscribe at [ww.bit.ly/newsfromfpc](http://ww.bit.ly/newsfromfpc)

## Joining Fourth Church

To **become a member of Fourth Church**, we invite you to a one-session Inquirers' Class in person on Sunday, March 24 at 12:15 p.m. (*register at [www.bit.ly/inquirers324](http://www.bit.ly/inquirers324)*) or via Zoom on Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. (*register at [www.bit.ly/inquirers424](http://www.bit.ly/inquirers424)*). For more information, contact Matt Helms ([mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)).

## Pastoral care and a listening presence and witness

To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email Gloria Fleming ([gfleming@fourthchurch.org](mailto:gfleming@fourthchurch.org)) or Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)). ☼ Also email Gloria if you would like to **talk to a pastor or notify pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; if the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ☼ **For those facing life's challenges**, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To **talk with a Stephen Minister**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. ☼ **A new grief group starts May 15** and is facilitated by our **Replegle Center for Counseling and Well-Being**. For details, email Sharon Crawford-Tucker ([stucker@fourthchurch.org](mailto:stucker@fourthchurch.org)). ☼ To **explore options for counseling**, call the Replegle Center at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit [www.repleglecenter.org](http://www.repleglecenter.org)



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