



# Fourth Presbyterian Church

*All Saints' Sunday*

November 7, 2021 • 10:00 a.m.

## Gathering around the Word

### Prelude

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word . . . . . Johann Sebastian Bach

Variations on “The Lord’s My Shepherd”. . . . . Margaret Sandresky

**Introit** :: “In God Alone” . . . . . Jacques Berthier

*In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.*

*Only in God my soul can find its rest and peace.*

**\*Doxology** (*congregation is invited to sing while wearing a mask*)

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

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: *Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;*

**All:** *there is no end to God’s greatness.*

Leader: *One generation shall praise your works to another*

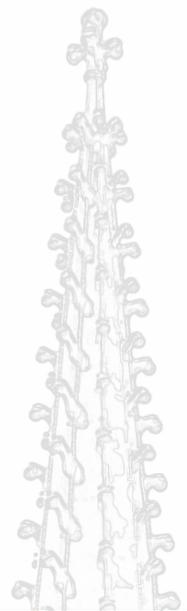
**All:** *and shall declare your power.*

Leader: *All your works praise you, Lord,*

**All:** *and your faithful servants give thanks.*

Leader: *My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:*

**All:** *let all creation honor God’s holy name forever!*



*\*Please rise in body or spirit. †Or “Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.”*

**\*Hymn** (*congregation is invited to sing while wearing a mask*) . . . . . “For All the Saints”

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-  
fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the  
countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.  
Forgive us for those times when our lives have not fully witnessed to the faith we hold.  
You have commanded us to speak, but we have often been silent.  
You have called us to do what is just, but we have often been fearful.  
Have mercy on us.  
Encourage and inspire us to be better witnesses for all those who will follow after us.  
We pray all of this in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon**

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Anthem :: Requiem** . . . . . Gabriel Fauré

*I. Kyrie — Introit*

*Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.  
Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.  
Hear my prayer: unto thee shall all flesh come.  
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.*

*II. Offertorium*

*Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed  
from the pains of hell and from the bottomless pit.  
Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, Deliver them from the lion’s mouth,  
nor let them fall into darkness, neither the black abyss swallow them up.  
We offer unto thee this sacrifice of prayer and praise  
Receive it for those souls whom today we commemorate.  
Allow them, O Lord, to cross from death into the life  
which once thou didst promise to Abraham and his seed.*

*III. Sanctus*

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

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**Listening for the Word**

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**Prayer for Illumination**

**Psalter** . . . . . Psalm 42

**\*Gloria Patri** (congregation is invited to sing while wearing a mask)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:† as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Scripture Lesson** . . . . . John 11:32–44

**Sermon ::** “If Only You Had Been Here” . . . . . Shannon J. Kershner

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†Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

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## Responding to the Word

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**Anthem** :: Requiem . . . . . G. Fauré

*IV. Pie Jesu*

*Merciful Jesus, Lord, grant them rest, eternal rest.*

*V. Agnus Dei*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant them rest, everlasting rest.*

*May eternal light shine on them, O Lord, with thy saints forever, because thou are merciful.*

*VI. Libera me*

*Deliver me, O Lord, from everlasting death on that dreadful day when the heavens and the earth shall be moved, when thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.*

*I quake with fear and I tremble awaiting the day of account and the wrath to come.*

*That day, the day of anger, of calamity, of misery, that day, the great day, and most bitter.*

*Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.*

*VII. In Paradisum*

*May the angels receive them in Paradise, at their coming may the saints receive thee and bring thee into the holy city Jerusalem. There may the chorus of angels receive thee, and with Lazarus, once a beggar, may thou have eternal rest.*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*) . . . . . Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Litany for All Saints' Sunday**

Leader: *God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with you. For all the saints who have gone before us,*

**All: we give you thanks, O God, for our ancestors in the faith.**

Leader: *For all the saints who have been beloved to us,*

**All: we give you thanks for our loved ones who have entered your Church Triumphant.**

Leader: *For all the saints who have left us too soon,*

**All: O God, we mourn their death, and they remain in our hearts.**

Leader: *For all the saints who are still shining lights in this world,*

**All: may we learn from their ways and follow you.**

Leader: *For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and especially for those members of Fourth Presbyterian Church who have, since last All Saints' Day, finished their race and are now at rest with you . . . we give you thanks, O God, and for these your servants,*

**All: we praise you. Keep us grateful for their witness and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ.**

**Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light;**

**through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever and who taught us to pray saying,**

## **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.**

## **Offering**

**Prayer of Dedication** *(unison)*

Gracious God, every good and perfect gift comes from you.  
In thanksgiving for all your blessings, we open our hands to give back to you.  
Receive these gifts as an expression of our love,  
and as a dedication of the greater gift of our lives to your service. Amen.

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Bearing the Word into the World

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**\*Hymn** *(congregation is invited to sing while wearing a mask)*. “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;  
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;  
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell’s destruction, land me safe on Canaan’s side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee;  
I will ever give to thee.

**\*Charge and Benediction**

*Worshipers who wish to do so are invited to sing along (while masked)  
with the choir during the Benediction responses.*

**Postlude**

Elegy. . . . . Malcolm Archer

*We invite you to enjoy the postlude.  
If you need to leave prior to the end of the postlude,  
please do so quietly out of respect for those who choose to stay.*

## ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

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*On All Saints' Sunday, we both remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year are read during worship.*

Maripat Abbott	Charles Kerr
David Albertson	Amy Lynn Kleckner
David L. Anderson	Michael J. Patterson
Bernard B. Blaauw	Randy W. Patterson
Judith K. Braskamp	Robert T. Pernau
Robert J. Darnall	Robert W. Rasmussen
Lois Ekstrand	Londa E. Robinson
Patricia Kay Felkins	Rosemary Schnell
Irene Ruth Gerrans	George S. Tolley
Ronald S. Horning	Joan S. Wettstein
Martha M. Kayler	

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**We are glad to be worshipping with you 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.



On the Fourth Church campus, including in worship, **everyone is required to wear masks, fully covering the nose and mouth**. Anyone not vaccinated against COVID-19 is also required to practice social distancing. ✧ For those worshipping with us in person, we are not checking vaccination status, but **by entering the Fourth Church campus you certify** that (a) you do not currently have COVID-19; (b) you are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) you have no reason to quarantine; and (d) you will practice social distancing if you are not vaccinated against COVID-19.



If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather for a **10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary and a 4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel**. ✧ In the Sanctuary, **the front section is for those required to or choosing to practice social distancing**. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating. Seating for Jazz at Four is set up for social distancing. ✧ **The congregation is invited to sing while masked**. We encourage those who are concerned about being near those who are singing to consider the socially distanced seating section or join those who worship with us from home via livestream. ✧ **Nursery care** is not available at this time. ✧ **Worship can be heard** in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the “T” or “T-coil” setting of hearing aids. ✧ Please silence **electronic devices** when in the Sanctuary or Chapel. ✧ On Sundays the **doors open for worship** at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. For the morning service, access is by the Michigan Avenue doors to the Sanctuary and the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center. For the Jazz at Four service, access is only by the Delaware doors. ✧ **Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and at the Hancock garage (*875 N. Michigan, enter from Delaware or Chestnut*) 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.

**You can read more** about the guidelines in place for in-person worship as well as information about continued online opportunities **at [www.fourthchurch.org/reopening](http://www.fourthchurch.org/reopening)**

Following the 10:00 a.m. service, Deacons are available in Stone Chapel (*through the door to the right of the pulpit*) to pray with **individuals who would like to offer prayers of praise or concern.** ✨ On Wednesdays we gather at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom.** For details, email Carol Allerton ([callerton@fourthchurch.org](mailto:callerton@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ A virtual **Sacred Pause time of meditation** is hosted by our Replogle Center on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at [facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](https://facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing) ✨ Written by members and staff, **daily devotional meditations** are available online ([www.fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://www.fourthchurch.org/devotions)), via Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), Twitter ([twitter.com/fourthchicago](https://twitter.com/fourthchicago)), and email (*sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)*).



**For those who prefer to worship online** or who are unable to join us in person, we continue to livestream our morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. at [www.bit.ly/FPCworship](http://www.bit.ly/FPCworship), Facebook Live ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), and YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)). (*The prelude begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.*) The service is also available for viewing after the service, including later in the week. ✨ **Those without Internet access** are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at the time of the service. ✨ During the week we make the **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes and Spotify ([www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast](http://www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast)).



Each Wednesday we release a new video in our **“Rhythm and Word: Midweek Music and Prayer”** series, a fifteen-minute worship experience weaving together scripture, prayer, and music by the Fourth Church Jazz Quartet. You can **subscribe to our YouTube channel** and watch the videos there ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)) or **receive them by email** (*sign up at [www.bit.ly/rhythmmandwordemail](http://www.bit.ly/rhythmmandwordemail)*).



For those who are facing life’s challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. To arrange a conversation with a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. ✨ To explore options for teletherapy, call our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being** at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. ✨ If you would like **to talk to a pastor** or notify the pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please call the church (312.787.4570). ✨ **If you have a prayer request**, Dave Handley ([dhandley@fourthchurch.org](mailto:dhandley@fourthchurch.org)) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries.

**Ensure you receive the latest updates** 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)

All Saints' Sunday is a day when we also **remember with gratitude those who have gone before us** and in their planned giving remembered those who would follow them in ministry here at Fourth Church. It is also an **invitation to consider our own legacy**. Making a gift to Fourth Church through your will, trust, or IRA can sustain this church's ministries for generations to come. For information about planned giving, contact Katy Frey Bever ([kbever@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kbever@fourthchurch.org)).



This Tuesday, November 9 **Books by Women** will meet via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. to discuss ***Cher Ami and Major Whittlesey*** by Kathleen Rooney. For details, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ On Tuesday, December 7 the **First Tuesday Book Club** will discuss ***IRL: Finding Realness, Meaning, and Belonging in Our Digital Lives*** by Chris Stedman at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. For details, email Lewis Hamer ([lhamer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lhamer@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ **Men's Bible Study** meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., and the **Horizons Bible Study for women** offers two online sessions on Wednesday, November 10: one at 12:00 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m. For details for Men's or Women's Bible studies, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ **TwentiesThirties Bible Study** for young adults meets online on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. to begin reading through the New Testament. Email Joe Morrow ([jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)) for details.



Today at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom Lois Snively will lead us in looking at **how to discern vocational calling** in a secular workplace. Cohosted by the Adult Education Committee and the TwentiesThirties fellowship group., this three-week "Discerning Vocation" class will meet via Zoom today ([register at www.bit.ly/vocation1121](http://www.bit.ly/vocation1121) for Zoom details) and then meet in person the next two Sundays.



**An organ concert by Aaron David Miller** on Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary will celebrate the sixth anniversary of the dedication of the Andrew Pipe Organ and the twenty-fifth anniversary of John Sherer as Organist and Director of Music at Fourth Church. This in-person concert will also be livestreamed and will include Aaron David Miller premiering his composition "**Sonata for a Sacred Space,**" commissioned by the congregation in honor of John Sherer's twenty-five years at Fourth Church. ✨ This Friday **Organ Scholar Michael Rees** will present our weekly Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. *Masks must be worn by all in attendance.* Our concerts are also livestreamed and available at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms), on YouTube ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)), and on Facebook Live. ✨ On Saturday, November 20 at 5:00 p.m. we will be **singing carols** (*while masked*) on the steps of the Sanctuary as part of the **Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival**.

As part of our congregation's sesquicentennial celebrations, a **Michigan Avenue Forum this Tuesday**, November 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary (*and livestreamed at [www.bit.ly/fpcprograms](http://www.bit.ly/fpcprograms)*) will present "**Is the Church a Light in the City? Faith in the Twenty-First Century**," a conversation among notable church and community speakers that commemorates our 150th anniversary and looks at Fourth Church's history as a citizen of Chicago. Moderated by Lucy Forster-Smith, this panel discussion will bring together **Shannon Kershner**; Pastor Emeritus **John Buchanan**; **Felicia Davis Blakley**, President and CEO of the Chicago Foundation for Women; and **William Schweiker**, Professor of Theological Ethics at the University of Chicago Divinity School. ✨ This Michigan Avenue Forum will be followed by an in-person "**The Next 150 Years**" program on Saturday morning, November 13. This opportunity to further explore the topics discussed on Tuesday evening will invite participants to exchange ideas in conversations led by Fourth Church members and program partners focusing on **arts and culture, community, racial justice and diversity, equity and inclusion, and well-being**. After an introductory greeting from Shannon Kershner, two breakout sessions will be held, and after a break, a second pair of sessions will convene. For more information, contact Lewis Hamer (*[lhamer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lhamer@fourthchurch.org)*). ✨ During this 150th anniversary year we encourage you to visit the web page **[www.fourthchurch.org/150](http://www.fourthchurch.org/150)** to read **historical accounts** and view videos of **pastors who formerly served at Fourth Church** as they share memories of their time with our congregation.



Women at Fourth is coordinating our annual **Christmas Wishes project to provide gifts for Chicago Lights Tutoring students**. To support this project we are collecting gift cards to Target, Amazon, and Walmart. If you are dropping off **gift cards** at the church, please mark them as to the attention of Simon Crow and designate the amount on the card(s). (*We are giving \$30 worth of gift cards to each student.*) We are also purchasing a book to give to each student and appreciate **monetary contributions to support the book purchases**. Monetary gifts can be made to Fourth Church, noting "Christmas Wishes" in the comments/memo line. For more information, email Simon Crow (*[scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)*).



Those interested in **becoming Fourth Church members** are invited to contact Joe Morrow (*[jmorrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jmorrow@fourthchurch.org)*). ✨ For resources and ways to connect with Fourth Church and one another, watch our website (**[www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)**), Facebook (**[facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)**), and Instagram (**[instagram.com/fourthchurch](https://instagram.com/fourthchurch)**) ✨ Online events are posted on our **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at [www.fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calendar)

## Worship Leaders

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Sofia Fajardo, Matt Helms, Sara Pfaff, David Handley, Shannon J. Kershner

## The Music Today

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Members of the Morning Choir

Michael Rees, Organ Scholar

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

## Worship Notes

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THE COMPOSER OF THE REQUIEM being sung this morning, Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924), began composing the work in 1887, following the death of his parents, and completed it in 1890. Based on the Roman Catholic Mass for the Dead, it is in seven sections. Fauré wrote, “It has been said that my Requiem does not express the fear of death, and someone has called it a lullaby of death. But it is thus that I see death: as a happy deliverance, an aspiration towards happiness above, rather than as a painful experience.” The Requiem was later sung at Fauré’s own memorial.

THE ORDINARY TIME BANNERS, commissioned for our 150th anniversary, evoke this congregation’s call to be a light in the city. The pulpit parament, incorporating a map of Chicago, is created from 150 pieces, one for each year of our history. The use of blue and green represents Lake Michigan and the prairie surrounding the city, while the hanging banners offer images of local wildflowers.

OFFERING GIFTS to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in one of the offering boxes at the exit from the Sanctuary. They also can be given via Venmo (@Fourth-Church) or online at [www.fourthchurch.org/give-online](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online) (or via the “To Make a Gift” button on our website: [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)).

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**Shannon J. Kershner** Pastor

**Lucy Forster-Smith** Senior Associate Pastor

Associate Pastors

**Matt Helms** Children and Family Ministry

**Joseph L. Morrow** Evangelism and Community Engagement

**Nanette Sawyer** Discipleship and Small Group Ministry

**Rocky Supinger** Youth Ministry

**David Handley** Interim Minister for Caring Ministries

**Jeffrey Doane** Parish Associate for Older Adults

**Maggie Shreve** Parish Associate for Jail Ministry

**John Buchanan** Pastor Emeritus

