

Fourth Presbyterian Church

Trinity Sunday

June 12, 2022 • 10:00 a.m.

Gathering around the Word

Prelude :: Prelude, Fugue, and Variation César Franck

Introit :: “Call to Remembrance, O Lord” Eric DeLamarter

*Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving-kindness,
which have been ever of old. Amen.*

***Doxology**

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: Triune God, full of grace and glory,
we gather as those who have been made in your own image.*

People: O Lord, let us rejoice in the presence of our Creator.

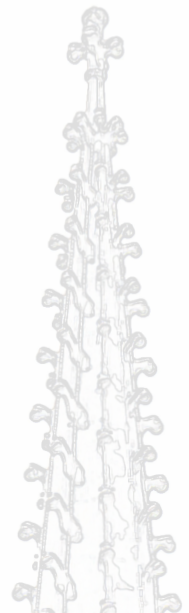
*Leader: O God of might and mercy, we rejoice as those who have been set free
in your life, death, and resurrection.*

People: O Lord, let us rejoice in the presence of our Redeemer.

*Leader: O God of consolation and comfort,
we sojourn on as those whom you brought to unity on Pentecost
and then sent out to be your witnesses.*

People: O Lord, let us rejoice in the presence of our Sustainer.

*Leader: Gracious God, you have revealed yourself to us
in more ways than we can recall or recount.
Let us rejoice this day in your love that will not let us go.*



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

***Hymn 1** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy God, mutual and loving, you call us toward reconciliation
and lead us to see our differences as gifts.
But we confess that we most often regard them as frustrations.
In the struggle for loving community, we prefer to turn inward,
living with selfishness and greed, anxiety and envy.
And it is not only we, but all our neighbors and the earth,
that feel the burden of such brokenness.
Let not these sins drive us apart from one another and you.
Draw us close in forgiveness, and gather us together through your mercy. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Welcome and Announcements

Sacrament of Baptism

Anthem :: “King of Glory, King of Peace” David Charles Walker

*King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee;
and that love may never cease, I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.
Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.
Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.
Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee;
e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.*

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter Psalm 8

*Gloria Patri

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.

Second Lesson John 16:12–15

Sermon Lucy Forster-Smith

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

Responding to the Word

***Hymn 707** “Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”

Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray;
give us the mind of Christ each passing day;
teach us to know the truth that sets us free;
grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.

Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own;
come thou within our souls and claim thy throne;
help us to shed abroad thy deathless love;
use us to make the earth like heaven above.

Take thou our wills, Most High! Hold thou full sway;
have in our inmost souls thy perfect way;
guard thou each sacred hour from selfish ease;
guide thou our ordered lives as thou dost please.

Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will;
through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill.
We yield ourselves to thee: time, talents, all;
we hear, and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call.

***Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*) from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (PCUSA)

In life and in death we belong to God.

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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.

Call to Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Let the Whole Creation Cry” Jakob Hintze; arr. John Ferguson
*Let the whole creation cry, “Glory to the Lord on high!”
Heaven and earth, awake and sing, “Praise to our almighty King!”
Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;
sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.
Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word,
those to whom the arts belong add voices to the song.
Powers of knowledge and of law to the glorious circle draw;
all who work and all who wait, sing, “The Lord is good and great!”
Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold,
and let children’s happy hearts in this worship take their parts;
from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll:
“Holy, holy, holy One; glory be to God alone!”*

*Offertory Response The Hymnal, 717

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

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

Holy God, we bring these gifts to you today, humbly asking for you to open up our hearts and minds as well. Open our hearts with your spirit of generosity. Open our minds with your spirit of compassion. Open our lives that we may be an example of what it means to love and serve, inspired by Jesus’ boundless love and by the Holy Spirit’s presence. Bless all of the offerings that we bring this day, and may you use them for your life-giving work. We pray all of this in Christ’s name. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

***Hymn 4** “Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord!”

All apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow,
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name you,
while in essence only one; undivided God we claim you,
and adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude = Piece Heroique. C. Franck

*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.*

Baptized in Today’s Service
Brooks Matthew Humber, child of Griffin and Elyse Humber
Bastian Matthew Schubert, child of Luke and Alin Schubert



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.



Although wearing a mask is not required at Fourth Church, we as a community have made a commitment to be **a mask-welcoming campus**, encouraging the wearing of masks by anyone who wants or needs to wear one. With the COVID risk level in Chicago increased to “high,” we are going a step further to **not just encourage but to recommend** (*though not require*) **that individuals wear masks while on campus**. This is consistent with city health officials recommending that—in light of the “high risk” level—individuals wear masks indoors when they are not certain of the vaccination status of others present. As a mask-welcoming—and now recommending—campus, we also remain committed to **ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at Fourth Church**. ✧ Since some populations are more vulnerable to COVID-19 than others, some programs on our campus choose to require masks. ✧ Additionally, while we are continuing our practice of not checking vaccination status, **anyone coming on site certifies** by doing so that (a) they do not currently have COVID-19; (b) they are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) they have no reason to quarantine; and (d) they will wear a mask and practice social distancing if they are not vaccinated against COVID-19. ✧ In the Sanctuary, the **front section on the pulpit side is for those required to or choosing to practice social distancing, and everyone sitting in that section is required to wear a mask**. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating.



For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we livestream our morning service at 10:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), where the service is also available for viewing afterwards. ✧ **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.

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

If you like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and at 4:00 p.m. for our Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel. ✨ On Sundays the **doors open for worship** a half hour prior to the service. 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 to the Gratz Center. ✨ **Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 for 6 hours between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (*and \$18 for up to 12 hours*) 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. ✨ **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.



Following worship, 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. ✨ We also gather on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom** and at 10:00 a.m. for **in-person Morning Prayer** in Buchanan Chapel. The chapel is open for **opportunity to walk the labyrinth** between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays and between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org). ✨ A **Sacred Pause time of meditation** is hosted virtually by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing ✨ We invite you to use our **daily devotions**, written by members and staff, as a resource for **meditation and reflection**. These devotions are posted at www.fourthchurch.org/devotions; to receive the meditations daily via email, simply subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions ✨ Also available for your reflection is our **June “Rhythm and Word” video series** on the **fruit of the Spirit**. These brief worship experiences, which weave together scripture, prayer, and music, are released on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) on June Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. To receive them by email, sign up online at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail ✨ During the week we make the 10:00 a.m. Sunday **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes as well as Spotify (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast). ✨ You can also receive the previous Sunday’s **sermon text by email** by subscribing at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons



In the pew racks you will find a **Connection Card, which we invite you to fill out** and place in the offering plate. It provides opportunity for you to let us know in what ways you would like to connect with Fourth Church, to update your contact information, and to share prayer concerns.

Those worshipping with us in person are invited to **greet one another during Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall or the Commons** following worship. ✨ **Books by Women** will meet via Zoom this week to discuss ***Girl, Woman, Other*** by Bernadine Evaristo on Tuesday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m. ✨ **Knitting and Crocheting** meets via Zoom on Tuesday, June 28 at 4:00 p.m. For Zoom details for either gathering, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). ✨ **Women at Fourth** will gather in person on Thursday, June 23 at 5:30 p.m. for **“Paint and Sip,”** a time of fellowship and instruction in creating individual paintings. Register (*space is limited*) at www.bit.ly/waf62022



To help us continue to **shape meaningful connections for the many who are engaging with us online**, we would appreciate your responses to **a brief survey** at www.bit.ly/fpconline2022



The Sunday morning class exploring **Barbara Brown Taylor’s book *The Luminous Web***—which looks at the dialogue between science and faith—continues today at 11:15 a.m. in person and via Zoom. For details about this class, led by Lucy Forster-Smith and Jim Ford, register at www.bit.ly/luminousweb22 ✨ **Men’s Bible Study** meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study**—which offers two Zoom gathering times (12:00 and 6:30 p.m.) on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month—next meets on Wednesday, June 22 to begin a discussion about **practicing spiritual disciplines**. For Zoom details about the Bible studies or Books by Women gatherings, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).



Those **graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program** in 2022 are asked to email their names to Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org) **no later than next Sunday, June 19**. Graduate names received by June 19 will appear in the worship bulletin on June 26, which is **Baccalaureate Sunday** at Fourth Church. ✨ Fourth Church Day School is currently accepting **applications for fall enrollment** in our half-day **preschool programs**. For more information and an application, please contact Director Kathy Hager (312.640.2579).



For additional resources and ways to connect with Fourth Church and one another, watch our **website** (www.fourthchurch.org) and **Facebook** (facebook.com/fourthchurch). ✨ Online events are posted on our **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at fourthchurch.org/calendar

The World Mission and Social Justice Council of Fourth Church is seeking volunteers to **assist sponsored refugee families** coming from conflict areas around the world. Also needed will be items to help these families settle into a new home. **Those who are interested in helping** are asked to email refugeeproject@fourthchurch.org ✨ The **Chicago Lights Social Service Center is in need** of the following items, either new or gently used: adult-sized backpacks; men's jeans and casual pants (*34–42 waist*); men's belts; men's underwear (*L, XL, 2XL*); men's tennis shoes (*sizes 10–14*). Donations can be dropped off at the church reception desk (*enter via the Chestnut Street doors*). For more information, email Lynn Milligan (lmilligan@chicagolights.org).



For those facing life's challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. To have a one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks, 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. ✨ To **talk to a pastor** or **notify the pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org; if the situation is an emergency or requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ✨ To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org



Shannon Kershner is on sabbatical and will return August 15. During Shannon's time away, Lucy Forster-Smith, Senior Associate Pastor, is serving as Head of Staff. ✨ Thirty-two travelers from Fourth Church and Community Presbyterian Church in Clarendon Hills are currently **visiting the Middle East**. Twenty of those individuals make up the Touring Choir, led by John Sherer. They are joined by Nanette Sawyer and others for this opportunity to learn about the history and culture of the Middle East region. In addition to sharing the gift of music in concerts and worship services, the group also is enjoying opportunity to be in conversation with those living in Israel, Palestine, and Jordan. **Please keep these travelers in your prayers** as they continue to learn from and share fellowship with our siblings in the Middle East.

As we return to more on-site programming, Fourth Church and Chicago Lights have implemented a new safety and security practice: **anyone present on the Fourth Church campus is required to wear a campus badge while on site**, *except on Sundays and for other worship opportunities, concerts, and Meals Ministry meals*. Anyone who does not already have a campus badge (*except for those exceptions noted above*) will be asked to pick up a single-day badge at the 126 E. Chestnut reception desk.

Reusable badges are being issued by some programs with regular, ongoing weekly programming, such as Chancel Choir. These reusable badges are only available from the staff of those programs, not from the reception desk. Anyone who does not bring their reusable campus badge is able to pick up a single-day badge.

To facilitate this process—as well as for safety and security reasons—**all access to the building is through the 126 E. Chestnut entrance only**, *except on Sundays and for other worship opportunities, concerts, and Meals Ministry meals*. Our ongoing commitment to the safety and security of all on our campus undergirds this practice, which was been under discussion since prior to the pandemic. (*Implementation was set aside while the campus was largely closed.*)

The campus badges and single-entry access point were strongly encouraged by our safety and security consultants and advisors and are also consistent with practices at other large, spread-out, multi-use buildings with spaces and uses like ours. They enable us to know who is in the building throughout the day. (*Previous unlimited access has at times resulted in unknown individuals hiding in corners of the campus.*) They also ensure that should we ever have to evacuate the buildings, we will know who was on site and needs to be accounted for.

As a congregation, **we value radical hospitality and welcome for all**, and we believe one expression of that is our care for the well-being of those who are present with us. **This safety and security practice is but one expression of that**. For those who will be joining us on site as programming on campus continues to expand, we look forward to seeing you!

Worship Leaders

Joseph L. Morrow, Robert Crouch, Matt Helms, Lucy Forster-Smith

The Music Today

Men's Choir

David Schrader, Guest Organist

Worship Notes

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.

THIS MORNING WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME GUEST ORGANIST DAVID SCHRADER, an internationally known concert organist and former organist of Church of the Ascension in Chicago. Fourth Church Organist John Sherer is leading music on the Fourth Church choir tour to the Middle East and our Organ Scholar Michael Rees is participating in a choir tour to France.

OFFERING GIFTS TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRY AND MISSION of Fourth Church can be placed in one of the offering plates at the time of the offering or, after the service, 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 (or via the "To Make a Gift" button at www.fourthchurch.org).

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