



Trinity Sunday

## We Approach God

### Gathering Music

### Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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

*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** . . . . . “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

*Refrain:* Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free.  
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing,  
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.” (*Refrain*)

You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand;  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land.  
When they were confounded with idols and lies,  
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. (*Refrain*)

You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill;  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still.  
And down in the city, you called once again  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. (*Refrain*)

You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes;  
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams.  
Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your people arise. (*Refrain*)

**We Tell the Truth about Ourselves**

**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.**

**God Forgives and Blesses Us**

Friends, believe the good news!  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Psalter** ..... Psalm 8

**ANTIPHON:** *O God our sovereign, how great is your name in all the earth.*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—  
you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;  
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

**ANTIPHON**

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,  
human beings that you should care for them?

**ANTIPHON**

Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.  
You have made them rule over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,  
the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

**ANTIPHON**

**Song** ..... “Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”

*Refrain:* Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. *(Refrain)*  
Spread the good news o’er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen. *(Refrain)*  
We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. *(Refrain)*  
Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior. *(Refrain)*

**Scripture Lesson** ..... John 16:12–15

**Sermon** ..... *Lucy Forster-Smith*

**Musical Reflection**

**Gloria**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

## **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 Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **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**

#### **Prayer after Communion**

## **We Offer Ourselves**

### **Call for Offering**

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

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.

## **We Go Out with Gratitude**

### **\*Closing Song** . . . . . "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;  
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King; all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh. Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,  
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh. Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame;  
the baptism of the heaven-descended Dove, my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

### **\*Benediction**

#### **Sending Music**

## Worship Leaders

**Lucy Forster-Smith** Senior Associate Pastor

**Joseph L. Morrow** Associate Pastor

**The Fourth Church Jazz Quartet**

## Worship Notes

### **Baptized in today's service**

Tara Katherine Tincknell

Rex Liam Tincknell, child of Timothy and Tara Tincknell

**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.

**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.

**Offering gifts to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church** can be placed in the offering plate at the time of the offering or, after the service, in the offering box at the exit from the Chapel. 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 at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)).

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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 Presbyterian 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. Now 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 still choose to require masks. \* Additionally, we are continuing our practice of not checking vaccination status, but **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.



If you would like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather on Sundays for a **10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary** and the **4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel**. \* **Worship in the Chapel can be heard** through hearing aids' "T" or "T-coil" setting. \* **Please** silence electronic devices when in the Chapel. \* The **doors open for worship** on Sundays a half hour before each service. For the 4:00 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). Validation tickets for the garage must be picked up from an usher. \* **For those who prefer to worship online** or are unable to join us in person, we livestream our morning service on our YouTube channel ([www.bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)).



Fourth Church offers a variety of ways to **connect with one another**. Online and in-person events are posted on **our church calendar**, accessible from our website's home page and at [www.fourthchurch.org/calendar](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calendar) \* For **resources** as well as additional ways to connect with the church and one another, watch our website ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) and Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)).

**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)**

We invite you to use our **daily devotions as a resource for personal meditation and reflection**. Subscribe at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) to receive the meditations daily via email. \* 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](http://www.bit.ly/fpcvideos)) on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. To receive them by email, sign up online at [www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail](http://www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail) \* On Wednesdays we gather for **Morning Prayer via Zoom** at 9:30 a.m. and for **in-person Morning Prayer** at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel. The chapel is also 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 or information about walking the labyrinth, email Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.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](mailto: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](mailto:caringministries@fourthchurch.org)



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](http://www.bit.ly/fpconline2022) \* **Shannon Kershner is on sabbatical** and will return August 15. While she is away, Lucy Forster-Smith is acting Head of Staff. \* The **Chicago Lights Social Service Center** is in need of the following items, either new or gently used: men’s pants (34–42 waist) and belts; men’s underwear (L, XL, 2XL); men’s tennis shoes (sizes 10–14); and adult-sized backpacks. Donations can be dropped off at the church reception desk. \* 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](mailto:refugeeproject@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](mailto:rsupinger@fourthchurch.org)) no later than next Sunday, June 19. Graduate names received by June 19 will appear in the worship bulletin on Sunday, 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).



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