



# Fourth Presbyterian Church

World Communion Sunday  
October 2, 2022 • 10:00 a.m.

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness . . . . . Johann Sebastian Bach  
Siciliano for a High Ceremony. . . . . Herbert Howells

### Introit

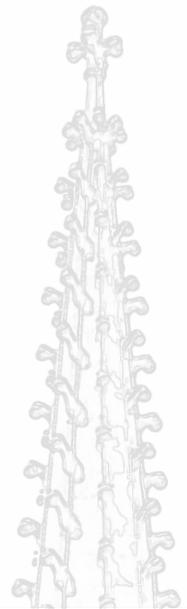
“Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life” . . . . . Richard DeLong  
*Come, my way, my truth, my life; such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife,  
such a life as killeth death. Come, my light, my feast, my strength; such a light as shows a feast,  
such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my joy, my love, my  
heart; such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.*

### \*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: *Raise your voices, people of God.*  
People: **Let us sing of the Lord’s steadfast love and faithfulness.**  
Leader: *Let us rejoice that we are God’s beloved,*  
People: **instruments of grace and healing,**  
Leader: *the fruit of holy labors,*  
People: **bearers of promises made for all generations.**  
Leader: *As a covenantal people, let us worship God.*



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

**\*Hymn 525** . . . . . “Let Us Break Bread Together”

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)  
let us break bread together on our knees.

*Refrain:*

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)  
let us drink wine together on our knees. (*Refrain*)

Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)  
let us praise God together on our knees. (*Refrain*)

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

Holy One, your steadfast love testifies to your abiding presence with us.

But we have not always kept good company with you.

We fail to return your faithfulness as we cling more tightly

to what we regard as our own rather than trust in your abundance.

We fail to return your love as we narrow our care to those who look or believe as we do.

Forgive us who have abandoned the cause of the suffering

and called attention to our own power.

Let your grace renew us in thought and action,

that we might be faithful to your mission to redeem and repair the world. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon**

Leader: *Friends, believe the good news:*

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Welcome and Announcements**

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## Listening for the Word

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### Prayer for Illumination

**Psalter** . . . . . Psalm 137

### \*Gloria Patri

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

**Scripture Lesson** . . . . . Luke 17:5–10

**Sermon** . . . . . Shannon J. Kershner

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## Responding to the Word

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**\*Hymn 524** . . . . . “The Rice of Life”

The rice of life from heaven came  
to bring true life from God above.  
Receive this gift; God’s mercy claim;  
in joy and pain give thanks for love.

True rice the hungry world has fed,  
the rice required for life below.  
Provide this gift; God’s mercy spread;  
in weakness God’s compassion show.

The rice of God for all is meant;  
no one who comes is turned away.  
Believe in Christ whom God has sent;  
in humble trust God’s will obey.

The living rice, for all a sign,  
came down eternal life to give.  
Abide in Christ, the living vine;  
in Christ, with people die and live.

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<sup>†</sup>Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

**\*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.

**Offering**

**Offertory Anthem** :: "Jubilate Deo" . . . . . Hans Leo Hassler

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness;  
come into God's presence with singing. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us,  
and we are his; we are God's people and the sheep of his pasture.*

**\*Offertory Response** . . . . . The Hymnal, 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## Sealing the Word

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### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### Invitation

#### Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Leader: *The Lord be with you.*

People: And also with you.

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: We will lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: *Let us give thanks to God.*

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### Prayer

Leader: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .*

*. . . forever singing to the glory of your name:*

**Sanctus** (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 552

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, hosanna in the highest.

*Leader: . . . Great is the mystery of faith:*

**Memorial Acclamation** (*sung*) . . . . . The Hymnal, 553

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

#### 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

### Communion Anthems

“Heilig” . . . . . Felix Mendelssohn

*Holy, holy, holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! The earth is full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

“Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied” . . . . . F. Mendelssohn

*Sing to the Lord a new song for God has done marvelous things. God’s right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory. The Lord has made known his victory; God has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. God has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre and with the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord. Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for God is coming to judge the earth. God will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.*

### Psalm 23 (unison)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want;  
    he maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
    he leadeth me beside the still waters; he restoreth my soul.  
He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
    I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;  
    thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;  
    thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
    and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**Prayer after Communion** (*unison*)

God of abundance,  
with this bread of life and cup of salvation  
you have united us with Christ,  
making us one with all your people.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

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Bearing the Word into the World

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**\*Hymn 526** . . . . . “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken; the wine is poured; Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

*Refrain:*

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again;  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
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Christ is able to make us one; at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. (*Refrain*)

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! (*Refrain*)

**\*Charge and Benediction**

*Worshippers who wish to do so are invited to sing along with the choir during the Benediction responses.*

**Postlude** :: Tuba Tune . . . . . Norman Cocker

*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.*



**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. As a mask-welcoming campus, we remain committed to **ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at Fourth Church.**

✳ 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](http://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.



During the week we make the 10:00 a.m. Sunday **service and sermon available via podcast** on iTunes and Spotify ([www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast](http://www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast)). ✳ You can also receive the previous Sunday’s **sermon text by email** by subscribing online at [www.bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://www.bit.ly/fpcsermons) ✳ We also invite you to use our **daily devotions**, written by members and staff, as a resource for **reflection**. These devotions are posted at [fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://fourthchurch.org/devotions); to receive them via email, subscribe at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) ✳ For additional biblical exploration, listen in as Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger discuss the **“Bible Top Ten”** in their **podcast** by that title ([fourthchurch.org/podcast](http://fourthchurch.org/podcast)), with new episodes released every other Tuesday.

**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)

If you would 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. ✨ **Next Sunday, October 9 is the day of the Chicago Marathon.** Directions on the **easiest routes for getting to Fourth Church** that morning can be found online ([www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf](http://www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf)). ✨ 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. ✨ During the morning service **nursery care** is available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center. ✨ **Worship can be heard** in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the “T” or “T-coil” setting of hearing aids. ✨ Please silence **electronic devices** during worship.



Following worship, a **pipe organ tour** begins at 11:15 a.m. at the front of the Sanctuary ✨ Also 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. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)). ✨ The Chapel is open for **opportunity to walk the labyrinth** between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. For information about the labyrinth, email Rocky Supinger ([rsupinger@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rsupinger@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](https://facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing)



Shannon Kershner will preach on the theme of **recommitment to self and others** on Yom Kippur, this Wednesday, October 5 at 11:00 a.m. as part of the interfaith **Beloved Community High Holy Day Experience** at Trinity United Church of Christ (*400 W. 95th St.*). For a schedule or to register to attend, see [www.open.judaism.org/highholydays](http://www.open.judaism.org/highholydays) ✨ **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, October 12. For Zoom details for Bible studies, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).

We ask that those worshipping with us in person **take a moment to sign the pew information pads** so that we might know you are here. Then please pass the pad down your pew so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name. ✨ Those worshipping in person are also invited to **greet one another during Coffee Hour** in Anderson Hall and the Commons following the service. ✨ **For additional ways to connect** with one another and Fourth Church, whether in person or online, as well as for various **resources**, watch our **website** ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) and **Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)). ✨ 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 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 **talk to a pastor** or **notify the pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, 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)



**LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome** will gather for brunch today following 10:00 a.m. worship, with all who would like to join meeting at the church reception desk to walk together to a nearby restaurant. ✨ **New Zoom Small Groups** are starting again this month. If you would like to connect with five to seven other people via Zoom for a time of fellowship, relationship building, and spiritual formation or would like more information about small group opportunities, please email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)) ✨ The **Knitting and Crocheting group** meets this Tuesday, October 4 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5B. ✨ The Choral Society is looking for more **individuals who like to sing** to join in performing **Mahler's Second Symphony "Resurrection"** with organist David Briggs on Friday, November 11. Weekly rehearsals will begin this Thursday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. ✨ **Cornerstones**, a fellowship group for those fifty and over, meets for dinner and a program this Friday, October 7 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Members of Fourth Church's Racial Equity Council and Joe Morrow will talk about their experiences on the **Est. 1619 Pilgrimage** to Charleston, South Carolina. Register (*required*) for the gathering at [www.bit.ly/cfpc1022](http://www.bit.ly/cfpc1022) ✨ **Books by Women** will meet on Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss **The Personal Librarian** by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

**Today is World Communion Sunday**, a day when worshipers around the world gather for the Lord's Supper, enacting the words of the hymn "Come, Risen Lord": "One church united in communion blest; one name we bear, one bread of life we break." ✨ This Sunday reminds us that God's love can heal our deepest divisions, and so each World Communion Sunday we receive a **Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering**. Gifts designated to this offering will be directed to efforts toward peacemaking that are supported by the Presbyterian Church (USA) as well as local efforts to **address violence in Chicago**. These gifts can be made at [www.fourthchurch.org/give-online](http://www.fourthchurch.org/give-online); by a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, with "Peace Offering" in the memo line; or by using the Peacemaking envelopes in the pew racks. ✨ Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is delivering **aid to those impacted by recent hurricanes**; these outreach efforts will continue, providing emotional and spiritual care as well as long-term recovery assistance. To support the work of PDA in responding to the damage caused by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian and in remaining engaged during the hurricane season, you can make a gift to PDA at [www.bit.ly/pdahurricane](http://www.bit.ly/pdahurricane)



**Our 2023 stewardship campaign** invites all of us to pledge our support for the life-giving mission and ministry of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. Please plan to submit your 2023 pledge—which you can make at [www.bit.ly/fpcclpledge](http://www.bit.ly/fpcclpledge)—by Commitment Sunday, October 30, when we celebrate all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives.



The **First Tuesday Book Club** invites you to join them via Zoom this Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m. for a conversation about ***Tears We Cannot Stop*** by Michael Eric Dyson. Register at [www.bit.ly/firsttuesday1022](http://www.bit.ly/firsttuesday1022) for details. ✨ **Adult education classes** meet in Borwell Dining Room today: "**Ukraine and the Orthodox Church**" at 9:00 a.m. and "**Sound of the Genuine**" at 11:15 a.m. ✨ On Tuesday, October 18 we will be hosting a Michigan Avenue Forum: "**The 1619 Project Revisited: Race, History, and the Future—A Conversation with Nikole Hannah-Jones and Natalie Moore.**" This 7:00 p.m. program in the Sanctuary (*which will also be livestreamed on YouTube*) will feature Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author of the *New York Times*' 1619 Project, Nikole Hannah-Jones, together with WBEZ's Natalie Moore.



**Tutors are needed** on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evenings to partner with Chicago Lights Tutoring students. For details, contact Mark Dennison ([mdennison@chicagolights.org](mailto:mdennison@chicagolights.org)). ✨ To **help tie purple ribbons** on the Michigan Avenue fence this Tuesday, October 4 as part of our observance of **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, email [scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)

## Worship Leaders

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Joseph L. Morrow, Brad Pierce, Rocky Supinger, Shannon J. Kershner

## The Music Today

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The Chancel and Morning Choirs

Michael Rees, Organ Scholar

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

## Worship Notes

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THE ANTHEMS BY HANS LEO HASSLER (1564–1612) AND FELIX MENDELSSOHN (1809–1847) in this morning's service were intended to be sung by two choirs from different locations. To honor this tradition, the Morning Choir will be singing from the North Balcony and the Chancel Choir will be singing from the South Balcony. Anyone interested in joining the Chancel Choir is encouraged to contact John Sherer ([jsherer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jsherer@fourthchurch.org)).

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](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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