



Easter Sunrise Service

April 9, 2023 • 6:30 a.m. • Oak Street Beach

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE AT DELAWARE PLACE

A special word of welcome to all who are worshiping with us this morning! For more information about Fourth Presbyterian Church, please contact Matt Helms (312.573.3362; mhelms@fourthchurch.org).

We invite you to worship with us again!

Sundays

10:00 a.m. | In person and livestreamed

(Today's Easter Sunday services are at **9:00** and **11:00** a.m. in person; 9:00 a.m. livestreamed)

4:00 p.m. | Jazz Service with Communion | In person only

Participating in This Service

ROCKY SUPINGER, *Associate Pastor*

MATT HELMS, *Associate Pastor*

COLE SEATON, *Soloist*

MEMBERS OF TOWER BRASS, *Fourth Church's brass ensemble*

CHARLES SCHUCHAT, *Artistic Director of Tower Brass*

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PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: **Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: God has given us new hope and new life.

All: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: This is the day our Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it!

All: **Alleluia! Amen!**

HYMN "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, on this Easter morning we profess that your transcendent love rises above the power of sin and death—
but we confess that far too often we do not reflect that love in our lives.
We overlook the poor and hungry in our midst and neglect those who mourn;
we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to the call for peace;
we trample the weak and abuse the earth you made.
Forgive us, God of mercy.
Help us to trust in your power to transform our lives and make us new,
that we may truly know and share the joy of life abundant
given to us in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all!

All: **And also with you!**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 28:1–10

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON..... Rocky Supinger

HYMN “Christ Is Alive!”

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching every place and time.

In every insult, rift, and war
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.

Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION AND THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy
to give you thanks and praise. . . .

Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

In deep gratitude for this sacred meal, O Lord,
we receive Christ's redemptive love
and commit ourselves to live a new life in him.
As we have broken bread and shared it with one another,
help us to see and serve Christ in all whose lives are broken.
As we have gathered around the cup,
help knit us together as your people,
and send us out in the power of your spirit to proclaim your glory.
Amen.

HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"

"Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia!
All creation, join to say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!
Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!
Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!
Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia!
Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia!
Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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- *Gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering can be given to greeters as you leave today* •

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

supports the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Hunger, and Self-Development of People programs; Fourth Church Meals Ministry; and Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center.

Gifts can also be made online at www.fourthchurch.org/give or by using Venmo.

An Invitation from Fourth Presbyterian Church

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 Wednesdays we gather 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). ✨ The chapel is open between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays for opportunity to **walk the labyrinth**. For labyrinth information, email Rocky Supinger (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

Devotions for the Easter season, written by Fourth Church members and staff, are available daily via email (*sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions*); at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as online at www.fourthchurch.org ✨ Our **Easter "Rhythm and Word" video series** begins Wednesday, April 12. These brief videos (*approximately 10 minutes each*) will be available on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), with a new one released each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. To receive them by email, sign up at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail

For more information about these and other resources and opportunities available to you at Fourth Church, both in person and online, visit fourthchurch.org or facebook.com/fourthchurch or follow us on Instagram (instagram.com/fourthchurch) or Twitter (@FourthChicago). ✨ Online events are posted on our **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at fourthchurch.org/calendar
