



# Fourth Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024 • 10:00 a.m.

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Prelude, Fugue, and Variation . . . . . César Franck  
In Quiet Mood . . . . . Florence Price

### Introit

“Guide Us, O Thou Great Jehovah” . . . . . John Hughes/arr. Andrew Hawryluk  
*Guide us, O thou great Jehovah, guide us to the promised land. We are weak, but thou art able; hold us with thy powerful hand. Holy Spirit, feed us till the Savior comes. Open, Jesus, Zion’s fountains; let her richest blessings come. Let the fiery, cloudy pillar guide us to this holy home. Great Redeemer, bring, O bring the welcome day! When the earth begins to tremble, bid our fearful thoughts be still; when thy judgments spread destruction, keep us safe on Zion’s hill. Singing praises, songs of glory unto thee.*

### \*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

*One: The Lord is the everlasting God, creator of the ends of the earth.  
All: God does not faint or grow weary; God’s understanding is unsearchable.  
One: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength.  
All: Let us worship God together.*



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

**\*Hymn 771** . . . . . “What Is the World Like”

What is the world like when God’s will is done?

Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive;  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?

Witness the wandering child coming home;  
watch as the parent breaks into a run.  
This is how God longs for us when we roam.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?

No more is neighbor just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.

What is the world like when God’s will is done?

Ready for feasting, we watch through the night,  
tending our lamps till the new day’s begun.  
This is how God readies us for the light.

These are the stories that Jesus imparts,

filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God’s will is done.

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

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,

we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong.

We have lived for ourselves and apart from you.

We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others.

We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor,  
and the oppressed.

In your great mercy, forgive us and free us from selfishness,

that we may choose your will and follow your way;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Declaration of Pardon**

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

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Leader: *The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*  
People: And also with you.  
*We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ,” and encourage those online to use this time to share your presence with us, using the online form.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Anthem**

“Come Sing to Me of Heaven” . . . . . J. Aaron McDermid  
*Come sing to me of heaven, when I am called to die. Sing songs of holy ecstasy to waft my soul on high. When the last moment comes, let one sweet song begin. Let music cheer me last on earth; to greet me first in heaven. Come sing to me of heaven when I am called to die.*

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**Listening for the Word**

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**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson** . . . . . Isaiah 40:28–31

One: *The Word of God for the people of God.*  
All: Thanks be to God.

**\*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** . . . . . Luke 15:25–32

One: *The grass withers, and the flower fades,*  
All: but the word of our God shall stand forever.

**Sermon**

It Can Be a Hard Word to Say . . . . . Tom Are Jr.

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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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**\*Hymn 339** . . . . . “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty.  
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
let us march on, till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
felt in the days when hope unborn had died.  
Yet, with a steady beat, have not our weary feet  
come to the place for which our parents sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;  
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;  
shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*). . . . . from the Confession of 1967

God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family.  
In reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between sisters and brothers  
and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference,  
real or imaginary.  
The church is called to bring all people to receive and uphold one another  
as persons in all relationships of life.  
Therefore, the church labors for the abolition of all racial discrimination  
and ministers to those injured by it.  
Congregations, individuals, or groups of Christians who exclude, dominate,  
or patronize others, however subtly, resist the Spirit of God  
and bring contempt on the faith which they profess.  
God's reconciliation in Jesus Christ is the ground of the peace, justice, and freedom  
among nations which all powers of government are called to serve and defend.

**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.

**Offering**

**Offertory Anthem**

“The Holy Wings” . . . . . Swedish folk song/arr. Aaron David Miller  
*Thy holy wings, O Savior, spread gently over me, and let me rest securely through good and ill in thee. O be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place, and let my every moment be lived within thy grace. O let me nestle near thee, within thy downy breast where I will find sweet comfort and peace within thy nest. O close thy wings around me and keep me safely there, for I am but a newborn and need thy tender care. O wash me in the waters of Noah's cleansing flood. Give me a willing spirit, a heart both clean and good. O take into thy keeping thy children great and small, and while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.*

**\*Offertory Response** . . . . . Hymn 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**

Holy God, you are always with us, and everything we have is yours.  
Take these gifts, and guide us to use them to do your will and your work. Amen.

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**Bearing the Word into the World**

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**\*Hymn 853** . . . . . “We Are Marching in the Light of God”

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.  
We are dancing in the light of God; we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing in the light of God; we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are praying in the light of God; we are praying in the light of God.  
We are praying in the light of God; we are praying in the light of God.  
We are singing in the light of God; we are singing in the light of God.  
We are singing in the light of God; we are singing in the light of God.

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

Improvisation on “We Shall Overcome” . . . . . African American spiritual  
arr. Carl Haywood

***About Today’s Sermon***

Next week we will turn to the story of the prodigal son, but today we consider the elder brother. He was the “good son.” He was also lonely. Many people are lonely, but his loneliness was self-imposed. He probably thought it was worth the cost not to associate with his shameful brother. But he was wrong.

# Commemorating and Celebrating Juneteenth

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**Fourth Presbyterian Church's Racial Equity Council invites the whole congregation to embrace and join in the commemoration and celebration of Juneteenth.**

**Juneteenth is a time for celebration.** Many people celebrate with family reunions and backyard parties. Many cities hold street fairs with music and dancing. Museums have special exhibits. The Racial Equity Council invites everyone to mark this holiday in their own way, which could be by visiting the websites of museums to learn more about African American history or by shopping at Black-owned businesses. The DuSable Black History Museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, and the International African American Museum are three good places to start. Links for two Chicago Juneteenth events being held on Wednesday, June 19 are also listed here:

- The DuSable Museum Juneteenth Celebration, honoring Black creativity and expression, with live performances, food, shopping, exhibits and much more, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 19 at 740 E. 56th Place. Details: [www.dusablemuseum.org](http://www.dusablemuseum.org)
- Juneteenth Freedom Market, an all-ages celebration of Black creativity and entrepreneurship, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. June 19, Free (\$10 donations appreciated) at The Salt Shed, 1357 Elston Ave. [qrco.de/salt-shed](http://qrco.de/salt-shed)
- To support minority-owned businesses, peruse the vendors on Refine Collective: [www.refinecltv.com](http://www.refinecltv.com)

**Juneteenth is also a time of reflection.** To widen and deepen the celebration of this day by all members of Fourth Church, the Racial Equity Council presents this brief history and context:

**Though the Emancipation Proclamation was issued January 1, 1863,** it was not until more than two years later that the people of Texas, the most remote state of the former Confederacy, first learned of freedom for enslaved people, which they did when Union soldiers, following the end of the Civil War, traveled to Galveston where the pronouncement was publicly read on June 19, 1865. Celebrations of Juneteenth started in Texas, which declared Juneteenth a state holiday starting in 1980. By 2019, forty-seven states recognized Juneteenth, and it became a federal holiday in 2021.

**In the immediate post-Civil War era, there was much hope** that the formerly enslaved people would finally have peaceful and free lives. Families tried to reunite. The granting of land by the federal government promised to provide a means to live, and African American men were given the right to vote. During Reconstruction, 16 African Americans were elected to the U.S. Congress, 600 to state legislatures, and hundreds more to local offices. However, the backlash against these changes was swift, widespread, and ruthless. The land grants were taken back within a year. African Americans were depicted as little more than savages while Ku Klux Klansmen were depicted as saviors, as famously portrayed in the 1915 film *The Birth of a Nation*. Lynchings, Black Codes, and Jim Crow laws that only applied or were only enforced against Black people kept the formerly enslaved people subservient.

**Fourth Presbyterian Church is committed to racial equity, the purposeful inclusion of all people, the striving for radical hospitality, and the modeling of anti-racism.** As we strive to be an anti-racist church, our observance of Juneteenth comes with the sobering recognition that racism is still a powerful force in our country. Persistent and pervasive racist practices have created social injustices that have enduring repercussions in our society. Extensive racial property covenants in existence during the lifetimes of many of our members have left a legacy of profound segregation in our city that is visible to all today. Throughout our nation there is an increase of voter suppression laws, disproportionate incarceration and more severe sentencing of Black people, violent policing in Black and Brown neighborhoods, and unequal application of medical support and health care for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). In the face of all these things, Fourth Church remains committed to anti-racism.

**Anti-racism goes beyond diversity; it is a spiritual practice of self-reflection that examines how we individually live out the truth that God created humanity in God's own image.** This Juneteenth, let us redouble our efforts at building unity, mutual care and compassion, honoring our shared identity as children of God, and celebrating the gift of our exuberant diversity.



## You belong here!

This may be your first time in worship at Fourth Presbyterian Church, or perhaps you worship here so often you call Fourth Church “home”; in either case, **we are grateful for your presence** today. Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone—without exception—into the life of this congregation. No matter where you may be in your faith journey, no matter what questions or burdens you may bring to this place, we take seriously that God loves everyone, so you belong here.

Every Sunday we read the old biblical stories and sing hymns (some of which our grandparents sang), while also engaging the world we live in this minute through liturgy, prayers, and sermons. **By connecting the story of our lives to the story of Christ’s life**, we discover hope and even joy, and are inspired to reflect the light of Christ to the city.

**If you are new to us**, stick around after worship. Join us for Coffee Hour, or speak to one of our pastors. We have many programs to expand your spirit and enrich your life. We would love to tell you more. **Give us a try; soon you too might be calling Fourth Church “home.”**

## Worshiping in Person at Fourth Church

Each Sunday our worshiping body is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews. If you like to worship with us in person, **throughout the summer we gather on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**

### Entering the building

A half hour prior to each service the doors open for worship, with three fully accessible entrances, without steps, that lead to the Sanctuary: on Michigan Avenue, through the glass Loggia doors (*between the courtyard and the main Sanctuary doors*) as well as at 126 E. Chestnut—where the reception desk is located—and 115 E. Delaware.

### Sound

- Worship can be heard through “T” or “T-coil” settings of hearing aids.
- Please silence electronic devices during worship.

### Parking

Sunday parking is available at 900 N. Michigan (*access from Rush or Walton*) at the rate of \$9 for 6 hours (*and \$18 for up to 12 hours*) and at the Hancock garage (*875 N. Michigan, enter from Delaware or Chestnut*) for \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from ushers.



## Worshipping Online

We livestream our 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services on our YouTube channel: [bit.ly/fpcvideos](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos)

### Accessing the services

Worship can be viewed anytime after the services begin. For tips on how to watch—from the beginning—a service that is already in progress, see [fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning](https://fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning)

### Online extras

Links to make an online offering gift, view or print the worship bulletin, and more can be found in the descriptive text below the worship video (*after exiting full screen*) as well as on our website.

### For those without Internet

Those without Internet access are invited to listen via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at 10:00 a.m.

## Let Us Know You're Here

We are grateful to be worshipping with you today and would welcome knowing you are here. Please take a moment to fill out the information form.

### In person

Those worshipping with us in person are asked to add their names to the information pads in the pews, passing them down the row so worshipers have opportunity to greet one another by name following the service. If your contact information has changed, please indicate that too.

### Online

Those worshipping via livestream will find a link to the online form included in the descriptive text below the video (*after exiting full-screen view*); a QR code is also displayed during the “Welcome” that can be scanned with a phone camera to take you to the form.

## Children in Worship

### Children in worship

Children are always welcome in worship! If you need to step out to comfort your child, the Hospitality Suite, on the second floor, is a quiet space for families where worship is livestreamed.

### Nursery care

During the morning service nursery care is available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center for infants through two-year-olds.

## Sunday Opportunities

### Sunday school

Summer Sunday school meets at 10:00 a.m. in Room 4D for three-year-olds through fifth graders.

### An invitation to Coffee Hour

If you are worshipping with us in person, please stop by Anderson Hall for Coffee Hour following the service. There you will find opportunity to greet one another and learn about ways to connect with each other and with Fourth Church.

### Praying with a Deacon

If you would like to offer individual prayers of praise or concern with a Deacon today, you are invited to do so in Stone Chapel (*through the door to the right of the pulpit*) following worship.

### Pipe organ tour

Following the 10:00 service a pipe organ tour begins at the front of the Sanctuary

### Afternoon worship service

We invite you to join us for The Gathering: Communion at 2:00, a casual, intimate service. Beena David and the Gathering Ensemble lead our music; Nancy Benson-Nicol will be preaching.

## Prayer, Reflection, and Meditation

### Reflecting on a season of renewal

This summer we invite you to pause midweek to reflect on the theme of renewal, as explored by Rocky Supinger and the Gathering musicians in our June “Rhythm and Word” videos. These ten minutes of music, scripture, and prayer are released on Wednesdays. To receive them in your inbox, sign up at [bit.ly/rhythmmandword](http://bit.ly/rhythmmandword); to receive notice of them via YouTube, subscribe to our channel: [bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://bit.ly/fpcvideos)

### Daily devotions

We also invite you to use our daily devotions, written by Fourth Church members and staff, for your personal reflection. To receive them by email, subscribe at [bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://bit.ly/fpcdevotions); you can also find them at [fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://fourthchurch.org/devotions) and on Facebook and Instagram.

### Reading the sermon

To receive by email the text of the previous Sunday morning’s sermon, subscribe at [bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://bit.ly/fpcsermons); you can also access the sermon archive at [fourthchurch.org/sermons](http://fourthchurch.org/sermons)

### Podcasts

During the week the Sunday morning service and sermon are made available via podcast on multiple platforms and at [fourthchurch.org/podcasts](http://fourthchurch.org/podcasts)

You will also find there Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger’s lively, informative, and often amusing podcast “Bible Top Ten.”

### Wednesday Morning Prayer

Each Wednesday we gather at 9:30 a.m. for Morning Prayer via Zoom. For details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)). On the first Wednesday of the month (*July 3 will be the next opportunity*) we also gather for in-person Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

## Meditation Opportunities

You are invited to a Sacred Pause time of meditation offered on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at [facebook.com/repleglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](https://facebook.com/repleglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing)

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is open for walking this Thursday afternoon between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

## Honoring John Sherer

Next Sunday, June 23 will be John Sherer’s last Sunday as our Organist and Director of Music. Join us as we give thanks for his ministry among us and wish him Godspeed as he prepares to become Organist and Director of Music at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Rochester, New York.

- Friday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m.: John plays an evening Organ Recital (also livestreamed), featuring works written by Fourth Church organists and followed by a reception.
- Sunday, June 23 at 10:00 a.m.: John’s last Sunday; to sing with the choir that day, please come for an 8:45 a.m. rehearsal that morning. Following worship there will be a festive reception for John during Coffee Hour.

### Memory book

We invite you to share your well-wishes, notes, photos, and thank-yous with John through our online memory book. You can submit your contributions at [bit.ly/sherermemories](http://bit.ly/sherermemories)

### Gifts in honor of John

As a further expression of gratitude, we also invite you to make a gift in honor of John’s dedicated leadership of music ministry at Fourth Church. Gifts given in honor of John will support key areas of this ministry of beauty, including the Director of Music and Organ Scholar positions as well as the Morning Choir. Gifts can be made online at [bit.ly/jwwshonorgift](http://bit.ly/jwwshonorgift)

## Celebrating Juneteenth

Please join us for this morning's special Coffee Hour hosted by the Racial Equity Council in honor of Juneteenth.

The Juneteenth-colored ribbons and sign along Michigan Avenue bear public witness to the June 19 celebration of freedom as well as the call to reflection and recommitment to racial equity and the purposeful inclusion of all people.

Also part of our public witness is the Juneteenth Flag flying in our courtyard. The flag design, which is flown across the nation, celebrates—in its red, white, and blue colors—that Black Americans are fully Americans and, with its listed date, have been free since June 19, 1865.

*The church office will be closed on Wednesday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth.*

## Celebrating Pride Month

The rainbow ribbons along Michigan Avenue bear public witness to the inclusive hospitality we extend to all and to our welcome of all of God's children into the life of the church.

### Pride breakfast

You are invited to the Pride Breakfast "Why We Celebrate—and Keep On Keeping On" hosted on Sunday, June 23 at 11:30 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room by Fourth Church's LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome (WOW) group. To ensure we have plenty of food, please register at [bit.ly/wow624](https://bit.ly/wow624)

### Pride parade

On Sunday, June 30 at 11:00 a.m. we will walk in the Pride Parade along with fellow members of the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches. Because the number of walking slots allocated to Fourth Church is limited, if you would like to join us at the parade, please reach out to Nanette Sawyer ([nsawyer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nsawyer@fourthchurch.org)) to put your name on the list of interested walkers.

## Joining the Fourth Church Family

If you are interested in learning more about this congregation or would like to become a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class in person on Sunday afternoon, August 11 at 12:15 p.m. or via Zoom on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. For details or more information about membership, please contact Matt Helms, Associate Pastor for Children, Family, and Welcoming Ministries ([mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)).

## Caring for One Another

### Prayer requests and pastoral care

To submit a prayer request to our Deacon and Morning Prayer Ministries, please email Gloria Fleming ([gflaming@fourthchurch.org](mailto:gflaming@fourthchurch.org))

Also email Gloria if you would like to talk to a pastor or notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; if the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call.

### Stephen Ministry

For those facing life's challenges, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To talk with a Stephen Minister, leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

### Grief groups

Zoom grief groups are facilitated by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and meet for four weeks. To add your name to the list for the next group, contact the facilitator, Sharon Crawford-Tucker ([stucker@fourthchurch.org](mailto:stucker@fourthchurch.org))

### Counseling and well-being

To explore options for counseling and well-being offerings, call the Replogle Center at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit [reploglecenter.org](http://reploglecenter.org)

## Get Connected

### Bible studies

Men's Bible Study, which focuses on Sunday's scripture readings from the pulpit, meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* is the focus of this summer's monthly Women's Bible Study, which next meets via Zoom on Wednesday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m.

For Zoom details for either study, email Nanette Sawyer ([nsawyer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nsawyer@fourthchurch.org)).

### Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting meets via Zoom on Tuesday, June 25 at 4:00 p.m. Email Nanette Sawyer ([nsawyer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nsawyer@fourthchurch.org)) for details.

### Women at Fourth Paint-and-Sip

Join Women at Fourth on Thursday, June 27 when they gather at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for Paint-and-Sip, a fun-filled evening of painting with a professional artist while enjoying fellowship, snacks, and drinks. Space is limited, so RSVP early at [bit.ly/waf62024](https://bit.ly/waf62024)

### Walk for peace

Our World Mission and Social Justice Council invites you to join them for this summer's Friday night Peace Walks at Saint Sabina Church in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood. We will be walking on Fridays, June 28, July 12, August 2, and August 16. To learn more, email Nancy Davis ([ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)).

### Civil rights pilgrimage

Fourth Church is cosponsoring an October 18–27 Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage to New Orleans, Jackson, Montgomery, and Birmingham. To learn more about this opportunity, see the trip description at [bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024](https://bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024)

## Volunteer with Us

You are invited to contribute to Fourth Church worship by volunteering to read scripture in a service, carry the Bible as a Beadle during the procession, serve Communion, or greet worshipers as an usher. To volunteer or learn more, email Rocky Supinger ([rsupinger@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rsupinger@fourthchurch.org))/

If you would be interested in becoming a Fourth Church Ambassador to welcome visitors to our church, provide them with insightful tours, share compelling stories, help them navigate our facility, and invite them into moments of spiritual solace and wonder, please email Nancy Davis ([ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)).

Explore additional volunteer opportunities—including ushering, serving with Meals Ministry, and more!—at [fourthchurch.org/volunteer](https://fourthchurch.org/volunteer)

## Grocery Bags Needed

Reusable and paper grocery bags are needed by the Chicago Lights Social Service Center for use by guests visiting the Food Pantry and Share Shop. Bags can be dropped off at the church reception desk (enter at 126 E. Chestnut) between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The Social Service Center is also in need of men's clothing, of all types and all sizes.

## Stay Connected

For resources and information about connecting with one another and Fourth Church, see our website at [fourthchurch.org](https://fourthchurch.org) and our weekly email newsletter. Subscribe at [bit.ly/newsfromfpc](https://bit.ly/newsfromfpc); visit our news archive at [fourthchurch.org/news](https://fourthchurch.org/news). We also invite you to follow us on YouTube: [bit.ly/fpcvideos](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos); Facebook: [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch); and Instagram: [instagram.com/fourthchurch](https://instagram.com/fourthchurch)

## Calendar for June 16–June 22

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<b>Sunday, June 16</b>	All day Camino Pilgrimage . . . . . Spain 10:00 a.m. Worship . . . . . Sanctuary / Online 10:00 to 11:15 a.m. Infants/Parents Comfort Room . . . . Hospitality Suite 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Nursery . . . . . Room 4A 10:00 a.m. Summer Sunday School . . . . . Room 4D 11:00 a.m. A Time of Prayer . . . . . Stone Chapel 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour . . . . . Anderson Hall 11:15 a.m. Organ Tour . . . . . Sanctuary 11:15 a.m. World Mission / Social Justice Council . . . . Room 5E 11:30 a.m. Volunteer Ministry Council . . . . . Room 4K 2:00 p.m. The Gathering: Communion at 2:00 . . . . . Sanctuary / Online 3:00 p.m. Coffee Hour . . . . . Narthex 4:00 p.m. Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30) . . . . . Anderson Hall 4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Medical Service . . . . . Borwell Dining Room
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<b>Monday, June 17</b>	All day Camino Pilgrimage . . . . . Spain 9:30 a.m. CLL: Advanced French . . . . . Zoom 10:30 a.m. CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . . Zoom 10:45 a.m. CLL: Intermediate French . . . . . Zoom 11:30 a.m. CLL: Silver Taps . . . . . Zoom 12:00 p.m. CLL: Beginner's French . . . . . Zoom 1:00 p.m. CLL: Art History . . . . . Zoom 1:00 p.m. CLL: Writing From the Heart . . . . . Zoom 2:00 p.m. CLL: Late Renaissance Art . . . . . Room 4G / Zoom 2:30 p.m. CLL: Yoga . . . . . Room 4F / Zoom
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<b>Tuesday, June 18</b>	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause . . . . . Online 9:30 a.m. CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . . Zoom 9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program . . . . . Morse Lounge 10:00 a.m. Self-Development of People . . . . . Borwell Dining Room 11:30 a.m. CLL: Basic Spanish . . . . . Room 4K 11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . . Anderson Hall 12:00 p.m. CLL: Conversation, Connection, Coloring . . Room 5C 1:00 p.m. CLL: Book Study Group . . . . . Room 4E 1:00 p.m. CLL: Foreign Affairs . . . . . Zoom 1:00 p.m. CLL: Watercolor . . . . . Room 4F / Zoom 1:00 p.m. English as a Second Language . . . . . Morse Conference Room 1:00 p.m. Labyrinth Available to Walk . . . . . Buchanan Chapel 1:00 p.m. Shower Ministry . . . . . Showers 2:00 p.m. CLL: Ancient Maya / Olmec Mesoamerica. . . Zoom
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## Calendar for June 16–June 22

- 2:30 p.m. CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi ..... Room 4G
- 5:00 p.m. CLL: June Night Out ..... Offsite
- 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting ..... Room 4F
- 6:00 p.m. Spiritual Formation Council ..... Room 4G
- 6:30 p.m. Discover Fourth Council ..... Morse Conference Room

**Wednesday, June 19 • Juneteenth • Church Offices and Campus Closed**

- Thursday, June 20**
- 9:00 a.m. Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making ..... Borwell Dining Room
  - 9:30 a.m. CLL: Silver Barre ..... Zoom
  - 9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program ..... Morse Lounge
  - 10:30 a.m. CLL: Range of Motion ..... Zoom
  - 11:30 a.m. CLL: Matters of Health ..... Room 4E / Zoom
  - 11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch ..... Anderson Hall
  - 12:15 p.m. AA Meeting ..... Room 4F
  - 1:00 p.m. CLL: Music History ..... Zoom A
  - 1:00 p.m. English as a Second Language ..... Morse Conference Room
  - 1:00 p.m. Labyrinth Available to Walk ..... Buchanan Chapel
  - 2:30 p.m. CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi ..... Anderson Hall
  - 3:30 p.m. Meals Ministry Steering Team ..... Morse Conference Room
  - 5:00 p.m. Deacons ..... Room 4G
  - 7:00 p.m. Men’s Choir Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary

- Friday, June 21**
- 9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program ..... Morse Lounge
  - 10:30 a.m. CLL: Nia ..... Zoom
  - 11:30 a.m. CLL: Grief Cafe ..... Room 4D
  - 12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Violin and Piano ..... Sanctuary
  - 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Make Music Chicago Concerts ..... Buchanan Chapel
  - 5:00 p.m. Lux Cantorum Concert ..... Buchanan Chapel
  - 7:00 p.m. John Sherer Organ Recital ..... Sanctuary
  - 8:00 p.m. John Sherer reception ..... Borwell Dining Room

- Saturday, June 22** 8:30 a.m. Sacred Pause ..... Online  
*(No other events are scheduled for Saturday)*

**Preaching on Sunday, June 23**  
 10:00 a.m. Tom Are • 2:00 p.m. Rocky Supinger



## Worship Leaders

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Rocky Supinger, Kat Evans, Amy Pagliarella, Tom Are Jr.

## The Music Today

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Men's Choir

Michael Rees, Organ Scholar

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

## Worship Notes

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FLORENCE B. PRICE, composer of the prelude piece "In Quiet Mood," was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1887. After earning degrees in organ and piano from the New England Conservatory of Music, she moved to Chicago in 1927, where she studied with Leo Sowerby, who had served as an organist at Fourth Church in the 1920s. In 1933, Ms. Price became the first African American woman to have her music played by a major orchestra when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra presented her *Symphony in E Minor*, one of more than 300 compositions she wrote.

THE HYMN "LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING" began as a poem written by James Weldon Johnson for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Abraham Lincoln's birthday in 1900. Five years later Johnson's brother, J. Rosamond Johnson, wrote the stirring music to go with the powerful words. Recognized as the Black National Anthem, this text and tune have gained widespread devotion, not only within the African American community but also among all who seek liberation from oppression.

OFFERING GIFTS TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRY AND MISSION of Fourth Church can be placed in the plates passed during the service, or, afterwards, in an offering box at the exit from the Sanctuary. They also can be given via Venmo (@Fourth-Church) or online at [fourthchurch.org/give](http://fourthchurch.org/give)

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**Tom Are Jr.** Interim Pastor

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**Matt Helms** Children, Family, and Welcoming Ministries

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

**Nanette Sawyer** Discipleship and Small Group Ministry

**Rocky Supinger** Youth Ministry and Worship

**Amy Pagliarella** Parish Associate for Caring Ministries

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