

June 30, 2024



The Gathering

Communion at 2:00

We Gather.

Gathering Music

Song "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty" (Hymnal 1, v. 1 and 2)

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.

Psalm Psalm 30

**Please rise in body or spirit.*



**FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
A Light in the City

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.

Song "Standing on the Promises" (Hymnal 838, v. 1, 3, 4)

Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain:

Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God. (*Refrain*)

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God. (*Refrain*)

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Song "Be Thou My Vision" (Hymnal 450, v. 1 and 3)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

We Hear.

Scripture Reading Mark 5:21–43

Sermon Nancy Benson-Nicol

We Respond.

Offering

The gifts we share to support the ministry and mission of Fourth Church can be placed in the offering plate or, upon leaving today, in the offering boxes at the Sanctuary exits. Gifts also can be given online at www.fourthchurch.org/give or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church)

Song “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” (Hymnal 716, v. 1 and 3)

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

Communion

*Communion will be served by intinction (dipping the bread into the juice).
Gluten-free bread is available.*

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Communion Song “Hosea (Come Back to Me)” Gregory Norbet

***Song** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (Hymnal 700)

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me . . .

I'm gonna pray so God can use me . . .

I'm gonna sing so God can use me . . .

***Blessing**

Worship Leader

Nancy Benson-Nicol

The Music Today

Beena David, vocals; Bryan Doherty, bass; Amr Fahmy, piano; Neal Wehman, drums

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.

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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.”**

Worshipping in Person at Fourth Church

Each Sunday our worshipping body is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews. If you like to worship with us in person, **during 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.

Ensure you receive the latest updates, stories, and snapshots from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc

Worshipping Online

We livestream our 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services on our YouTube channel: 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

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 pads in the pews, passing the pads to the center of the row and then back again so worshipers have opportunity to greet one another by name following worship. Please also indicate if your contact information has changed.

Online

Those worshipping with us 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.

Get Connected

Civil rights pilgrimage

This Monday, July 1 is the deadline to sign up for our October Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage to New Orleans, Jackson, Montgomery, and Birmingham. For details, see bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024

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 Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting meets on Tuesday, July 2 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

Music by the Fountain

Our free outdoor concert series, Music by the Fountain, begins this Friday, July 5 at 12:10 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Sermon discussion

Next Sunday, July 7, join us at 11:10 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room for a discussion of the day’s sermon.

CLL summer session

The summer session of Center for Life and Learning programming for adults sixty and over begins on Monday, July 8. Learn more and register at fourthchurch.org/cll

Church picnic

You’re invited to a church picnic! Join us for food and fellowship on Sunday, July 14 in our Michigan Avenue courtyard following the morning service.

Celebrating Pride Month

The Pride flag in the courtyard and 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.

We continue that public expression on Pride Sunday, participating in today's Pride Parade along with fellow members of the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches.

Walking for Peace

Our World Mission and Social Justice Council invites you to join them for this summer's Friday night Peace Walks with Saint Sabina Church in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood, as we walk to prevent violence and build community. We will be walking on Fridays, July 12, August 2, and August 16. To learn more, email Nancy Davis (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Grocery Bags Needed

Reuseable 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.

School Supply Drive

Our annual School Supply Drive, organized by Women at Fourth to collect items for the students of the Chicago Lights Urban Farm, Tutoring, and Summer Day, starts July 1! For details about donating supplies or funds for their purchase, contact Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Joining the Fourth Church Family

To become a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class in person on Sunday, 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, email Nancy Davis (ndavis@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 (gfleming@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.

Counseling and well-being

To explore options for counseling or well-being offerings, including our grief groups, call our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit reploglecenter.org

Art Exhibition

Currently on exhibition in our Loggia Gallery is "Perceptions of Nature," featuring realistic and abstract depictions of the natural and showcasing the work of artists Helen Dannelly and Yolanda Fernandez-Shebeko.

Prayer, Reflection, and Meditation

“Rhythm and Word”

This summer we invite you to pause midweek to reflect on the theme of sabbath, as explored by Amy Pagliarella and the Gathering musicians in our July “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/rhythmandword; to receive notice of them via YouTube, subscribe to our channel: 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; you can also find them at fourthchurch.org/devotions and on Facebook and Instagram.

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).

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

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is open for walking on Tuesday and Wednesday between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Podcasts

During the week the Sunday morning service and sermon are made available via podcast on multiple platforms and at fourthchurch.org/podcasts

Stay Connected

You can find details about ways to connect with one another and this congregation as well as discover various resources and opportunities on our website: fourthchurch.org

Weekly newsletter

Look for information, updates, and snapshots of life at Fourth Church in our weekly email newsletter. Subscribe at bit.ly/newsfromfpc and visit our news archive at fourthchurch.org/news



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