

July 21, 2024



The Gathering

Communion at 2:00

We Gather.

Gathering Music

Song "All Are Welcome" (Hymnal 301, v. 1, 4, and 5)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: *(Refrain)*

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *(Refrain)*

Psalter Psalm 23

**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 in the Need of Prayer"

Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Refrain:

It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

(Refrain)

Not my father, not my mother, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not my father, not my mother, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

(Refrain)

Not the stranger, not my neighbor, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not the stranger, not my neighbor, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

(Refrain)

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Song "Let Us Break Bread Together" (Hymnal 525)

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)*

We Hear.

Second Lesson Mark 6:30–44

Sermon Rocky Supinger

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 fourthchurch.org/give or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church)

Song “God Is So Good” (Hymnal 658)

God is so good; God is so good;

God is so good; God’s so good to me.

God cares for me; God cares for me;

God cares for me; God’s so good to me.

God loves me so; God loves me so;

God loves me so; God’s so good to me.

God is so good; God is so good;

God is so good; God’s so good to me.

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 “Be Not Afraid” (Bob Dufford)

We Go.

*Song “This Little Light of Mine”

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine!

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Ev’rywhere I go . . .

Jesus gave it to me . . .

This little light of mine . . .

*Blessing

Worship Leader

Rocky Supinger

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

Bible studies

Men’s Bible Study meets weekly via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. This summer’s monthly Women’s Bible Study, focusing on Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Life Together*, meets on Wednesday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Deep Listening Dinner

Our next Deep Listening Dinner, a time to get to know one another through conversation over a shared meal, will take place on Friday evening, August 2 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. To join the dinner discussion, register (*required*) at bit.ly/deeplisting82024

Walk 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, August 2 and August 16. To learn more, email Nancy Davis (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

You’re invited to a picnic!

On Sunday, August 18 we’re having a picnic in Anderson Hall following the morning service. Come join us for food and fellowship!

Encore: The Art of Aging Well

This year’s Center for Life and Learning benefit—“Encore: The Art of Aging Well”—takes place on Saturday, August 24 at 4:00 p.m. at the church and includes a time of refreshments as well as a presentation by Jeffrey Nigro, of the Art Institute of Chicago, on “Great Artists in Their Prime.” For tickets, register at fourthchurch.org/cll/encore

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, is underway! For details about donating supplies or funds for their purchase, see bit.ly/schoolsupplydrivefpc or contact Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers are also needed to help assemble the backpacks following worship on Sundays, July 28 and August 4. Please sign up with Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org) if you can help.

Tutor with Chicago Lights

Another way we partner with students of Chicago Lights is by volunteering as mentors with the Tutoring program, now in its sixtieth year. Tutor/mentors are each paired with a student, with whom they meet weekly at the church one evening a week for ninety minutes. To learn more, visit chicagolights.org/volunteer/#tutoring or email tutor@chicagolights.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).

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.

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.

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

Music by the Fountain

Our weekly outdoor concert series continues this Friday at 12:10 p.m. with Peter Bergin performing piano/ragtime and the Great American Songbook.

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 Thursday 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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