



# Fourth Presbyterian Church

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 15, 2024 • 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

---

## Gathering around the Word

---

### Prelude

- Fanfare and Chorus . . . . . Dietrich Buxtehude/arr. Robert King
- Cantilène . . . . . Rachel Laurin
- Air from *Orchestral Suite No. 3*. . . . . Johann Sebastian Bach/arr. Charlie Schuchat
- Toccatina . . . . . R. Laurin
- In Nomine . . . . . Orlando Gibbons/arr. C. Schuchat

### Introit

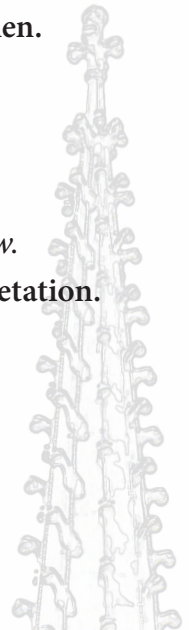
- Louez le Seigneur! . . . . . Cameroonian melody/arr. Ralph M. Johnson
- Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name, alleluia.*

### \*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: *God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.*
- All: *God calls us to be builders as well.*
- One: *God calls us to build our lives: to restore broken places and continue to grow.*
- All: *God calls us to build our faith: to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.*
- One: *God calls us to build our community:*  
*to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.*
- All: *God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of scripture:*
- One: *to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.*
- All: *Let us worship God!*



---

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

**\*Hymn 298.** . . . . . “Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

Lord, you give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”

Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:  
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name baptize and teach.”

That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,  
give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:  
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy: “This, my body; this, my blood.”

Let us all, for earth’s true glory, daily lift life heavenward,  
asking that the world around us share your children’s liberty:  
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love’s true measure: “Father, what they do, forgive.”

Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us to a just society:  
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring: “I am with you to the end.”

Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,  
and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:  
with the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

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

God of our restoration, whenever we come home to you,

we realize how far we have strayed

and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love.

We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you;

through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust. 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 text or email someone to let them know you are thinking of them.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

*Please take a moment to let us know you are with us today! There are information pads in the pews for those in the Sanctuary and a digital form (use the link or QR code on screen) for those online.*

**Ministry Minute**

**Anthem**

“Somebody’s Knockin’ at Your Door” (9:30) . . . African American spiritual/arr. Tim Harbold  
*Somebody’s knockin’ at your door. O, sinner, why don’t you answer? Knocks like Jesus, can’t you hear him? Answer Jesus! Can’t you trust him now? Somebody’s knockin’ at your door.*

“Lord, Make Us Servants” (11:00) . . . . . Robert N. Roth  
*Lord, make us servants of your peace: where there is hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one. Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy. Jesus our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console, nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand. May we not look for love’s return, but seek to love unselfishly, for in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven. Dying, we live, and are reborn through death’s dark night to endless day: Lord make us servants of your peace, to wake at last in heaven’s light.*

---

**Listening for the Word**

---

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson** . . . . . 1 Samuel 8:4–9

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** . . . . . John 1:1–14

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

**Sermon**

Are We Supposed to Be Talking about This in Church? . . . . . Tom Are Jr.

Responding to the Word

**\*Hymn 315** . . . . . “In the Midst of New Dimensions”

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways,  
who will lead the pilgrim peoples wandering in their separate ways?

*Refrain*

God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar,  
we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

Through the flood of starving people, warring factions, and despair,  
who will lift the olive branches? Who will light the flame of care? (*Refrain*)

As we stand, a world divided by our own self-seeking schemes,  
grant that we, your global village, might envision wider dreams. (*Refrain*)

We are man and we are woman, all persuasions, old and young,  
each a gift in your creation, each a love song to be sung. (*Refrain*)

Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to withdraw in pain,  
may your blazing phoenix spirit resurrect the church again. (*Refrain*)

**4** †Or “to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost.”

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*) . . . . . A New Creed (United Church of Canada)

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

**Prayers of the People and Blessing of Volunteers**

**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**

“All Thy Works Shall Praise Thee” (9:30) . . . . . William Mathias  
*All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee.  
They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom and talk of thy power:  
To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.  
Amen.*

“In This House of Worship” (11:00) . . . . . Allen Pote  
*I was glad when they said unto me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.” How lovely, how lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord. My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh sing for joy for the living God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house ever singing your praise. In this place of worship may we dedicate our lives as we listen and receive your Holy Word. May your living spirit move among us and inspire as we sing and offer thanks for what we’ve heard. May the circle of fellowship to which we all belong be a blessing to each one who enters here. May this place of worship bring us to a faith that makes us strong; may we feel your Holy Presence ever near. Blessed are they who dwell in your house ever singing your praise. Amen.*

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

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Abundant God, you are the focus of our faith, hope, and love.  
In gratitude, we offer these gifts to you; may they be pleasing and acceptable in your sight.  
Through your grace, may they feed, nurture, and equip your children  
and bless the fruit of all your creation.  
In the wondrous name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

---

## Bearing the Word into the World

---

**\*Hymn 295** . . . . . “Go to the World!”

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life’s worth,  
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go to the world! Go into every place.

Go live the word of God’s redeeming grace.  
Go seek God’s presence in each time and space.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;  
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.  
As servant church, you follow Christ’s own way.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
for I am with you till the age shall end,  
when all the hosts of glory cry “Amen!”

Alleluia. Alleluia.

### **\*Charge and Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

La Mourisque . . . . . Tylman Susato/arr. C. Schuchat



## 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, we gather at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

### Entering the building

A half hour prior to each Sunday 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 the 9:30 a.m. service each Sunday on our YouTube channel: [bit.ly/fpcvideos](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos)

### Accessing the service

Worship can be viewed anytime after the service begins. 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 9:30 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 an 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.

### Online

Those worshipping via livestream will find a link to the online form in the 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.

## Sunday Opportunities

### Spirituality of Caregiving

“The Spirituality of Caregiving” continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. Leading today’s class are Nancy Benson-Nicol, Associate Pastor for Caring Ministries and Spiritual Formation, and Amy Pagliarella, Parish Associate for Caring Ministries. Jeannie Forrest will lead next week’s session. For Zoom details, register at [bit.ly/caregiving92024](https://bit.ly/caregiving92024)

### Knitting and Crocheting

Both a fellowship group and a ministry of caring, Knitting and Crocheting supplies partners around the city with handcrafted items for warmth and comfort. Today the group meets at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

### Sunday Morning Fellowship

If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to stop by Anderson Hall after the service for Coffee Hour—an opportunity to greet each other and learn about ways to connect with one another and 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 the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

### Organ tour

Following the 11:00 a.m. service, a tour of our pipe organ 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; Joe Morrow will be preaching.

## Children and Youth

### 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 of the Gratz Center, is a quiet space for families where worship is livestreamed.

### Nursery care

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

### Sunday school

Sunday school for three-year-olds through fifth graders takes place at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center. During the 11:00 a.m. service there is a children's Fellowship Hour with activities, games, and stories in Room 4D.

### Youth groups

Junior Highs (grades six and seven) meet each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room, where Senior Highs (grades eight through twelve) gather at 11:00 a.m.

### Confirmation

Eighth-graders are encouraged to register at [bit.ly/confirmation2425](http://bit.ly/confirmation2425) for Confirmation, which will kick off this Friday evening, September 20.

## 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, October 6 at 12:15 p.m. (register at [bit.ly/inquirers102024](http://bit.ly/inquirers102024)) or via Zoom on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. (register at [bit.ly/inquirers112024](http://bit.ly/inquirers112024)). For more information, contact Matt Helms ([mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)).

## Bible Study

### Philippians with Tom Are

This Tuesday evening will be the first session of a four-week Bible study with Tom Are, based on his short book *Joy Even on Your Worst Days*, which he calls "a preacher's read of Philippians." Join Tom in Borwell Dining Room at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, beginning September 17, to discuss this most joyful writing in the Bible, a book amazingly written while Paul was in prison. Register at [bit.ly/biblestudy92024](http://bit.ly/biblestudy92024)

A Zoom version of this class will be offered on Wednesdays October 9 and 30 at 7:00 p.m. Participants will be asked to watch two videos prior to each session. For details, register at [bit.ly/zoomstudy102024](http://bit.ly/zoomstudy102024)

### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom. For details, email Simon Crow ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).

### TwentiesThirties on Amos and justice

Young adults meet via Zoom ([bit.ly/2030amos](http://bit.ly/2030amos)) for a time of scripture study and community building on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

### Women's Horizons Bible Study

Women's *Horizons* Bible Study, which is offered via Zoom on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., will next meet on Wednesday, September 25. For details, email Simon ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).

### Podcast and sermon text

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

To receive the text of the previous Sunday's sermon via email, subscribe at [bit.ly/fpcsermons](http://bit.ly/fpcsermons) or read it online at [fourthchurch.org/sermons](http://fourthchurch.org/sermons)

## Officer Nominations

The Officer Nominating Committee is in need of recommendations of individuals to serve in leadership positions opening in 2025 for Elder, Deacon, Trustee, Nominating Committee, and the Chicago Lights Board.

If you know any Fourth Church members—including yourself—who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry, please offer your recommendations via the online form at [www.bit.ly/nominating2025](http://www.bit.ly/nominating2025) or stop by Anderson Hall today to talk with a representative from the Nominating Committee.

## Tutor with Chicago Lights

The more volunteer mentors we have for Tutoring—which meets at the church on weeknights beginning September 30—the more students who can participate! For details about being paired with a student on the waiting list, see [chicagolights.org/tutoring](http://chicagolights.org/tutoring)

## Hispanic American Heritage

As we celebrate National Hispanic American Heritage Month, which begins today, please be sure to stop by the Racial Equity Council table during Coffee Hour to browse their display of resources for the month.

## CLL Autumn Session

The autumn session of fitness classes, lectures, and arts courses for adults sixty and over is underway at our Center for Life and Learning. See [www.fourthchurch.org/cll](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cll) for details and to register for CLL membership.

## Interim Director of Music Named

As Tom Are shared in an email letter to the congregation on Thursday, Douglas Cleveland has been named our Interim Organist and Director of Music. We are delighted that Doug will be joining us in worship on Sunday, October 20. You can learn more about him at [fourthchurch.org](http://fourthchurch.org)

## Fellowship Opportunities

### New Zoom Small Group

*The Ragamuffin Gospel* by Brennan Manning will be the focus of a Zoom Small Group, beginning this Thursday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m. To take part, email Simon ([scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org)).

### Women at Fourth: Walton Manse Mingle

Women are invited to a “Manse Mingle” at Tom and Carol Are’s home this Thursday, September 19 at 5:30 p.m. Registration for this event hosted by Carol is required (contact Simon Crow at [scrow@fourthchurch.org](mailto:scrow@fourthchurch.org) for registration details); space is limited and filling fast.

### Cornerstones

A fellowship group for those fifty and over, Cornerstones will meet on Friday, October 4 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for dinner and a presentation by D. Bradford Hunt, Professor and Chair of Loyola’s Department of History, on “How Chicago Became One of the Most Segregated Cities in the Country.” Registration required at [bit.ly/cornerstones102024](http://bit.ly/cornerstones102024)

### Books by Women

The monthly Books by Women book group will discuss *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachael Joyce on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bump Room.

## Caring for One Another

### Prayer requests and pastoral care

If you would like to talk to a pastor or notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please email Gloria Fleming ([gfleming@fourthchurch.org](mailto:gfleming@fourthchurch.org)). If the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call.

Also email Gloria if you would like to submit a prayer request to our Deacon and Morning Prayer Ministries.

### 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)).

### 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 and well-being, contact our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit [repluglecenter.org](http://repluglecenter.org).

### Grief groups

Grief groups facilitated by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being meet for four weeks via Zoom. To learn more or register for a group, contact the group facilitator, Sharon Crawford-Tucker ([stucker@fourthchurch.org](mailto:stucker@fourthchurch.org)).

## Prayer, Reflection, and Meditation

### Daily devotions

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

### Weekly "Rhythm and Word" videos

On Wednesdays we release a ten-minute video of music, scripture, and prayer, led this month by Rocky Supinger and the Gathering musicians. To receive notice of new videos, subscribe to our YouTube channel: [bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://bit.ly/fpcvideos); to receive them in your inbox, sign up at [bit.ly/rhythmandword](http://bit.ly/rhythmandword)

### 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/repluglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](https://facebook.com/repluglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing)

If you would like to walk the labyrinth, Buchanan Chapel is open for that opportunity between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

## Blessing of the Animals

We're having our annual Blessing of the Animals service on Saturday, October 5 at 10:00 a.m. outdoors in the Michigan Avenue courtyard. All pets on leashes or in carriers are welcome, or if you prefer, you can bring your pet's photo to be blessed instead.

## Stay Connected!

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

## Calendar for September 15–21

---

<b>Sunday, Sept. 15</b>	9:00 a.m. Children’s Choir . . . . . Room 4G 9:30 a.m. Worship . . . . . Sanctuary / Online 9:30 a.m. Infants/Parents Comfort Room . . . . . Hospitality Suite 9:30 a.m. Nursery . . . . . Room 4A 9:30 a.m. Sunday School . . . . . Fourth Floor 9:30 a.m. Junior High Gathering . . . . . Bumpus Room 10:15 a.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal . . . . . Room 4B 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour . . . . . Anderson Hall 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir . . . . . Room 4G 11:00 a.m. Children’s Fellowship Hour . . . . . Room 4D 11:00 a.m. Knitting and Crocheting . . . . . Room 5B 11:00 a.m. Senior High Gathering . . . . . Bumpus Room 11:00 a.m. The Spirituality of Caregiving . . . . . Borwell Dining Room / Zoom 11:00 a.m. Worship . . . . . Sanctuary 12:00 p.m. A Time of Prayer . . . . . Stone Chapel 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour . . . . . Anderson Hall 12:15 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal . . . . . Buchanan Chapel Loft 12:15 p.m. World Mission and Social Justice Council . . . . . Room 5E 1:00 p.m. Civil Rights Pilgrimage Orientation . . . . . Room 4G 2:00 p.m. The Gathering: Communion at 2:00 . . . . . Sanctuary 4:00 p.m. Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30) . . . . . Anderson Hall 4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Medical Service . . . . . Borwell Dining Room
-------------------------	--

---

<b>Monday, Sept. 16</b>	9:30 a.m. CLL: Advanced French . . . . . Zoom 10:30 a.m. CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . . Zoom 10:45 a.m. CLL: Intermediate French . . . . . Zoom 12:00 p.m. CLL: Beginner’s French . . . . . Zoom 1:00 p.m. CLL: Art History . . . . . Zoom 2:30 p.m. CLL: Yoga . . . . . Room 4G / Zoom 4:15 p.m. Monday Night Supper . . . . . Catholic Charities 5:30 p.m. Stewardship and Giving Council . . . . . Zoom
-------------------------	--

---

<b>Tuesday, Sept. 17</b>	7:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study . . . . . Zoom 7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause . . . . . Online 9:00 a.m. Heartland Alliance Medical Clinic . . . . . Randolph Room 9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program . . . . . Morse Lounge
--------------------------	--

---

CLL = Center for Life and Learning ([fourthchurch.org/cll](http://fourthchurch.org/cll))

SSC = Chicago Lights Social Service Center

## Calendar for September 15–21

9:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . .	Zoom
10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stage and Screen . . . . .	Room 5G / Zoom
11:30 a.m.	CLL: Basic Spanish. . . . .	Room 4E
11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . .	Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginning Watercolor . . . . .	Room 4F
12:00 p.m.	CLL: Coloring, Conversation, Connection . .	Fifth-Floor Lounge
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Foreign Perspectives. . . . .	Zoom
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Improv . . . . .	Room 4D
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Watercolor and Art Concepts. . . . .	Room 4F / Zoom
1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language . . . . .	Morse Conference Room
1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry. . . . .	Showers
2:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginner Tai Chi. . . . .	Anderson Hall
2:45 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi . . . . .	Anderson Hall / Zoom
5:00 p.m.	Gala Committee . . . . .	Room 5F
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting. . . . .	Room 4F
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Tom Are. . . . .	Borwell Dining Room

---

### Wednesday, Sept. 18

7:30 a.m.	Joint Finance. . . . .	Zoom
9:30 a.m.	CLL: Tap. . . . .	Zoom
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer . . . . .	Zoom
9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program. . . . .	Morse Lounge
10:30 a.m.	CLL: Explorations . . . . .	Room 4G / Zoom
10:30 a.m.	CLL: Zing. . . . .	Zoom
11:00 a.m.	CLL: Midweek Meditation . . . . .	Room 4D
11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . .	Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	CLL: Current Events . . . . .	Room 5G
1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language . . . . .	Morse Conference Room
1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
1:30 p.m.	CLL: Carousel of Curiosities . . . . .	Zoom
1:30 p.m.	CLL: Georgia O’Keeffe’s Southwest. . . . .	Room 4F
3:00 p.m.	CLL: Drawing Fundamentals and Beyond. . .	Zoom
5:30 p.m.	Board of Deacons . . . . .	Room 4G
5:30 p.m.	Chicago Lights Board of Directors . . . . .	Room 4F
6:00 p.m.	AA: LGBTQIA+ . . . . .	Room 4E
7:00 p.m.	TwentiesThirties: Amos/Justice . . . . .	Zoom

## Calendar for September 15–21

---

<b>Thursday, Sept. 19</b>	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 10:00 a.m. CLL: Memoir Writing . . . . . Room 5A / Zoom 10:00 a.m. CLL: Supreme Court Decisions . . . . . Room 4D 10:30 a.m. CLL: Range of Motion . . . . . Zoom 11:30 a.m. CLL: Matters of Health . . . . . Room 4E 11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . . Anderson Hall 12:15 p.m. AA Meeting . . . . . Room 4F 1:00 p.m. CLL: Memoir Writing . . . . . Room 5A 1:00 p.m. CLL: Music History . . . . . Zoom 1:00 p.m. English as a Second Language . . . . . Morse Conference Room 1:00 p.m. Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . . . Buchanan Chapel 1:30 p.m. CLL: Art Days . . . . . Room 4E 2:00 p.m. CLL: Beginner Tai Chi . . . . . Anderson Hall 2:45 p.m. CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi . . . . . Anderson Hall / Zoom 3:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Steering Team . . . . . Morse Conference Room 5:15 p.m. Board of Trustees . . . . . Room 4G 5:30 p.m. Women at Fourth: Manse Mingle . . . . . Walton Manse 6:00 p.m. Small Group: <i>Ragamuffin Gospel</i> . . . . . Zoom 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal . . . . . Sanctuary 7:00 p.m. Morning Choir Rehearsal . . . . . Buchanan Chapel
---------------------------	--

---

<b>Friday, Sept. 20</b>	9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program . . . . . Morse Lounge 10:30 a.m. CLL: Nia . . . . . Zoom 12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert . . . . . Sanctuary / Online 4:30 p.m. Session . . . . . Room 4G / Zoom 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Retreat . . . . . Bumpus Room
-------------------------	---

---

<b>Saturday, Sept. 21</b>	8:30 a.m. Sacred Pause . . . . . Online 5:00 p.m. REC Gathering . . . . . Manse
---------------------------	--

### Preaching on Sunday, September 22

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. • Tom Are Jr.

2:00 p.m. • Nanette Sawyer

## Worship Leaders

---

Nanette Sawyer, Larry Kerley (9:30), Stephanette Walker (11:00), Nancy Benson-Nicol (9:30), Joseph L. Morrow (11:00), Tom Are Jr.

## The Music Today

---

Morning Choir (9:30), Chancel Choir (11:00)  
The Drum Circle; John Doty, Director  
Tower Brass; Charles Schuchat, Artistic Director  
Michael Rees, Acting Director of Music

## Worship Notes

---

TODAY WE BEGIN THE SERMON SERIES “What Being Presbyterian Teaches Us about Good Governance.” To say one is Presbyterian says less about our theology and more about our polity. Presbyterians have values we believe are important for good governance, and over the next four weeks we will reflect on those values; ask what it means that Jesus is Lord of the whole of life and what implications that has for people of power in all areas of life; and remember how we believe that truth should be pursued and that freedom is always accompanied with responsibility.

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)

---

**Tom Are Jr.** Interim Pastor

Associate Pastors

**Nancy Benson-Nicol** Caring Ministries and Spiritual Formation

**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

**John Buchanan** Pastor Emeritus

SOURCES AND CREDITS: The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession are by Kimberly Long Bracken Long in *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 1* © Presbyterian Publishing Corporation. “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” text © 1978 Hope Publishing Company; music © 1942, ren. 1970 Hope Publishing Company. The affirmation of Faith is © The United Church of Canada. “In the Midst of New Dimensions” text and music © 1994 Julian B. Rush. “Go to the World” text © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc. OneLicense.net. License A-712340. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

**THE FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHICAGO**

Church office: 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014

[www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org) • [www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)

312.787.4570 Voicemail: 312.787.2729

---

Those attending a Fourth Church worship service in person are entering an area where photography, video, and audio recording may occur on behalf of Fourth Church. By entering the worship service, you consent to the non-commercial use of the resulting visual and audio records; you waive all rights you may have to any claims of compensation for the use of these records; you release Fourth Church from any liability for the use of these records; and you waive the right to inspect or approve any of these records.