

Fourth Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany February 23, 2025 • 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Introit

*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: There is reason for joy today,

All: for the steadfast love of God endures forever.

One: There is reason for hope today,

All: for the steadfast love of God endures forever.

One: There is reason to worship today,

All: for the steadfast love of God endures forever.

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

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress; praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.

Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of grace,

Your love was all around this past week.

It was there in the expressions of human kindness,

the laughter of children, the subtle gestures of forgiveness, and the care for the poor.

You were there, but we seldom saw you.

In this week to come, please open our eyes. (Silent Prayer)

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.

Anthem

"My Eyes for Beauty Pine". Robert Bridges (text)/Herbert Howells (music)

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddes grace:

no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:

'tis named when God's name is said, 'tis love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart, that burns with true desire,

is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

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.

One: The grass withers, and the flower fades,

All: but the word of our God shall stand forever.

Sermon

Responding to the Word

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

Just as I am, thy love unknown has broken every barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

*Affirmation of Faith (unison) from A Declaration of Faith (PCUSA)

Jesus was what we are.

He grew up in a family and a society troubled by the common problems of the world.

His knowledge was limited by his time and place in history.

He felt deeply the joy of friendship and the hurt of being rejected.

Jesus prayed, struggled with temptation, knew anger, and was subject to suffering and death.

He was like us in every way except sin.

Iesus was what we should be.

He served God with complete trust and unwavering obedience.

He loved all kinds of people and accepted their love.

In constant dependence upon the Holy Spirit,

Jesus allowed no temptation or threat to keep him from loving God with his whole being and his neighbor as himself.

We recognize in Jesus what God created us to be.

He exposes our failure to live as he lived.

He demonstrates the new humanity God promises to give us through him.

Reception of New Members (9:30)

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

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils. and snares we have already come.

'Twas grace that brought us safe thus far and grace will lead us home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,

to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.

O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,

help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of grace,

not only in what we have chosen to give,

but also through what we have chosen to keep for ourselves, may we live faithfully.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, beyond all thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew, for us, the tempter overthrew.

For us by wickedness betrayed, for us, in crown of thorns arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.

For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent the Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God, for love so deep, so high, so broad: the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

*Charge and Benediction

*Choral Benediction



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 weekly at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Entering the building

A half hour prior to each service the doors open for worship. There is an entrance without steps leading to the Sanctuary on Michigan Avenue, through the glass Loggia doors (between the courtyard and the main Sanctuary doors). There are also two fully accessible entrances: at 126 E. Chestnut—where the reception desk is located—and at 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 \$10 for 6 hours (and \$20 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.

Worshiping Online

We livestream the 9:30 a.m. service each Sunday on our YouTube channel: 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

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.

Survey: Connecting Online

To help us enhance not only our online worship offerings but also other resources and programs, we would appreciate your taking a moment to complete the Online Church Family Survey. Your input is valuable to us whether you connect with Fourth Church online only rarely or all the time. You can find the survey on our website home page (fourthchurch.org) or by scanning this QR code.



Thank you for helping us shape our various online opportunities and ways of building community and connections!

Let Us Know You're Here

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

In person

Those worshiping 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 worshiping 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 be scanned with a phone camera to take you to the form.

Civil Rights Pilgrimage Presentation

Participants in our October Civil Rights Pilgrimage invite you to join them today as they share photos and testimonials from their trip to historic sites in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. The presentation will take place at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Pastor Nominating Committee

To all who suggested candidates for the Pastor Nominating Committe (PNC) to consider, thank you! The PNC received 121 nominations and is considering 49 individuals. As they continue to narrow that field of excellent candidates, the committee is now meeting weekly.

Please join us in ongoing prayer for the PNC and the candidates in this season of discernment.



Faith Formation

Join us on our journey to grow spiritually through worship, educational opportunities, and programs that nurture faith across all ages

Children, Youth, and Family

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.

Also 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.

Youth gatherings

Youth groups meet weekly, with Junior Highs gathering at 9:30 a.m. and Senior Highs meeting at 11:00 a.m., both in the Bumpus Room.

Bible Study

Men's Bible Study

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

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets via Zoom at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m. this Wednesday, February 26. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Youth-Led Worship

Throughout the year our youth contribute to worship leadership as liturgists, Youth Choir members, and ushers. Over the past weeks our Junior High and Senior High Youth Groups have been busy planning the services for next Sunday, March 2. We hope you will be with us as our youth lead us in worship next weekend!

Adult Education

A book discussion of James by Percival Everett

Jeff Doane and John Clum invite you to join them for a discussion of the novel *James* by Percival Everett today (and March 2) at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. Register at bit.ly/aejames2025 for the conversation about this reimagining of Twain's *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* as told from the perspective of Huck's friend, the formerly enslaved Jim.

Meditation

Walking the labyrinth

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is open this week for a time of meditative walking on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Resources for Reflection

Daily devotions

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

"Rhythm and Word" reflections with Tom Are

On Wednesdays we release a brief video and podcast reflection, this month offered by Tom Are. Sign up online at bit.ly/rhythmandword to have the video sent to your inbox or subscribe to our YouTube channel (bit.ly/fpcvideos) to receive notice of new "Rhythm and Word" videos.

Podcasts and Sermons

Podcasts from Fourth Church

Our five-minute "Rhythm and Word" reflections (see above) are now available on multiple podcast platforms and at fourthchurch.org/podcasts

During the week the Sunday worship service and sermon are made available via podcast on those platforms as well.

Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger also invite you to tune in to their "Bible Top Ten" podcast, a lively and informative exploration of the Bible through a rotating series of top ten lists

Reading sermons

To read the text of the previous Sunday morning sermon (or past sermons in our archives), see fourthchurch.org/sermons or subscribe at bit.ly/fpcsermon to receive the sermon by email.

Lent

Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, March 5, we will gather for one worship service at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary and via livestream. Our Ash Wednesday service will include celebration of the Lord's Supper and opportunity for the imposition of ashes.

If you would like to volunteer to impose ashes outside the Sanctuary and greet passersby on Michigan Avenue between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday, sign up at bit.ly/fpcashes25

Path of Discipleship

Path of Discipleship is an invitation to six weeks of spiritual growth in Lent as we read together *Holy Solitude: Lenten Reflections with Saints, Hermits, Prophets, and Rebels* by Heidi Haverkamp. We will gather on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. beginning March 11, with our discussions the middle four weeks on Zoom only. Register at bit.ly/pod2025

Prayer

Sunday Morning Prayer with Deacons

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

Wednesday Morning Prayer

On Wednesdays we gather for Morning Prayer via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. Email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org) for details. To submit a prayer request, email Gloria Fleming (gfleming@fourthchurch.org).

News, Updates, and Snapshots

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**



Community Engagements and Partnerships

Come alongside us as together, through programs and collaboration with partners, we advocate for social and community needs

Chicago Lights Gala of Hope

This Monday, February 24 is the last day to reserve tickets for the 2025 Chicago Lights Gala of Hope, which will be held on Friday, March 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Old Post Office. This annual dinner, dancing, and auction event supports the life-changing work of Tutoring, Summer Day, the Urban Farm, and the Social Service Center—programs of Chicago Lights, the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church.

In addition to the formal dinner Gala program, there will also be a more accessible "Cocktails, Bites, and Chicago Lights" starting at 7:30 p.m. at the same location and including heavy hors d'oeuvres, dessert, and dancing.

For tickets for either Gala event, see chicagolights.org/events or email Katy Frey Bever (kbever@fourthchurch.org) for more details.

Celebrating Black History Month

Our flag and signage—including this week's tribute to Bayard Rustin, a gay Christian and lifelong Quaker who was an instrumental leader in the American civil rights movement and an organizer with Dr. King for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference—bear public witness to the Black history that we honor this month. For related resources and to learn more, stop by the Racial Equity table in Coffee Hour.

Supplies for Our Cuban Siblings

A delegation of Fourth Church members and friends will be visiting our partner church, the First Presbyterian Church of Havana, Cuba, the week of the week of March 10–17.

If you would like to donate supplies needed by the local community served by First Havana, you can order supplies directly from the wish list at bit.ly/cuba32025 by Sunday, March 2 and have them shipped to Fourth Church for our travelers to carry with them. For details, email Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org), Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Community Engagement.

Invitations to Interfaith Iftars

Each year, Muslim families and organizations invite people of other traditions to join them in breaking the daily fast of Ramadan. To find information about interfaith iftars, see fourthchurch.org/connecting/interfaith

Check Out Our Events Page!



Looking to explore upcoming events and opportunities at Fourth Church? Visit our Events page—fourthchurch.org/events—and bookmark it for future reference!



Connections and Belonging

Come connect with others as we foster a welcoming and inclusive community where everyone feels supported in building meaningful relationships

Sunday Morning Fellowship

If you are worshiping 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.

Welcome, New Members!

Welcome, New Members! This morning we are delighted to welcome the newest members of our Fourth Church family: Sanghee Ahn, Laura Anderson, Scott Anderson, Julie Cohen, David Deyhle, Dominique DiVito, Nolan Foley, Rowan Foley, Mary Ann Goeing, Alaina Gresham, Jimmy Gresham, Luke Jossa, Jim Kohler, Karen Kohler, Laurie Miller, Mark Quesada, Joon Song, Elaine Stowe, Jay Stowe, John Walden, and John Yeoman. We are grateful you have chosen to join us in our life together and look forward to continuing to welcome and connect with you in the days ahead!

If you are interested in becoming a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class via Zoom, on Wednesday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. (register at bit.ly/inquirers32025) or in person on Sunday, April 6 at 12:15 p.m. (register at bit.ly/inquirers42025).

Connecting Online

We invite you to explore our wide variety of ways to connect online with one another and Fourth Church: see the story at fourthchurch.org

Final Wishes Workshop

Making arrangements for your time of death can bring peace of mind and support those who will carry out your intentions. The Caring Ministries Council invites you to complete "My Final Wishes for Being Cared for and Remembered" during a drop-in workshop between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 16 in the Manse. Refreshments, favorite hymns, relevant scripture and other planning resources will be provided. Register at bit.ly/mywishes202503

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). 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 a one-to-one listening presence through life challenges, we invite you to consider being paired with a Stephen Minister. To request support from a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Counseling, well-being, and grief groups

To explore options for counseling and well-being, contact our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being (312.787.8425) or visit reploglecenter.org

Calendar for February 23–March 1, 2025

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Room 4G
February 23	9:00 a.m.	New Member Meeting with Session	Room 5G
	9:30 a.m.	Worship	
	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
	10:30 a.m.	A Time of Prayer	Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Room 4G
	11:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	Senior High Gathering	Bumpus Room
	11:00 a.m.	Book Discussion of James	Borwell Dining Room
	12:00 p.m.	A Time of Prayer	Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: February Lunch Meet-Up	Offsite
	12:00 p.m.	Pastor Nominating Committee	Room 5A
	12:15 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Loft
	12:30 p.m.	Civil Rights Pilgrimage Presentation	Borwell Dining Room
	12:30 p.m.	Deacon Calling Ministry	Parish House
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30)	Anderson Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Medical Service	Borwell Dining Room
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool	Classroom B
February 24	9:30 a.m.	Day School Twos Program	Classroom A
	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 French	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Art History	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Bridge	Room 5B
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Yoga	Room 4G / Zoom

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Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study Zoom
February 25	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause Online
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool Classroom B
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	SSC: Drop-In Program Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stage and Screen Room 5G
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Basic Spanish Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch Anderson Hall
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Watercolor and Art Concepts Room 4F / Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) Buchanan Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry Showers
	1:00 p.m.	SSC: Living Room Borwell Dining Room
	1:30 p.m.	SSC: Mindfulness and Meditation Room 4E
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi Anderson Hall Zoom
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring Fifth Floor
	6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting Room 4F
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool
February 26	9:30 a.m.	Day School Twos Program
Tebruary 20	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild Room 5B
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	SSC: Drop-In Program Morse Lounge
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Tap 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 4G
	12:00 p.m.	Women's Noon Bible Study Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) Buchanan Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	SSC: Living Room Borwell Dining Room
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Film Series Room 4G
	3:00 p.m.	CLL: Drawing Zoom
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring Fifth Floor
	6:00 p.m.	AA: LGBTQIA+ Room 4F

Calendar for February 23–March 1, 2025

Thursday February 27	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sandwich-MakingBorwell Dining RoomDay School PreschoolClassroom BDay School Together We PlayClassroom ASSC: Drop-In ProgramMorse LoungeCLL: Silver BarreZoomCLL: Memoir WritingRoom 5A / ZoomCLL: Golden GroovesZoomCLL: Matters of HealthRoom 4E / ZoomMeals Ministry Bag LunchAnderson HallAA MeetingRoom 4FCLL: Memoir WritingRoom 5A / ZoomCLL: Music HistoryZoomLabyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00)Buchanan ChapelSSC: Living RoomBorwell Dining Room
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi Anderson Hall / Zoom
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Oscar Preview Party Room 5G
	3:00 p.m.	CLL: Storytelling 101 Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
	6:00 p.m.	Day School Parent Meeting Randolph Room
	8:00 p.m.	Morning Choir Rehearsal Buchanan Chapel
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool
February 28	9:30 a.m.	SSC: Drop-In Program Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Nia Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	SSC: Living Room Borwell Dining Room
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert Sanctuary / Online
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Hooray for Hooks Fourth-Floor Lounge
	2:00 p.m.	SSC: Art Hour Room 4E
Saturday March 1	8:30 a.m. (No other e	Sacred Pause Online vents are scheduled for Saturday)

Preaching on Sunday, March 2: Youth of Fourth Church

Worship Leaders

Nancy Benson-Nicol, Kim Douglass (9:30), Tom Groos (11:00), Rocky Supinger, Tom Are Jr.

The Music Today

Janelle Lake, Harpist

Morning Choir; Leah Dexter, soloist

Doug Cleveland, Interim Organist and Director of Music

Worship Notes

ABOUT TODAY'S SERMON: In Mark 8:22—10:52 we find a literary section of the Gospel that focuses on discipleship. It begins with Jesus healing the blind man at Bethsaida and concludes with the healing of blind Bartimaeus. This suggests that Mark understands discipleship, at least in part, as seeing the world rightly. All disciples need to have their eyes opened. Another detail: of all the people in Mark's Gospel who are healed, Bartimaeus is the only one whose name we are given. And the name is really important.

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

Tom Are Jr. Interim Pastor

Rocky Supinger Senior Associate 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

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