

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 19, 2026 • 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Toccata and Adagio in C Major, BWV 564 J. S. Bach
Ach wir armen Sünder Matthias Weckmann

Introit

God Be In My Head John Rutter
God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking.
God be at my end and in my departing.

*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: We meet in the presence of God
All: Who knows our needs before we ask,
One: We gather in the love of God
All: Which heals our wounds and forgives our iniquities
One: We are redeemed by the mighty acts of God
All: Which offer us mercy in our brokenness and justice that reconciles us.
One: We bring our whole selves before God.
All: Whom we worship, honor, and adore, this day and forever more.

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

***Hymn #393 O Day of Rest And Gladness**

O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,
O balm for care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;
on you, the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,
sing “Holy, holy, holy” to the great God triune.

On you, at earth’s creation the light first had its birth;
on you, for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;
on you, our Lord victorious sent Spirit forth from heaven.
And thus on you, most glorious, a triple light was given.

On you, God’s people, meeting, the Holy Scripture hear,
Christ’s living presence greeting, through bread and wine made near.
New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest,
we reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious Creator, you created this world and called it good, and out of it called a pilgrim people, chosen to abide with you and to bear witness to your reality. Yet we, who have been called “Beloved” by you, often find ourselves making peace with what does not give peace. Meet us in our weakness; turn our unwilling eyes upon our unruly hearts. Draw us away from our love of power, our tolerance of injustice, our ignorance of suffering. Drive us towards what is fearfully and wonderfully made, so that we may inspire hope, offer forgiveness, and love our neighbors through faithful living, according to the way of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

One: Friends, believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: 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.

Children age three through 5th grade are invited to come forward during the passing of the peace.

Time with Children

Children depart for Sunday School with their teachers.

Welcome

Please take a moment to let us know you are worshiping 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

I Shall Not Be Moved Arr. Alice Parker
Glory Hallelujah, I shall not be moved, anchored in Jehovah, I shall not be moved. Just like a tree that's planted by the waters, I shall not be moved. In His love abiding, I shall not be moved, and in Him confiding, I shall not be moved. Just like a tree that's planted by the waters, I shall not be moved. Though all hell assail me, I shall not be moved, Jesus will not fail me, I shall not be moved. Just like a tree that's planted by the waters, I shall not be moved. Though the tempest rages, I shall not be moved, on the Rock of Ages, I shall not be moved. Just like a tree that's planted by the waters, I shall not be moved.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Matthew 18: 15-22

One: The Word of the Lord.

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 Scripture Lesson Matthew 18: 23-35

Sermon

Holy Practices for Life in the Real World: Forgive Rocky Supinger

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn #720 Jesus Calls Us**

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."
Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."
In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."
Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

***Affirmation of Faith Adapted from Colossians 3:12-15**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, we clothe ourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, meekness, and patience; bear with one another and,
if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other;
just as the Lord has forgiven us, so we also must forgive. Above all,
we clothe ourselves with love, which binds everything together
in perfect harmony. Amen.

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

I Will Praise the Lord Shaker Song arr. Ross Updegraff

I will praise the Lord all the day long. It shall be my morn and evening song, Lodle lo lo lo.

Come all ye saints and praise the Lord, proclaim the goodness of his word. Lodle lo lo lo.

***Offertory Response Hymn #33 Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show**

Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia! Saints within God's courts below, Alleluia!

Angels round the throne above, Alleluia! All who see and share God's love. Alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Holy God, we thank you for the power given through Christ to forgive others
as we have been forgiven. We present our tithes and offerings in joyful
thanksgiving for all the blessings we have received from you. Use them and us
as instruments of your peace in this world longing for grace and love. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn #547 Go, My Children, with My Blessing**

"Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."

"Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

"Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.

Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.

Here my Spirit's power filled you; here my tender comfort stilled you.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Go Now in Peace Robert Lau
Go now in peace, and may God's peace go with you. Believe, and trust God's holy word. Amen.

Postlude

Fugue in C Major, BWV 564 J. S. Bach

SUSTAINABILITY

Investing in Church Management and Direction

At Fourth Church, the Board of Trustees is committed to ensuring that our financial resources sustain the vibrant ministries that serve our congregation and community. This month, we highlight our investment in **Church Management and Direction**—the people, processes, and stewardship that enable Fourth Church to fulfill its mission.

Our pastors and senior leaders provide vision and direction for the church's ministries while ensuring the long-term health and vitality of the congregation. Together with dedicated staff, they oversee financial stewardship, human resources, communications, worship planning, and the many administrative functions that support every aspect of church life. Under the senior leaders, these teams ensure that Fourth Church's ministries operate with excellence, accountability, and care.

Beyond Sunday worship, the Fourth Church campus is active seven days a week with ministries for children, youth, adults, and the wider community. More than 130 full- and part-time employees support these programs through their expertise, service, training, and daily commitment. In 2026, the budget for Church Leadership and Operations is **\$2,543,000**, providing the resources needed to coordinate, administer, and guide the church's ongoing ministry.

This essential work is made possible through your generosity. Approximately **85%** of these costs are funded through congregational giving, with the remaining **15%** supported by program fees and designated gifts. Your faithful support provides the leadership and infrastructure that make every ministry of Fourth Church possible.

Whether you have been a member for many years or are worshiping with us for the first time, thank you for partnering in this shared ministry.

Each month, the Board of Trustees shares insights into the many ministries and activities supported by Fourth Church. For questions, please email trustees@FourthChurch.org.

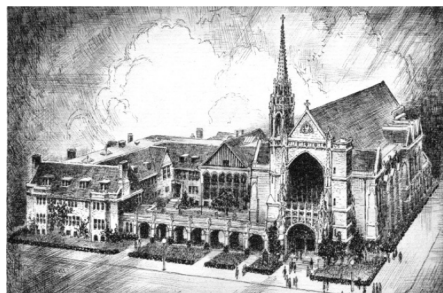
YOU BELONG HERE

Whether this is your first time worshipping at Fourth Presbyterian Church or you worship here regularly and call Fourth Church “home,” we are grateful you are here today. Inspired by the **radical hospitality of Jesus Christ**, we welcome everyone—without exception—into the life of this congregation.

Wherever you are in your faith journey, and whatever questions or burdens you carry, we affirm that God’s love is for everyone.

You belong here.

Each Sunday we gather to hear biblical stories, sing hymns of faith, and engage the world around us through prayer, worship, and preaching. As we connect the story of our lives with the story of Christ’s life, we discover



hope and joy and are inspired to reflect the light of Christ in our city as we live out our calling to love God and love one another.

Guided by our Antiracism Covenant, we seek to embrace values and practices that help us experience **Beloved Community**, where

differences are recognized as assets, celebrated, and experienced as strengths.

WORSHIPING IN PERSON AT FOURTH CHURCH



Let Us Know You’re Here!

All worshipers are invited to check in through the Church Center app (our church’s app for staying connected, exploring events, and check-in).

Please check in through Church Center to let us know you’re worshipping with us today. It’s an easy way to stay connected with our faith community. If you’re checking in for the first time, you can download the Church Center app from the Apple or Android app store or access it through our website homepage at FourthChurch.org

Sound

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

FIRST-TIME VISITOR



If you’re a first-time visitor at Fourth Church, we want to get to know you. Scan this QR code to complete our first-time visitor form or add your name to one of the pew pads.

WORSHIPING ONLINE

Livestream

Watch the 10:00 a.m. service live or anytime on our YouTube channel: bit.ly/fpconline



Check In

Let us know you’re worshipping online today. Scan the QR code to submit our online check-in form.

Online Giving

Make an offering online at FourthChurch.org/giving

Phone Access (10:00 a.m.)

Listen to worship by phone for those without internet access: 888-916-9166.

Online Coffee Hour (following worship)

Join us via Zoom for conversation and connection: bit.ly/coffeehourfpc

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT ONLINE

Whether you live out of state, are traveling, worshipping from home, or simply want to enrich your online experience—we invite you to explore opportunities to deepen your faith and strengthen your connection with others at FourthChurch.org/online/connections.

CELEBRATING TOGETHER AT COFFEE HOUR

Please join us today for Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall and the Gignilliat Commons after worship.

Welcoming Andrew Herbruck

Fourth's New Organist and Director of Music

Sunday, July 26 | Coffee Hour Following Worship

Following worship on Sunday, July 26, please join us for a special Coffee Hour as we welcome Andrew Herbruck, Fourth Church's new Organist and Director of Music.

As Andrew leads music in worship for the first time that morning, we look forward to celebrating this new chapter in the life of our congregation. Please stop by Anderson Hall after worship to greet Andrew, introduce yourself, and help us extend Andrew a warm Fourth Church welcome.

Celebrating Pastor Nanette Sawyer's Ministry and New Call

Sunday, August 9 | Immediately Following the Congregational Meeting

Following worship and the brief congregational meeting on Sunday, August 9, please join us for a special Coffee Hour Reception honoring Pastor Nanette's ten years of faithful ministry at Fourth Church. Together we will offer our gratitude, share our best wishes, and mark this new chapter as she begins her ministry at First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville.

Please note: This special celebration will replace the previously scheduled Fourth Church Picnic.

Everyone is welcome.

SANCTUARY TOURS

Today, following worship, discover the rich history and architecture of Fourth Church's Sanctuary with member Ken Hazlett, who will lead a 15-minute presentation followed by a guided tour.

Tours will take place following worship at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, July 19, August 9, and August 30.

CHURCH CENTER UPDATE

To ensure you receive the latest news and updates from Fourth Church, please take a moment to verify and update your contact information in Church Center.



To update your Church Center profile, scan this QR code. Once you are logged in, you can easily update your address, phone number, and email. Thank you for helping us keep our records current!

Church Center is our new primary tool for event registration and engagement.

You can now use Church Center to check in for worship and view the church calendar. Worship check-ins take place through the app; Sunday School check-ins take place at the check-in station in the Gratz Center's Gignilliat Lobby (by the elevators).

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Pastoral Care

If you have a prayer request or would like to alert the pastoral staff to a care need, illness, hospitalization, or death, please contact the church office at 312.787.4570 or email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@FourthChurch.org). For emergencies, please call the church to be connected with the Minister on Call.

Fourth Church maintains a practice of praying for each member's household throughout the year. On Wednesday mornings, you are invited to gather for Morning Prayer via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. to pray for members by name, all those who are in need, and mission partners around the world. For details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@FourthChurch.org)

Morning Prayer

Join us on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom as we pray for members of our congregation, those in need, and mission partners around the world. If you are interested in joining, please email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@FourthChurch.org) to receive the link.

Connections and Belonging

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

MUSIC AT FOURTH

Join us each Friday in July and August in our courtyard. This week's concert on July 24 will feature jazz vocalist, Elaine Dame.

For a full list of concerts this summer, please visit FourthChurch.org/concerts

Summer Noonday Concerts by the Fountain
Each Friday through August 28 | 12:10 p.m.

In the case of inclement weather, outdoor concerts will be moved indoors to the Sanctuary.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

There are two ways to support the Women at Fourth Back-to-School Drive! You can make a financial gift to help purchase backpacks and school supplies for Chicago Lights students, or volunteer with Women at Fourth on Sunday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 4G to help assemble the backpacks. Pizza will be served.



To make a gift, please scan the QR code and select "Belonging Ministries (School Supply Drive)." Thank you for helping Chicago Lights students start the school year prepared and ready to learn!

To volunteer and for more information, please contact Nanette Sawyer, nsawyer@FourthChurch.org

INTERGENERATIONAL MEN'S GATHERING

Men of all ages are invited to gather and connect in a relaxed setting to engage in a facilitated conversation about living out faith in daily life.



All Ages Men's Gathering
July 26 | 11:30 a.m.
Room 5G

Register ahead if you can using the QR code.

CENTER FOR LIFE AND LEARNING

Summer Session Registration

It's not too late! Registration for the Center for Life and Learning's Summer Session is still open.

The 7-week session just began on July 13 and offers a wide range of classes in art, music, language learning, mindfulness, and wellness. Classes are available both in-person and online. For more information or to register, visit FourthChurch.org/cll

CLL Dance for Hunger

Join Center for Life and Learning instructor Anne Pringle Burnell for a fun, energizing dance class while supporting the Chicago Lights Social Service Center and its efforts to help feed our neighbors in need.

To register, scan the QR code.



CLL Dance for Hunger

Monday, July 20 | 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Anderson Hall

Admission is two nonperishable food items, which will be donated to the Social Service Center.

ARTIST TALKS IN JULY

Artist Talk by Dorothy Straughter

Following worship today, join art quilter Dorothy Straughter in Buchanan Chapel for a presentation of her American History Quilts, which explore Black history through fiber arts.

American History Quilts

Artist Talk by Dorothy Straughter

July 19 | 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Buchanan Chapel

Free

Save the Date for our next Artist Talk



Artist Talk by Dorothy Bury Shaw

July 26 | 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Borwell Dining Room

Free

Please register by scanning the QR code.

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 a quieter space, the Hospitality Suite (2nd floor, Gratz Center) offers a place where the service is livestreamed.

Nursery Care

Nursery care is available during morning worship for infants through age two (4th floor, Gratz Center).

Summer Sunday School

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School following Children's Time in the Sanctuary. Classes meet on the 4th floor of the Gratz Center.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

Holy Practices for Life in the Real World Sundays through August 30

Life is busy. The demands on our time, attention, and energy can leave us feeling disconnected from ourselves, one another, and God.

This summer, we are exploring **Holy Practices for Life in the Real World**—a sermon series focused on simple, meaningful Christian practices that help us live with greater purpose, peace, connection, and faith. Together, we will reflect on Jesus' invitation to slow down, reconnect, and grow in our relationship with God and one another.

Join us each Sunday as we discover practical ways to cultivate a deeper and more abundant life.

YOUTH TRIP TO SIX FLAGS

Join the Fourth Church Youth Group (6th-12th graders) at Six Flags Great America on August 12. Spend the day at the "Thrill Capital of the Midwest" riding roller coasters, seeing spectacular shows, and more fun.



Wednesday, August 12

10:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

1 Great American Pkwy, Gurnee

\$65 or free with season pass

To register, scan this QR code.

Getting there: Attendees should plan to arrange their own transportation to and from Six Flags.

DAILY DEVOTIONS



Daily Devotions

Start your day with reflections written by our pastors and church members.

Subscribe to receive daily devotions by email by visiting: bit.ly/fpcdevotions or scan this QR code.

ZOOM BIBLE STUDIES

To receive information on how to join, email Pastor Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@FourthChurch.org).

Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

Summer Women's Bible Study

Keeping Your Heart in Tune with Whatever Life Brings
July 22, and August 12 and 26 | 12:00 p.m.

Climate Justice Climate Hope: Building a Moral Economy

July 22, and August 12 and 26 | 6:00 p.m.

2026-27 CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration is now open for the 2026–2027 Confirmation class. Confirmation prepares young people to become members of Fourth Church through exploration of faith and Christianity, learning what it means to be an active part of a faith community, and discovering what it means to love your neighbor through service.



Youth entering 8th grade and older are invited to register.

To register, scan this QR code.

Community Engagements and Partnerships

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Meals Ministry

Meals Ministry is seeking volunteers to help serve meals on Sundays and Mondays to our neighbors in need this summer. Volunteers assist with setting up the dining room, serving meals and beverages, and helping with cleanup.

Sundays: Volunteers are needed from 3:00–6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.



Mondays: Volunteers are needed from 3:30–6:00 p.m. to help serve a meal at Catholic Charities (721 N. LaSalle St.). To sign up, via VOMO, please scan this QR code.

Coffee Hour Hosts (Anderson Hall)

Following Sunday worship, Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall offers a time for connection and community. Hosts help prepare and serve refreshments, welcome guests, and assist with light setup and cleanup. We are especially in need of additional volunteers this summer.

You do not need to be a member of Fourth Church to volunteer and serve — all are welcome.

To learn more or sign up, please contact Robert Crouch, Director, Volunteer Ministry, at rcrouch@FourthChurch.org or 312-981-3382.

URBAN FARM

Get your favorite produce at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm this summer! Choose from a variety of locally grown, seasonal vegetables, herbs, and even flowers. Every purchase from the Farmstand directly supports the Urban Farm's job-training programs while helping strengthen our local food system and the economy.

For more information, please visit the Chicago Lights website chicagolights.org/urban-farm

Urban Farm Farmstand

Saturdays through October 31 | 1:00–3:00 p.m.
444 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago

CHICAGO LIGHTS SUMMER DAY



Save the Date! Join us on Friday, July 31, at 1:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel as Chicago Lights Summer Day students celebrate the conclusion of this year's Summer Day program with a special performance and art showcase.

Now in its 45th year, Summer Day provides Chicago youth with a vibrant summer experience filled with academic support, enrichment, and community. Come cheer on these incredible students as they showcase all they've learned and accomplished this summer!

THE CHICAGO IMMIGRATION STORY

The 2026 Galloway Lecture: The Chicago Immigration Story

Featuring Rev. David Black of First Presbyterian Church of Chicago and immigration attorney, Maureen Graves.

Join us for the 2026 Galloway Lecture as Rev. David Black and Maureen Graves share perspectives on immigration in Chicago and beyond. Drawing on their work with immigrants and asylum seekers, they will explore the challenges, opportunities, and stories shaping our immigrant communities today. The lecture will take place in Buchanan Chapel, followed by lunch in Borwell Dining Room.



Saturday, July 25, 2026

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Lecture (free)

Buchanan Chapel

12:45–1:30 p.m. Lunch \$30

To register, scan this QR code.

Worship Leaders

Rocky Supinger, Joe Morrow, Nancy Benson-Nicol, Nanette Sawyer

Beadle: Tim Schellhardt

Liturgist: Nancy Bartell

The Music Today

Ross Updegraff, guest organist

Summer Choir

Today's Offertory Anthem is a Shaker song included in Manuscript F from Enfield, Connecticut, that our Guest Organist, Ross, came across. He adapted this melody into the arrangement that we hear in today's service.

Fourth Church Calendar



Stay up to date with worship services, programs, and special events by visiting the full Fourth Church online calendar. Scan the QR code or visit the link below to view upcoming events.

FourthChurch.org/calendar

Giving to Support the Ministry of Fourth Church



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 can also be given online (FourthChurch.org/give), or via Venmo (@Fourth-Church).

Camille Cook Howe Pastor

Rocky Supinger Senior Associate Pastor

Nancy Benson-Nicol Associate Pastor

Matt Helms Associate Pastor

Joseph L. Morrow Associate Pastor

Nanette Sawyer Associate Pastor

Amy Pagliarella Parish Associate for Caring Ministries

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Sunday parking is available at 900 N. Michigan (access from Rush or Walton; online payment only) for \$11 for up to 6 hours between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. when using the Metropolis Parking app (iPhone) or metropolis.io/join (Android) to scan the discount QR code at left no more than 10 minutes before leaving the garage. The code is also available on cards from the ushers; you might leave a card in your car for future Sunday use.

Sunday parking is available at the Hancock garage (enter from Delaware or Chestnut) for \$10 between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. by using a validation ticket from the ushers.