## **News and Resources**

July 4-July 10, 2021

We are glad to be worshiping with you today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church!

\*\* Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. \*\* We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.



On the Fourth Church campus, **masks and social distancing** are required for anyone not vaccinated against COVID-19; for worshipers on site who have received the COVID vaccine, the wearing of masks during worship is optional. \*\* For those worshiping with us in person, we are not checking vaccination status, but **by entering the Fourth Church campus you certify** that (a) you do not currently have COVID-19; (b) you are not experiencing COVID symptoms; (c) you have no reason to quarantine; and (d) you will wear a mask and practice social distancing if you are not vaccinated against COVID-19.



We are offering two in-person worship services throughout the summer as we gradually reopen our campus: a 10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary and a 4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel. \* In the Sanctuary, the front section is for those required to or choosing to wear masks, with socially distanced seating by households. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating, with masks optional. Seating for Jazz at Four is set up for social distancing. \* Due to health guidelines, congregational singing is not permitted in the Sanctuary or Chapel; those who would like to hum while the choir members sing the hymns are invited to do so.



**Nursery care** is not available at this time. Sunday School continues to meet via Zoom; for details, email Briana Belding-Peck (bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org). \* Worship can be heard in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids. \* Please silence electronic devices when in the Sanctuary.

**You can read more** about the guidelines in place for in-person worship as well as information about continued online opportunities **at www.fourthchurch.org/reopening** 

For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we continue to livestream our morning worship service at 10:00 a.m. at www.bit.ly/FPCworship, Facebook Live (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and YouTube (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos). (*The prelude begins at approximately 9:45 a.m.*) The service is also available for viewing after the service, including later in the week. \* Those without Internet access are invited to listen to the morning service via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at the time of the service. \* During the week we make the service and sermon available via podcast on iTunes and Spotify (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast).



The church campus remains closed as we continue to develop our reopening plans. \* On Sundays the **doors open for worship** at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (a half hour before each service starts). For the morning service, access is only by the Michigan Avenue doors. For the Jazz at Four service, access is only by the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center.



**Sunday parking** is available at 900 N. Michigan (access from Rush or Walton) at the rate of \$9 between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and at the Hancock garage (875 N. Michigan, enter from Delaware or Chestnut) at the rate of \$10 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from an usher.



After morning worship today we will host our **last virtual Coffee Hour** for the summer. This time of online fellowship will take place via Zoom following the postlude (*around 11:00 a.m.*) at www.bit.ly/fpcfellowship (*Zoom details are also posted at www.fourthchurch.org*). You can participate in Coffee Hour by phone as well: dial 312.626.6799 and enter meeting ID number 963 5583 1751#.

Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks by Diana Butler Bass will be the topic of an inperson discussion at the First Tuesday Book Club hosted by the Adult Education Committee on Tuesday, July 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 5G. Preregistration at www.bit.ly/fpcbookclub070621 is required as space is limited. Masks will be required for all participating. \* Men's Bible Study meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., and Horizons Bible Study for women next meets online on Wednesday, July 14 at 12:00 p.m. For Zoom details for either study, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). \* TwentiesThirties Bible Study for young adults meets online on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. For details, email Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org).



To purchase fresh produce and support the work of students and young adults gaining on-site job skills at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm, stop by their Farmstand on Fridays between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. (444 W. Chicago Ave.). Guests are required to wear a face covering and practice social distancing while at the Farm. \* The annual School Supply Drive will be starting soon! Again this year we will be collecting supplies (via Amazon wishlists) for Chicago Light's Urban Farm, Dance Academy, and Summer Day programs. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org). \* Fourth Church Meals Ministry is in need of volunteers to help with Saturday breakfast to-go, the weekday Bag Lunch program, Sunday Night Supper, and Monday Night Supper. If you are able to help with one or more of these meals, please let us know via VOMO, our Volunteer Ministry sign-up platform at www.bit.ly/fpcvolunteers



Our **Music by the Fountain** series of outdoor, in-person concerts kicks off with the Jazz at Four Quartet this Friday, July 9 at 12:10 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard! While we will not be livestreaming our outdoor concerts this summer, if you would prefer to enjoy music from Fourth Church online, we encourage you to explore the concert offerings on our YouTube channel: www. bit.ly/fpcvideos \*\* Registration is open through September 1, 2021, for those interested in joining Fourth Church and our interfaith partners for "**Peace and Compassion: A Music and Travel Seminar Trip to the Middle East,"** which is planned for June 2022. To register or learn about fees, travel arrangements, and other logistics for this trip to Israel, Palestine, and Jordan, email John Sherer (*jsherer@fourthchurch.org*) or Nanette Sawyer (*nsawyer@fourthchurch.org*).

**The Fourth Church Legacy Society** is made up of friends of Fourth Church who have chosen to make a **commitment to the church's future mission and ministry** by remembering the church in their estate plans. Those who are interested in learning more about supporting Fourth Church and Chicago Lights as well as other estate-planning opportunities are encouraged to explore the online resources on our website at www.bit.ly/fpclegacyinfo or contact Katy Frey Bever (kbever@fourthchurch.org).



On Wednesdays we gather for Morning Prayer via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. For details, email Carol Allerton (callerton@fourthchurch.org). \* Also each Wednesday we release a new "Rhythm and Word: Midweek Music and Prayer" video. These fifteen-minute worship experiences on YouTube (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos) weave together scripture, prayer, and music offered by the Jazz at Four Quartet. To receive the videos by email, sign up at www.bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail



A **virtual Sacred Pause** time of meditation is hosted by our Replogle Center on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing \*
Written by members and staff, **daily devotional meditations** for your personal time of prayer and reflection are available by email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) as well as online (www.fourthchurch.org/devotions), via Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and Twitter (twitter.com/fourthchicago).



For those who are facing one or more of life's many challenges or transitions, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. If you would like to have a one-time phone conversation with a Stephen Minister or arrange for ongoing talks, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. \* To explore options for teletherapy, call our **Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being** at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260. \* If you would like **to talk to a pastor** or notify the pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please call the church (312.787.4570). \* **If you have a prayer request,** Dave Handley (*dhandley@fourthchurch.org*) is receiving these requests as part of our Morning Prayer and Deacon Prayer Ministries.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Fourth Church**, please email Joe Morrow (*jmorrow@ fourthchurch.org*). \* Watch our website (**www.fourthchurch.org**) and follow us on Facebook (**facebook.com/fourthchurch**) and Instagram (**instagram.com/fourthchurch**) for resources and ways to connect. \* Online events are posted on the **church calendar**, which is accessible from the home page of our website and at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar



The congregation of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago was officially dedicated in worship on the morning of February 12, 1871. Thus on the second Sunday of February 2021 we kicked off **our sesquicentennial celebration!** (You can watch that February 14 worship service online on our YouTube channel: www.bitl.y/fpcvideos.) We encourage you to visit the web page devoted to our 150th anniversary—www.fourthchurch.org/150—where you can read our short monthly historical accounts and letters from Chicago's faith leaders. There you can also hear greetings from Fourth Church friends from across the globe and view videos of pastors who formerly served at Fourth Church as they share their memories of their time with our congregation. These collections will continue to grow over the coming year, so be sure to check back periodically.



**As part of our care for our buildings,** stone masons are currently assessing the condition of the 107-year-old decorative stonework on the Sanctuary and Cloister. The scaffolding on campus is part of that work.

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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—including the weekly live stream of the Sunday morning service. 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.

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