News and Resources

October 2-8, 2022

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.



Although wearing a mask is not required at Fourth Church, we as a community have made a commitment to be a mask-welcoming campus, encouraging the wearing of masks by anyone who wants or needs to wear one. As a mask-welcoming campus, we remain committed to ensuring no one will feel out of place should they choose to wear a mask while at Fourth Church.

** In the Sanctuary, the front section on the pulpit side is for those required to or choosing to practice social distancing, and everyone sitting in that section is required to wear a mask. The remainder of the Sanctuary is open seating.



For those who prefer to worship online or who are unable to join us in person, we livestream our morning service at 10:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel (www.bit.ly/fpcvideos), where the service is also available for viewing afterwards. **** 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 10:00 a.m. Sunday service and sermon available via podcast on iTunes and Spotify (www.bit.ly/FPCpodcast). ** You can also receive the previous Sunday's sermon text by email by subscribing online at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons ** We also invite you to use our daily devotions, written by members and staff, as a resource for reflection. These devotions are posted at fourthchurch.org/devotions; to receive them via email, subscribe at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions ** For additional biblical exploration, listen in as Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger discuss the "Bible Top Ten" in their podcast by that title (fourthchurch.org/podcast), with new episodes released every other Tuesday.

Ensure you receive the latest updates from Fourth Church by adding your email address to our distribution list. Simply sign up at **www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc**

If you would like to join us for in-person worship, we gather each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and at 4:00 p.m. for our Jazz at Four service in Buchanan Chapel. ** Next Sunday, October 9 is the day of the Chicago Marathon. Directions on the easiest routes for getting to Fourth Church that morning can be found online (www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf). ** On Sundays the doors open for worship a half hour prior to the service. For the morning service, access is by the Michigan Avenue doors to the Sanctuary and the Delaware doors to the Gratz Center. 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 for 6 hours between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (and \$18 for up to 12 hours) 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. ** During the morning service nursery care is available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center. ** Worship can be heard in the Sanctuary and Chapel through the "T" or "T-coil" setting of hearing aids. ** Please silence electronic devices during worship.



Following worship, a pipe organ tour begins at 11:15 a.m. at the front of the Sanctuary ** Also following worship, Deacons are available in Stone Chapel (through the door to the right of the pulpit) to pray with individuals who would like to offer prayers of praise or concern. ** We also gather on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for Morning Prayer via Zoom and at 10:00 a.m. for in-person Morning Prayer in Buchanan Chapel. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org). ** The Chapel is open for opportunity to walk the labyrinth between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. For information about the labyrinth, email Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org). ** A Sacred Pause time of meditation is hosted virtually by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing



Shannon Kershner will preach on the theme of **recommitment to self and others** on Yom Kippur, this Wednesday, October 5 at 11:00 a.m. as part of the interfaith **Beloved Community High Holy Day Experience** at Trinity United Church of Christ (400 W. 95th St.). For a schedule or to register to attend, see www.open.judaism.org/highholydays **** Men's Bible Study** meets online on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. **Women's Bible Study**—which offers two Zoom gathering times (12:00 and 6:30 p.m.) on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month—next meets on Wednesday, October 12. For Zoom details for Bible studies, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

We ask that those worshiping with us in person take a moment to sign the pew information pads so that we might know you are here. Then please pass the pad down your pew so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name. ** Those worshiping in person are also invited to greet one another during Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall and the Commons following the service. ** For additional ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church, whether in person or online, as well as for various resources, watch our website (www.fourthchurch.org) and Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch). ** Events are posted on our church calendar, accessible from our website's home page and at www.fourthchurch.org/calendar



For those facing life's challenges, **Stephen Ministers** provide a listening presence and regular spiritual support. 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 **talk to a pastor** or **notify the pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, or deaths, please email caringministries@ fourthchurch.org; if the situation is an emergency or requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ** To **submit a prayer request** to our Morning Prayer or Deacon Prayer Ministries, please email caringministries@fourthchurch.org



LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome will gather for brunch today following 10:00 a.m. worship, with all who would like to join meeting at the church reception desk to walk together to a nearby restaurant. ** New Zoom Small Groups* are starting again this month. If you would like to connect with five to seven other people via Zoom for a time of fellowship, relationship building, and spiritual formation or would like more information about small group opportunities, please email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org) ** The Knitting and Crocheting group* meets this Tuesday, October 4 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5B. ** The Choral Society is looking for more individuals who like to sing to join in performing Mahler's Second Symphony "Resurrection" with organist David Briggs on Friday, November 11. Weekly rehearsals will begin this Thursday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. ** Cornerstones, a fellowship group for those fifty and over, meets for dinner and a program this Friday, October 7 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Members of Fourth Church's Racial Equity Council and Joe Morrow will talk about their experiences on the Est. 1619 Pilgrimage to Charleston, South Carolina. Register (required) for the gathering at www.bit.ly/ cfpc1022 ** Books by Women will meet on Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

Today is World Communion Sunday, a day when worshipers around the world gather for the Lord's Supper, enacting the words of the hymn "Come, Risen Lord": "One church united in communion blest; one name we bear, one bread of life we break." ** This Sunday reminds us that God's love can heal our deepest divisions, and so each World Communion Sunday we receive a Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering. Gifts designated to this offering will be directed to efforts toward peacemaking that are supported by the Presbyterian Church (USA) as well as local efforts to address violence in Chicago. These gifts can be made at www fourthchurch org/give-online; by a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church, with "Peace Offering" in the memo line; or by using the Peacemaking envelopes in the pew racks. ** Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is delivering aid to those impacted by recent hurricanes; these outreach efforts will continue, providing emotional and spiritual care as well as long-term recovery assistance. To support the work of PDA in responding to the damage caused by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian and in remaining engaged during the hurricane season, you can make a gift to PDA at www.bit.ly/pdahurricane



Our 2023 stewardship campaign invites all of us to pledge our support for the life-giving mission and ministry of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. Please plan to submit your 2023 pledge—which you can make at www.bit.ly/fpcclpledge—by Commitment Sunday, October 30, when we celebrate all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives.



The First Tuesday Book Club invites you to join them via Zoom this Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m. for a conversation about *Tears We Cannot Stop* by Michael Eric Dyson. Register at www.bit.ly/ firsttuesday1022 for details. ** Adult education classes meet in Borwell Dining Room today: "Ukraine and the Orthodox Church" at 9:00 a.m. and "Sound of the Genuine" at 11:15 a.m. ** On Tuesday, October 18 we will be hosting a Michigan Avenue Forum: "The 1619 Project Revisited: Race, History, and the Future—A Conversation with Nikole Hannah-Jones and Natalie Moore." This 7:00 p.m. program in the Sanctuary (which will also be livestreamed on YouTube) will feature Pulitzer Prize—winning journalist and author of the New York Times' 1619 Project, Nikole Hannah-Jones, together with WBEZ's Natalie Moore.



Tutors are needed on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evenings to partner with Chicago Lights Tutoring students. For details, contact Mark Dennison (*mdennison@chicagolights.org*). ** To **help tie purple ribbons** on the Michigan Avenue fence this Tuesday, October 4 as part of our observance of **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, email scrow@fourthchurch.org