

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."**

Let us know you're worshiping with us

Please let us know you are here by filling out an information form. Those worshiping with us via livestream will find **a link to the online form**—which takes only 20 seconds to complete!—included in the descriptive text below the video (*after exiting full-screen view*); a QR code is also displayed during the "Welcome and Announcements" that can be scanned with a phone camera to take you to the form. Those worshiping with us in person are asked to use the **information pads in the pews**, passing them down the pew so worshipers have opportunity to greet one another by name following the service.

Joining us online

Each Sunday our worshiping body is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews. We **livestream our 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services** on our YouTube channel (*www.bit.ly/fpcvideos*), where they can be viewed any time after the services begin. (*For tips on how to watch—from the beginning—a service that is already in progress, see fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning*) *** Links** to make an online offering gift, view or print the worship bulletin, and more can be found in the descriptive text below the video as well as on our website. ***** Those **without Internet access** are invited to listen via phone by calling 888.916.9166 at 9:30 a.m.

Joining us in person

If you like to join us for **in-person worship**, we gather on Sundays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. **** 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. During the morning services **nursery care** is available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center for infants through two-year-olds. ****** A half hour prior to each 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*); at 126 E. Chestnut; and at 115 E. Delaware. **** Worship can be heard** through "T" or "T-coil" settings of hearing aids. ****** Please silence **electronic devices** during worship. **** 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*) 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 ushers.

Prayer, meditation, and sermons

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. ****** Each Wednesday we gather at 9:30 a.m. for **Morning Prayer via Zoom**; on the first Wednesday of the month (May 1) we gather at 10:00 a.m. for our monthly **in-person Morning Prayer** in Buchanan Chapel. For Zoom details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (*nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org*). ****** 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. ****** You are also invited to a **Sacred Pause time of meditation** offered 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 ****** During the week the Sunday morning **service and sermon is made available via podcast** on multiple platforms and at **fourthchurch.org/podcasts **** You can also receive the previous Sunday morning's **sermon text** (*fourthchurch.org/sermons*) **by email** by subscribing at www.bit.ly/fpcsermons.

Pastor Nominating Committee

Please take a moment today to submit your suggestions of individuals to serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC), as **April 7 is the deadline** for submissions. **Forms for self-nomination and for recommending someone else** can be found at fourthchurch.org/pnc, where you will also find information about PNC responsibilities and the process of selecting a PNC. The election of a **Pastor Nominating Committee** later this spring will be the first step in our search for a new pastor. Your suggestions of individuals to serve on that committee will help the Nominating Committee prepare a slate of recommended PNC candidates to present for election.

Sunday opportunities

If you are worshiping with us in person, we encourage you to stop by **Coffee Hour** in Anderson Hall following the service to greet each other and learn about ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church. **# If you are a young adult,** please visit the Young Adult Ministry table in Coffee Hour to connect with others in their twenties and thirties. **** Sunday School** for children from three years old to fifth grade meets at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center. ** Rehearsing on Sundays are Children's Choir (kindergarten-grade 5) at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4G; Cherub **Choir** (ages 3 and 4) at 10:15 a.m. in Room 4B; **Youth Choir** (grades 6–12) at 10:30 a.m. in Room 4G; the Handbell Choir at 12:15 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel Loft; and Voices of Light, our gospel choir, at 12:15 p.m. in Room 4G. * Eighth-grade **Confirmation** meets at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G. **Junior High** (grades 6–7) gathers at 9:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room, where Senior High meets at 11:00 a.m. Youth family **breakfast** takes place at 10:30 a.m. the 5C lounge. **# "Dying Well,"** a one-session class presented by HD Mitchell, meets in person and via Zoom at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. For Zoom details, register at www.bit.ly/aedyingwell **# "Sermon Discussion and Fellowship**" led by Matt Helms meets in person on April Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Registration for upcoming Sundays is requested at www.bit.ly/sermondiscussion424 so we can ensure we have plenty of refreshments. ** Following the 11:00 service a **pipe organ tour** begins at the front of the Sanctuary ***** We invite you to join us this afternoon for The Gathering: Communion at 2:00, a casual, intimate service.

Get connected

Jim Wallis will talk about his new book, *The False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy,* on Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary (*in person only*). A book signing will follow. **# Men's Bible Study** meets via Zoom at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesdays; *Horizons* Women's Bible Study meets via Zoom this Wednesday, April 10 at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m. For details, email Simon Crow (*scrow@fourthchurch.org*). **# Books by Women** will discuss *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus this Tuesday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. **#** Benevolent Guild, which creates sewn and crafted items for those in need, meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B. *Sewing experience is not necessary*. **#** An **Art Hour Showcase** will feature the work of Chicago Lights **Social Service Center** participants on Thursday, April 11 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. **#** The Adult Education class **"Troublesome Texts and Gender:** Interpretive Strategies across the Abrahamic Faiths," taught by Susan Ross, begins Sunday, April 14 at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. For details, register at www.bit.ly/aetexts424 **#** All who enjoy singing are invited to join the **Fourth Church Choral Society** in rehearsing on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. beginning April 25 in preparation for singing in worship on Sunday, May 19. **# Fall enrollment** has opened for our **Day School preschool;** for details contact Kathy Hager (*khager@fourthchurch.org*).

Becoming a member of Fourth Church

To **become a member of Fourth Church,** please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class via Zoom this Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. (*register at www.bit.ly/inquirers424*). For more information, email Matt Helms (*mhelms@fourthchurch.org*), Associate Pastor for Children, Family, and Welcoming Ministries.

Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage

Fourth Church is cosponsoring an October 18–27 **Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage** to New Orleans, Jackson, Montgomery, and Birmingham. To learn more about this pilgrimage, see the trip description at www.bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024; trip application: www.bit.ly/civilrightstrail2024

Resources for your personal reflection

We invite you to use our daily Eastertide devotions (*fourthchurch.org/devotions*) for your personal reflection. To receive them email, subscribe at bit.ly/fpcdevotions **** Weekly "Rhythm and Word"** videos—released on Wednesday evenings—are also available via email. Sign up online at bit.ly/rhythmandwordemail) or subscribe to our YouTube channel: (*www.bit.ly/fpcvideos*). ****** Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger invite you to tune in to their "Bible Top Ten" podcast (*fourthchurch.org/podcasts*). This lively and informative podcast explores the Bible through a rotating series of top ten lists.

Pastoral care and a listening presence

To **submit a prayer request** to our Deacon Prayer Ministry, please email Gloria Fleming (*gfleming@ fourthchurch.org*) or Nancy Benson-Nicol (*nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org*). ** Also email Gloria if you would like to **talk to a pastor** or **notify pastoral staff** of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; if the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call. ** **For those facing life's challenges**, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To **talk with a Stephen Minister**, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365. ** To **explore options for counseling as well learn about our Grief Groups**, call our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit reploglecenter.org

Stay connected

You can find details about **ways to connect** with one another and this congregation, whether in person or online, on our website: **www.fourthchurch.org**, where you will also discover various **resources and opportunities. *** We also invite you to **follow us** on **YouTube** (*www.bit.ly/fpcvideos*), **Facebook** (facebook.com/fourthchurch), and **Instagram** (*instagram.com/fourthchurch*). ***** Look for information, updates, and **snapshots of life at Fourth Church** in our **weekly email newsletter**, to which you can subscribe at www.bit.ly/newsfromfpc; you can find our **news archive** at fourthchurch.org/news ***** To see all that is going on at Fourth Church, we encourage you to bookmark our **online church calendar**, which is accessible from our website's home page and at **fourthchurch.org/calendar**