



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, **throughout the summer we gather on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**

Entering the building

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*) as well as at 126 E. Chestnut—where the reception desk is located—and 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 \$9 for 6 hours (*and \$18 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.

Worshipping Online

We livestream our 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. services on our YouTube channel: bit.ly/fpcvideos

Accessing the services

Worship can be viewed anytime 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

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 10:00 a.m.

Let Us Know You're Here

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

In person

Those worshipping with us in person are asked to add their names to the information pads in the pews, passing them down the row so worshippers have opportunity to greet one another by name following the service. If your contact information has changed, please indicate that too.

Online

Those worshipping via livestream will find a link to the online form included in the descriptive text below the video (*after exiting full-screen view*); a QR code is also displayed during the “Welcome” that can be scanned with a phone camera to take you to the form.

Children in Worship

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.

Nursery care

During the morning service nursery care is available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center for infants through two-year-olds.

Sunday Opportunities

Sunday school

Summer Sunday school meets at 10:00 a.m. in Room 4D for three-year-olds through fifth graders.

An invitation to Coffee Hour

If you are worshipping with us in person, please take a moment to stop by Anderson Hall following the service to join us for Coffee Hour. There you will find opportunity to greet one another and learn about ways to connect with each other and with Fourth Church. This morning our fellowship time will also include a festive reception in honor of John Sherer.

Praying with a Deacon

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 worship.

Afternoon worship service

We invite you to join us for The Gathering: Communion at 2:00, a casual, intimate service. Beena David and the Gathering Ensemble lead our music; Rocky Supinger will be preaching.

Joining the Fourth Church Family

Welcome, New Members!

This morning we are delighted to welcome the newest members of our Fourth Church family: Laura Hardy, Ryan Hardy, David Kandziorski, John Killpack, Kristin Kipke, Marilee Bresciani Ludvik, Frances Packard, Katherine Ritchie, Leila Shin, Ryan Skiles, Courtney Sperry, and Cameron Williams. We are grateful you have chosen to join us in our life together and look forward to connecting with you in the days ahead!

Becoming a member of Fourth Church

To become a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class in person on Sunday, August 11 at 12:15 p.m. or via Zoom on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. For details or more information about membership, email Nancy Davis (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Celebrating Pride Month

The Pride flag in the courtyard and rainbow ribbons along Michigan Avenue bear public witness to the inclusive hospitality we extend to all and to our welcome of all of God's children into the life of the church.

Pride breakfast

You are invited to the Pride Breakfast "Why We Celebrate—and Keep On Keeping On" hosted today at 11:15 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room by our LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome (WOW) group.

Pride parade

Next Sunday, June 30 at 11:00 a.m. we will walk in the Pride Parade along with fellow members of the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches. Walking slots are limited, so if you would like to join us at the parade, please reach out to Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@fourthchurch.org) to put your name on the list of interested walkers.

Honoring John Sherer

John Sherer's final Sunday with us

Today is John Sherer's last Sunday as our Organist and Director of Music. We give thanks for his twenty-eight years of ministry among us, and we wish him and his wife, Kara Wagner Sherer, Godspeed as they relocate to Rochester, New York, where Kara has been elected to serve as Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester. In July John will become Organist and Director of Music at Rochester's St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Please join us in Anderson Hall following worship for a festive reception in John's honor, as we express our gratitude to him and wish John and Kara well in this next chapter in their ministry.

Memory book

We invite you to share your well-wishes, notes, photos, and thank-yous with John through our online memory book. You can submit your contributions at bit.ly/sherermemories

Gifts in honor of John

As a further expression of gratitude, we also invite you to make a gift in honor of John's dedicated leadership of music ministry at Fourth Church. Gifts given in honor of John will support key areas of this ministry of beauty, including the Director of Music and Organ Scholar positions as well as the Morning Choir. Gifts can be made online at bit.ly/jwwshonorgift

Walking for Peace

Our World Mission and Social Justice Council invites you to join them for this summer's Friday night Peace Walks with Saint Sabina Church in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood, as we walk to prevent violence and build community. We will be walking this Friday, June 28 as well as Fridays, July 12, August 2, and August 16. To learn more, email Nancy Davis (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteering in worship

You are invited to contribute to Fourth Church worship by volunteering to read scripture in a service, carry the Bible as a Beadle during the procession, serve Communion, or greet worshipers as an usher. To volunteer or learn more, email Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org)/

Explore additional volunteer opportunities—including ushering, serving with Meals Ministry, and more!—at fourthchurch.org/volunteer

Grocery Bags Needed

Reuseable and paper grocery bags are needed by the Chicago Lights Social Service Center for use by guests visiting the Food Pantry and Share Shop. Bags can be dropped off at the church reception desk (enter at 126 E. Chestnut) between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The Social Service Center is also in need of men's clothing, of all types and all sizes.

Get Connected

Bible studies

Men's Bible Study, which focuses on Sunday's scripture readings from the pulpit, meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* is the focus of this summer's monthly Women's Bible Study, which next meets via Zoom on Wednesday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m.

For Zoom details for either study, email Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@fourthchurch.org).

Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting meets via Zoom this Tuesday, June 25 at 4:00 p.m. Email Nanette Sawyer (nsawyer@fourthchurch.org) for details.

Women at Fourth Paint-and-Sip

Join Women at Fourth this Thursday, June 27 when they gather at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for Paint-and-Sip, a fun-filled evening of painting with a professional artist while enjoying fellowship, snacks, and drinks. Space is limited; registration (required at bit.ly/waf62024) closes on Tuesday, July 25.

Civil rights 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 opportunity, see the trip description at bit.ly/civilrightstrailinfo2024

Matt Helms Sabbatical

Please join us as we hold in prayer Matt Helms, Associate Pastor for Children, Family, and Welcoming Ministries, as he begins his sabbatical tomorrow (through September 2).

While Matt is away, Briana Belding-Peck, Family Ministry Coordinator, will be serving as primary staff for Sunday School and children's ministries, and clergy colleagues will be filling in on new member activities as well as the Sunday sermon discussions on July 7 and August 4.

Caring for One Another

Prayer requests and pastoral care

To submit a prayer request to our Deacon and Morning Prayer Ministries, please email Gloria Fleming (gfleming@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.

Stephen Ministry

For those facing life's challenges, Stephen Ministers provide a listening presence. To talk with a Stephen Minister, leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Counseling and well-being

To explore options for counseling, including our grief groups, call our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit reploglecenter.org

Prayer, Reflection, and Meditation

"Rhythm and Word"

This summer we invite you to pause midweek to reflect on the theme of renewal, using our brief "Rhythm and Word" videos. To receive them in your inbox weekly, sign up at bit.ly/rhythmandword; to receive notice of them via YouTube, subscribe to our channel: bit.ly/fpcvideos

Daily devotions

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

Wednesday Morning Prayer

Each Wednesday we gather at 9:30 a.m. for Morning Prayer via Zoom. For details, email Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org).

Meditation Opportunities

You are invited to a Sacred Pause time of meditation offered on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is open for walking on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Podcasts

During the week the Sunday morning service and sermon are made available via podcast on multiple platforms and at fourthchurch.org/podcasts

Stay Connected

For resources and information about connecting with one another and Fourth Church, see our website at fourthchurch.org and our weekly email newsletter. Subscribe at bit.ly/newsfromfpc; visit our news archive at fourthchurch.org/news. We also invite you to follow us on YouTube: bit.ly/fpcvideos; Facebook: facebook.com/fourthchurch; and Instagram: instagram.com/fourthchurch

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GENEROSITY REPORT

Year-to-date (YTD) Contributions as of May 31, 2024

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance	2024 Budget
Pledged:	\$1,164,445	\$1,117,766	\$46,679	\$2,845,476
General:	\$238,708	\$209,290	\$29,418	\$937,703
Restricted:	\$279,539	\$257,146	\$22,393	\$691,450
Total:	\$1,682,692	\$1,584,202	\$98,490	\$4,474,629

We have received commitments for 88 percent of our pledge goal and need \$359,459 in new or increased pledges to reach our pledge budget. We are grateful to all who have made gifts in support of our mission and ministry this year. Thank you!

Calendar for June 23–June 29

Sunday, June 23	9:00 a.m. New Members and Session	Room 5F
	10:00 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary / Online
	10:00 to 11:15 a.m. Infants/Parents Comfort Room	Hospitality Suite
	10:00 to 11:15 a.m.	Nursery Room 4A
	10:00 a.m. Summer Sunday School	Room 4D
	11:00 a.m. A Time of Prayer	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour: John Sherer Reception	Anderson Hall
	11:00 a.m. New Member Lunch	Room 4G
	11:15 a.m. LGBTQIA+ WOW Pride Breakfast	Borwell Dining Room
	2:00 p.m. The Gathering: Communion at 2:00	Sanctuary / Online
	3:00 p.m. Coffee Hour	Narthex
	4:00 p.m. Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30 p.m.)	Anderson Hall
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Medical Service	Borwell Dining Room

Monday, June 24	8:30 a.m. Chicago Lights Summer Day	Room 5C
	9:30 a.m. CLL: Advanced French	Zoom
	10:30 a.m. CLL: Stronger Seniors	Zoom
	10:45 a.m. CLL: Intermediate French	Zoom
	11:00 a.m. CLL: Rideshare and Parking Apps	Room 4G / Zoom
	11:30 a.m. CLL: Silver Taps	Zoom
	12:00 p.m. CLL: Beginner's French	Zoom
	1:00 p.m. CLL: Art History	Zoom
	1:00 p.m. CLL: Bridge	Room 4D
	2:00 p.m. CLL: Late Renaissance Art	Room 4G / Zoom
	2:30 p.m. CLL: Yoga	Room 4F / Zoom

Tuesday, June 25	7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study	Zoom
	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause	Online
	8:30 a.m. Chicago Lights Summer Day	Room 5C
	9:30 a.m. CLL: Stronger Seniors	Zoom
	9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	11:30 a.m. CLL: Basic Spanish	Offsite
	11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
	1:00 p.m. CLL: Book Study Group	Room 4D
	1:00 p.m. CLL: Watercolor	Room 4F / Zoom
	1:00 p.m. English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
	1:00 p.m. Labyrinth Available to Walk	Buchanan Chapel

Calendar for June 23–June 29

1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry	Showers
2:00 p.m.	CLL: Ancient Maya/Olmec Art	Zoom
2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi	Anderson Hall
4:00 p.m.	Knitting and Crocheting	Zoom
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Room 4F

Wednesday, June 26	All day	Senior High Mission Trip	Youngstown, NY
	8:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day	Room 5C
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Tap Too	Zoom
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Men’s Great Ideas	Room 4D
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Zing	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: Current Events	Room 4G
	1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	1:30 p.m.	CLL: Art in the Modern World	Zoom
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Film Series	Room 4G
	3:00 p.m.	CLL: Drawing	Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	AA: LGBTQIA+	Room 4E

Thursday, June 27	All day	Senior High Mission Trip	Youngstown, NY
	8:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day	Room 5C
	9:00 a.m.	Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making	Parish House Kitchen
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Silver Barre	Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Range of Motion	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
	12:15 p.m.	AA Meeting	Room 4F
	12:30 p.m.	CLL: Falls Prevention Workshop	Room 4G
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Music History	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi	Anderson Hall
	5:30 p.m.	Women at Fourth: Paint-and-Sip	Borwell Dining Room

Calendar for June 23–June 29

Friday, June 28	All day	Senior High Mission Trip	Youngstown, NY
	8:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day	Room 5C
	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Nia	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Grief Cafe	Room 4D
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert	Sanctuary
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Hooray for Hooks!	Room 4C
	7:00 p.m.	Peace Walk.	St. Sabina

Saturday, June 29	All day	Senior High Mission Trip	Youngstown, NY
	8:30 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Online

(No other events are scheduled for Saturday)

Preaching on Sunday, June 30

10:00 a.m. Tom Are • 2:00 p.m. Nancy Benson-Nicol