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

Beginning September 8, our morning services will be at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Entering the building

Three fully accessible entrances, without steps, 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 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.

Worshiping 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 worshiping with you today and would welcome knowing you are here. Please take a moment to fill out an information form.

In person

Those worshiping with us in person are asked to add their names to the pads in the pews, passing the pads to the center of the row and then back again so worshipers have opportunity to greet one another by name following worship. Please also indicate if your contact information has changed.

Online

Those worshiping 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

Widen Our Welcome brunch

Our LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome (WOW) group invites you to join them for brunch at Aster Hall (900 N. Michigan) following worship today. To walk there together meet at the church reception desk in the Commons.

Praying with a Deacon

If you would like to pray with a Deacon, you are invited to do so in Stone Chapel (through the door to the right of the pulpit) following worship.

Organ tour

Following worship this morning, a tour of our Andrew Pipe Organ begins at the front of the Sanctuary.

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; Amy Pagliarella will be preaching.

Get Connected Sunday: September 8

Two morning services

We kick off our autumn program year on Sunday, September 8 with Get Connected Sunday, the day we return to our schedule of two morning services: 9:30 a.m. (also livestreamed) and 11:00 a.m.

Get Connected / Block Party celebration

Our Get Connected Sunday / Neighborhood Block Party will include festivities in the Michigan Avenue courtyard from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., including games, music, treats, and crafts!

Sunday school and youth groups

Sunday school for three-year-olds through fifth graders begins a new year on September 8 at 9:30 a.m. Also that day Junior Highs (grades six and seven) will also resume meeting on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and Senior Highs (grades eight through twelve) at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday adult education

"The Spirituality of Caregiving" will be our first adult education class of the program year. Led by Nancy Benson-Nicol, Amy Pagliarella, Annette Mileski, and Jeannie Forrest, it will take place on Sundays, September 8–22 at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. For details, register at bit.ly/caregiving92024

Eighth-grade Confirmation

This year eighth-grade Confirmation will meet monthly on Sunday mornings. Eighth graders are encouraged to register at bit.ly/confirmation2425

"Bike the Drive" Is Next Sunday

Bike the Drive along DuSable Lake Shore Drive takes place next Sunday morning, September 1. To plan your route to worship, see bikethedrive.org

TwentiesThirties

Brunch for young adults

TwentiesThirtes will gather for brunch at Aster Hall (900 N. Michigan) next Sunday, September 1 at 12:00 p.m. Meet in the Commons after Coffee Hour to walk over together.

Small group on Amos and justice

A new TwentiesThirties small group will meet via Zoom (bit.ly/2030amos) on five Wednesdays, beginning September 4 at 7:00 p.m. for a time of scripture study, community building, and conversation with one another.

Bible Study

Philippians with Tom Are

During the pandemic Tom Are wrote a short book—*Joy Even on Your Worst Days*—which he calls "a preacher's read of Philippians." Join Tom on four Tuesday evenings—September 17—October 8 at 7:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room to discuss this most joyful writing in the Bible, a book amazingly written while Paul was in prison. (A Zoom version of the class will be offered at a separate time; watch for details.)

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study, which focuses on Sunday's scripture readings from the pulpit, meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Stay Connected

For additional resources and information see our website at fourthchurch.org and our weekly email newsletter. Subscribe at bit.ly/newsfromfpc; visit our news archive at fourthchurch.org/news

Fellowship Opportunities

Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting meets via Zoom on Tuesday, August 27 at 4:00 p.m. and in Room 5B on Tuesday, September 3 at 10:00 a.m. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Cornerstones

A fellowship group for those fifty and over, Cornerstones will meet on Friday, September 6 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for dinner and a program on "Affordable Housing in an Art Deco Landmark." Register (required) at bit.ly/cornerstones92024

Books by Women

The monthly Books by Women book group will discuss *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Deep Listening Dinner

On Friday, September 13 we will gather in Anderson Hall at 6:00 p.m. for a Deep Listening Dinner, as we get to know one another through conversation over a shared meal. To join us for dinner, register (required) at bit.ly/deep92024

Elections 101

The Center for Life and Learning invites you learn more about what will be on the ballot this year as well as better understand the role of an alderman and the Board of Elections. Participants in this nonpartisan event will have the opportunity to register to vote and find out about mail-in ballots. Registration is required at bit.ly/cllelections101 for this free event on Wednesday, September 4 at 12:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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.

Counseling and well-being

To explore options for counseling and well-being — including grief groups via Zoom— contact our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.2729, ext. 2260 or visit reploglecenter.org.

Can You Help?

Donate shoes and clothing

The Chicago Lights Social Service Center is in particular need of men's clothing and shoes of all types and sizes. Items can be dropped off at the church reception desk (enter at 126 E. Chestnut) between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Tutor with Chicago Lights

The more volunteer mentors we have for Tutoring—which meets at the church on weeknights—the more students who can participate! For details, see chicagolights.org/tutoring.

Greet people on Sundays

Fourth Church ambassadors are needed to greet people on Sunday mornings, providing welcome at our entrances and sharing information about our community, programs, and ministries. To help, contact Joe Morrow (jmorrow@fourthchurch.org).

Calendar for August 25–31

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Sunday, August 25		Worship	
		Infants/Parents Comfort Room	• •
		Nursery	
		A Time of Prayer	-
		Coffee Hour	
	11:00 a.m.	LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome Brunch	Meet at Reception Desk
		Organ Tour	•
	11:15 a.m.	Deacon Training Committee	Randolph Room
	11:15 a.m.	Nominating Committee	Room 4F
	12:00 p.m.	TwentiesThirties Council	Room 5E
	12:15 p.m.	Worship, Music, and Arts Council	Room 5F
	2:00 p.m.	The Gathering: Communion at 2:00	Sanctuary / Online
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30)	Anderson Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Medical Service	Borwell Dining Room
Monday, August 26	4:15 p.m.	Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
Tuesday, August 27	7:30 a m	Men's Bible Study	Zoom
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	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	
		Meals Ministry Bag Lunch.	· ·
	1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language	
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	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk	-
	1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry	
	4:00 p.m.	Knitting and Crocheting	
	6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Room 4F
Wednesday, August 28	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	Zoom
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Thursday, August 29	9:00 a.m.	Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making	Borwell Dining Room
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	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk	
	6:30 p.m.	Grief Support Group	_
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Friday, August 30	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	12:10 p.m.	Music by the Fountain	Garth
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Saturday, August 31	8:30 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Online