



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, we gather at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Entering the building

A half hour prior to each Sunday 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 at 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 the 9:30 a.m. service each Sunday on our YouTube channel: bit.ly/fpcvideos

Accessing the service

Worship can be viewed anytime after the service begins. 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 9:30 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.

Online

Those worshiping via livestream will find a link to the online form in the 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.

Sunday Opportunities

Hidden Roots of White Supremacy

Today we begin the three-week class “The Hidden Roots of White Supremacy,” which meets at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom. In this first session, Joe Morrow will lead us in an examination of how remembrance and repentance, as key theological concepts, shape how we repair past wrongs. Next Sunday Justin Myers and Regan Burke will discuss the history of race relations at Fourth Church. For Zoom details, register at bit.ly/hiddenroots24

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 the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

Sunday morning fellowship

If you are worshiping with us in person, we encourage you to stop by Anderson Hall after the service for Coffee Hour—an opportunity to greet each other and learn about ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church.

Organ tour

Following the 11:00 a.m. service, a tour of our pipe organ begins at the front of the Sanctuary.

Music rehearsals

At 12:15 p.m. our gospel choir, Voices of Light, rehearses in Room 4G (second, third, and fifth Sundays of the month) and the Handbell Choir rehearses (weekly) in Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft.

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; Tom Are will be preaching.

New Sermon Series

Do the Good That's Yours to Do

Today we begin a short sermon series entitled "Do the Good That's Yours to Do." Over the next few weeks we will focus on both dreams and commitments we hold for the ministry we share at Fourth Church. We will explore the importance of the friendship we share here. We will reflect on our mission. And today we will celebrate that Fourth Church is a place that nourishes faith, a faith that gives strength in challenging times.

Stewardship 2025

"Do the Good That's Yours to Do" is also the theme of our 2025 Stewardship Campaign, which we begin today.

In this season we are each called to pledge our support of the mission and ministry of Fourth Church for the year ahead. Pledge forms have been mailed to member homes and are also available online at bit.ly/fpcpledging and in the pew racks.

We are grateful that nearly 60 percent of the seventy-eight households that have made a 2025

pledge have increased their pledge 15 percent or more over last year!

In the days ahead, please take a moment to also make your pledge by or on November 10, when we will celebrate Commitment Sunday, a day when we lift up all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings.

Joining the Fourth Church Family

To become a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers' Class via Zoom on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. (register at bit.ly/inquirers112024). For more information, contact Matt Helms (mhelms@fourthchurch.org), Associate Pastor for Children, Families, and Welcoming Ministries

Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage

We hold in prayer the 28 members of Fourth Church and the Chicago Presbytery who, as part of their Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage, are worshipping today at New Zion Baptist Church in New Orleans. This coming week the group will be visiting historic sites in Jackson, Mississippi, and Montgomery and Birmingham, Alabama.

2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

2025 Pledge Commitments as of October 15, 2024

	Households	Amount	Goal	% to Goal
Fourth Church:	78	\$789,056	\$3,000,000	26%
Chicago Lights:	49	\$313,747	\$750,000	42%
Total:	78	\$1,102,803	\$3,750,000	29%

Children and Youth

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.

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

Sunday school

Sunday school for three-year-olds through fifth graders takes place at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center. During the 11:00 a.m. service there is a children's Fellowship Hour with activities, games, and stories in Room 4D.

Youth groups

Youth groups meet weekly, with Junior Highs gathering at 9:30 a.m. and Senior Highs at 11:00 a.m., both in the Bumpus Room.

Preschool openings

Our weekday Day School morning preschool has a few openings for children three and four years old. Our Together We Play program on Thursday mornings is also welcoming children one to three years old and their parent or caregiver. For details, email Kathy Hager (khager@fourthchurch.org).

Domestic Violence Awareness

Our purple ribbons along Michigan Avenue bear public witness to Domestic Violence Awareness Month and all affected by domestic violence.

School Board Forum

This Monday, October 21 a Chicago school board candidate forum will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel and via Zoom. The nine candidates vying for seats in District 4 and 6 (which are adjacent to the church) have been invited to participate; WBEZ's Kate Grossman will moderate. RSVP at bit.ly/schoolboard24 for details, including Zoom information.

Snacks for Meals Ministry

Each week Meals Ministry uses 1,250 individually packaged, single-serving snacks in the bag lunches prepared and distributed to guests. To assist with that, during October we are collecting snacks to fill those bags. For details, see the Meals Ministry cart during Coffee Hour or, for lists of needed items, visit fourthchurch.org/meals

Disaster Assistance

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working to provide necessary resources to support the many communities affected by recent hurricanes. To support that relief work, you can make an online gift to PDA on the home page of our website or at bit.ly/pdahurricanes

The Collaborators

In an event cosponsored by Fourth Church, First Presbyterian Church (6400 S. Kimbark) is hosting "The Collaborators: The Secret History of South Side Gangs and Chicago's Presbyterians" next Sunday, October 27 at 2:00 p.m. Natalie Moore and Maira Khwaja will speak; Jeff Doane will moderate. RSVP to Nancy (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Bible Study

Philippians with Tom Are

The Zoom version of Tom Are's Bible study based on his short book *Joy Even on Your Worst Days* concludes on Wednesday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. For details, register at bit.ly/zoomstudy102024

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Women's Horizons Bible Study

Women's *Horizons* Bible Study, which meets via Zoom twice a month at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m., meets Wednesday, October 23. The theme this year is "Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation." For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Presbyterian Women of Chicago

This Saturday, October 26 Fourth Church is hosting the fall gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Chicago. Patricia K. Tull—author of the *Horizons* Bible study—will be the featured speaker for the event, which takes place at 9:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To participate, contact Nina Koelpin of the Presbytery (ninakoelpin@att.net; 630.707.5174).

"Bible Top Ten" podcast

Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger invite you to tune in to their "Bible Top Ten" podcast at fourthchurch.org/podcasts and on multiple podcast platforms as they explore the Bible through a rotating series of top ten lists.

Fellowship Opportunities

Benevolent Guild

Benevolent Guild meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create sewn and crafted items for those in need. Sewing experience is not necessary.

Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting meets this Tuesday, October 22 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom. For details, email Simon Crow (scrow@fourthchurch.org).

Women at Fourth Halloween Gathering

"Hallelujah Haunts and Group Trivia Taunts" is the October gathering of Women at Fourth, this Thursday, October 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Manse. Register at bit.ly/waf102024

Cornerstones

A fellowship group for those fifty and over, Cornerstones will meet on Friday, November 1 at 5:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a presentation on Inspiration Corporation, a resource for exiting homelessness and poverty. Register (required) by October 28 at bit.ly/cornerstones112024

Deep Listening Dinner

On Saturday, November 9 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/deep112024

Books by Women

The Books by Women book group will discuss *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Stay Connected!

Look for information, updates, and snapshots of life at Fourth Church in our weekly email newsletter.

Subscribe at bit.ly/newsfromfpc and visit our news archive at fourthchurch.org/news

Caring for One Another

Prayer requests and pastoral care

If you would like to talk to a pastor or notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, please email Gloria Fleming (gffleming@fourthchurch.org). If the situation requires immediate attention, please call the church at 312.787.4570 to be connected to the Minister on Call.

Also email Gloria if you would like to submit a prayer request to our Deacon and Morning Prayer Ministries.

Stephen Ministry

For one-to-one spiritual and emotional support and a listening presence through life challenges, we invite you to consider being paired with a Stephen Minister. To learn more about this resource, contact Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org), Associate Pastor for Caring Ministries and Spiritual Formation, or leave a confidential message for a Stephen Minister at 312.573.3365.

Counseling and well-being

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

Grief Groups

Our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being facilitates four-week grief groups via Zoom. To learn more or register for a group, contact the group facilitator, Sharon Crawford-Tucker (stucker@fourthchurch.org).

Prayer, Reflection, and Meditation

Daily devotions

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

Weekly “Rhythm and Word” videos

On Wednesdays we release a brief video of music, scripture, and prayer, led this month by Nancy Benson-Nicol and the Gathering musicians. Sign up at bit.ly/rhythmandword to have them sent to your inbox or subscribe to our YouTube channel (bit.ly/fpcvideos) to receive notice of new videos.

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

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.

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). On the first Wednesday of the month (*November 6*) we also gather in person at 10:00 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Sermon podcast and text

During the week the Sunday morning service and sermon are 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 bit.ly/fpcsermons

Calendar for October 20–26

Sunday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	<i>See page 9</i>
October 20	9:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir	Room 4G
	9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary / Online
	9:30 a.m.	Infants/Parents Comfort Room	Hospitality Suite
	9:30 a.m.	Nursery	Room 4A
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Junior High Gathering.	Bumpus Room
	10:15 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal.	Room 4B
	10:30 a.m.	A Time of Prayer	Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Room 4G
	11:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	Children’s Fellowship Hour.	Room 4D
	11:00 a.m.	Senior High Gathering	Bumpus Room
	11:00 a.m.	The Hidden Roots of White Supremacy	Borwell Dining Room
	12:00 p.m.	A Time of Prayer	Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Open House Chicago	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal.	Buchanan Chapel Loft
	12:15 p.m.	Voices of Light	Room 4G
	12:15 p.m.	World Mission / Social Justice Council	Room 5E
	12:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee.	Room 4F
	2:00 p.m.	The Gathering: Communion at 2:00.	Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30)	Anderson Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Medical Service	Borwell Dining Room

Monday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	<i>See page 9</i>
October 21	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool	Classroom B
	9:30 a.m.	Day School Twos Program	Classroom A
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Advanced French	Zoom
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors Monday.	Zoom
	10:45 a.m.	CLL: Intermediate French.	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
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Yoga	Room 4G / Zoom
	4:15 p.m.	Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
	5:30 p.m.	School Board Forum	Buchanan Chapel

Tuesday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	<i>See page 9</i>
October 22	7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study.	Zoom
	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Online
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool	Classroom B

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9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
9:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors	Zoom
10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stage and Screen	Room 5G / Zoom
11:30 a.m.	CLL: Basic Spanish	Offsite Location
11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Watercolor and Art Concepts	Room 4F / Zoom
1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry	Showers
1:00 p.m.	SSC Living Room	Room 5E
2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi	Anderson Hall / Zoom
4:00 p.m.	Knitting and Crocheting	Zoom
5:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Tutoring.	Fifth Floor
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Room 4F

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	October 23	9:00 a.m. Day School Preschool	Classroom B
		9:30 a.m. Day School Twos Program	Classroom A
		9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
		9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer.	Zoom
		9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
		9:30 a.m. CLL: Tap	Zoom
		10:30 a.m. CLL: Men's "Great Ideas"	Room 5A
		10:30 a.m. CLL: Zing	Zoom
		11:00 a.m. CLL: Midweek Meditation	Room 4D
		11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
		12:00 p.m. CLL: Current Events	Room 5G
		1:00 p.m. CLL: Current Events/DePaul Students Lunch	Room 5G
		1:00 p.m. English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
		1:00 p.m. SSC Living Room.	Room 5E
		1:00 p.m. SSC Mindfulness Meditation	Anderson Hall
		1:30 p.m. CLL: Carousel of Curiosities	Zoom
		1:30 p.m. CLL: Colonial Art of Latin America	Room 5D
		2:00 p.m. CLL: Autumn Gathering	Room 5G
		2:00 p.m. CLL: Film Series	Room 4G
		3:00 p.m. CLL: Drawing Fundamentals and Beyond	Zoom
		5:00 p.m. Chicago Lights Tutoring.	Fifth Floor
		5:30 p.m. CLL: The Chicago 'L'.	Anderson Hall
		6:00 p.m. AA: LGBTQIA+	Room 4F

Thursday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	<i>See page 9</i>
	October 24	9:00 a.m. Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making.	Borwell Dining Room
		9:00 a.m. Day School Preschool	Classroom B
		9:30 a.m. Day School Together We Play.	Classroom A
		9:30 a.m. SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge

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9:30 a.m.	CLL: Silver Barre	Zoom
10:00 a.m.	CLL: Memoir Writing	Room 5A / Zoom
10:00 a.m.	CLL: Supreme Court Decisions.	Room 4D
10:30 a.m.	CLL: Range of Motion	Zoom
11:30 a.m.	CLL: Matters of Health	Room 4E
11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	AA Meeting	Room 4F
1:00 p.m.	SSC Living Room.	Room 5E
1:00 p.m.	English as a Second Language	Morse Conference Room
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Memoir Writing	Room 5A
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Music History	Zoom
2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi	Anderson Hall / Zoom
5:30 p.m.	Legacy Society Reception	Anderson Hall
5:30 p.m.	Women at Fourth Halloween Haunts	Manse
6:00 p.m.	Zoom Small Group: <i>Ragamuffin Gospel</i>	Zoom
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
8:00 p.m.	Morning Choir Rehearsal.	Buchanan Chapel

Friday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	See page 9
October 25	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool	Classroom B
	9:30 a.m.	SSC Drop-In Program	Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Nia	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	SSC: Living Room	Room 4E
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert.	Sanctuary / Online
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Hooray for Hooks	Fourth-Floor Lounge
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Progressive Strength Training	Room 4G
	6:00 p.m.	Junior High Lock-In	Bumpus Room

Saturday	All day	Civil Rights Trail Pilgrimage	See page 9
October 26	8:30 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Online
	9:00 a.m.	CLL: Saturday Yoga	Room 4F
	9:00 a.m.	Presbyterian Women of Chicago Presbytery	Borwell Dining Room

(No other events are scheduled for Saturday)

Preaching on Sunday, October 27

9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. • Tom Are Jr.
2:00 p.m. • Rocky Supinger