



## 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 **as we live out our calling to love God and love one another.**

**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.”**

### Worshipping in Person at Fourth Church

Each Sunday our worshipping 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 weekly at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. (except between Memorial Day and Labor Day, when we worship at 10:00 a.m. only.)

#### Entering the building

A half hour prior to each service the doors open for worship. There is an entrance without steps leading to the Sanctuary on Michigan Avenue, through the glass Loggia doors (*next to the courtyard*). There are also two fully accessible entrances: 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 \$10 for 6 hours (*and \$20 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 the 9:30 a.m. service each Sunday on our YouTube channel—[bit.ly/fpcvideos](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos)—which is also accessible from the home page of our website: [fourthchurch.org](https://fourthchurch.org)

### Accessing the service

Worship can be viewed anytime after the service has begun. For tips on how to watch—from the beginning—a service that is already in progress, see [fourthchurch.org/watch-from-the-beginning](https://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.

## Summer Worship Schedule

Our summer worship schedule will begin Memorial Day weekend and run through the weekend of Labor Day. From Sunday, May 25 through Sunday, August 31, we will gather—in person and via livestream—for one worship service each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

## AAPI Heritage Month

The AAPI flag flying in our Michigan Avenue courtyard bears public witness to May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Our Racial Equity Council invites you to stop by Coffee Hour for related resources and to learn more.

## 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 an information form.

### In person

Those worshipping 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 worshipping 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.

## Read Scripture during Summer Worship

If you have not been a scripture reader during worship at Fourth Church, we invite you to help lead a 10:00 a.m. service this summer by serving as a reader. If you would like to sign up for a summer service, please do so at [bit.ly/summerliturgist](https://bit.ly/summerliturgist); your reading will be sent to you the previous Wednesday.

## Restoration and Repair Work

The scaffolding in the Sanctuary is to facilitate the restoration work on the 1914 Frederic Clay Bartlett ceiling murals. For a closer view of this artwork, a series of panels is mounted in the north part of the Commons.

In the courtyard, the scaffolding along the west wall enables the repair of windows, tuckpointing, and painting. Although this area is cordoned off, the courtyard remains accessible throughout the summer.

## Congregational Meeting to Call a New Pastor

Sunday, May 18

12:15 p.m.

In the Sanctuary as well as via Zoom

(The Zoom link will be posted at [fourthchurch.org](https://fourthchurch.org) next Sunday morning)

*We encourage all members to be with us — whether in person or online —  
to take part in this important moment in the life of our congregation!*



## Faith Formation

Join us on our journey to grow spiritually through worship, educational opportunities, and programs that nurture faith across all ages

### Children, Youth, and Family

#### 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.

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

#### Sunday School

Today Sunday school children from three years old to fifth grade join their parents in the Sanctuary for the beginning of 9:30 a.m. worship. They then depart to their classrooms with their teachers. At 11:00 a.m., families are encouraged to bring their children to worship in the Sanctuary.

Next weekend is Family Camp in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Sunday school will take a break that day and Memorial Day weekend (May 18 and 25) and then resume for the summer at 10:00 a.m. on June 1.

#### Youth gatherings

Junior Highs will worship in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. and Senior Highs will worship at 11:00 a.m.

### Bible Studies

#### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study—which focuses on scripture readings from the pulpit, with passages drawn from either the immediate past week's worship service or the upcoming Sunday—meets weekly via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 a.m. For details, email Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)).

#### Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study—which includes time each month for discussion of the Horizons study "Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation"—next meets via Zoom at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m. this Wednesday, May 14. For details, email Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)).

### Adult Education

#### "Japanese American Christians and Fourth Church"

During and immediately following World War II, Fourth Church welcomed the Japanese Church of Christ and their pastor, the Reverend Ai Chih Tsai. At 11:00 a.m. today Joe Morrow will help us uncover new aspects of the story of this intercultural partnership, and Lisa Doi will put the history of our Christian congregations in the larger context of Japanese American history. This class will be held in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom (register at [bit.ly/bridgeofhope25](https://bit.ly/bridgeofhope25)).

#### "Christian Perspectives on End-of-Life"

Next Sunday, May 18, Amy Pagliarella will guide us in looking at the resources our faith offers to help us with end-of-life decisions—for ourselves and our society. This class will be held in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom (register at [bit.ly/livingdying202505](https://bit.ly/livingdying202505)).

### Podcasts

#### Podcasts from Fourth Church

Our weekly five-minute "Rhythm and Word" reflections by the pastors (*see facing page*) are available on multiple podcast platforms and at [fourthchurch.org/podcasts](https://fourthchurch.org/podcasts).

During the week the Sunday worship service and sermon are also available via podcast on those platforms.

Matt Helms and Rocky Supinger also invite you to tune in to their "Bible Top Ten" podcast, an exploration of the Bible through a rotating series of top ten lists.

### Meditation

#### Walking the labyrinth

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

#### Sacred Pause

Sacred Pause meditation, hosted by our Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, is offered on Tuesdays (7:45 a.m.) and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.) at [facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing](https://facebook.com/reploglecenterforcounselingandwellbeing)

## Resources for Your Personal Reflection

### Daily devotions

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

### Weekly “Rhythm and Word” video and podcast

Each Wednesday a Fourth Church pastor shares a five-minute reflection via video and podcast. In our Easter season episodes, Matt Helms is looking at what we can learn from the early church.

Sign up online at [bit.ly/rhythmword](https://bit.ly/rhythmword) to have new videos sent to your inbox or subscribe to our YouTube channel ([bit.ly/fpcvideos](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos)). You can also listen to the reflections in podcast format at [fourthchurch.org/podcasts](https://fourthchurch.org/podcasts)

### Sermon transcripts

To read the text of the previous Sunday morning sermon (or past sermons in our archives), see [fourthchurch.org/sermons](https://fourthchurch.org/sermons) or, to receive the sermon by email, subscribe at [bit.ly/fpcsermon](https://bit.ly/fpcsermon)

## Prayer

### Sunday Morning Prayer with Deacons

If you would like to offer individual prayers of praise or concern with a Deacon, you are invited to do so in Stone Chapel (through the door to the right of the pulpit) following worship.

### Wednesday Morning Prayer

On Wednesdays we gather for Morning Prayer via Zoom at 9:30 a.m. to remember in prayer members of the congregation, all those who are in need, and mission partners around the world. Email Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)) for details.

### Prayer requests

If you would like to submit a prayer request to our Deacon and Morning Prayer Ministries, please email Gloria Fleming ([gflaming@fourthchurch.org](mailto:gflaming@fourthchurch.org))



## Community Engagements and Partnerships

Come alongside us as together, through programs and collaboration with partners, we advocate for social and community needs

### “Decades of Fun” Trivia

Join trivia master Stew Jamesson this Friday evening, May 16 for an evening of trivia fun while supporting—through your registration fee—the life-changing work of Chicago Lights, the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church. See [bit.ly/signupparties2025](https://bit.ly/signupparties2025) for details and to sign up.

### Celebrating the Replogle Center

After forty-nine years of healing, care, and connection, the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being will be closing on June 30, 2025.

All who have been part of this journey over the years—as supporters, clients, trainees, or staff—are invited to a Legacy Celebration on Friday, June 6 from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

### Chicago Exchange Japanese Fellowship

All are invited to a time of fellowship with members of Chicago’s Japanese community today at 12:00 p.m. in the Manse.

### Join Our Community of Volunteers

Each of us has gifts and talents to share with our community. Perhaps it is lending a listening ear, serving meals, ushering, or reading scripture during worship (*see p. 9*). As you think about your vision for ways you might contribute and connect with one another as well as new things you might explore, we invite you to browse the various volunteer opportunities matching your interests at [bit.ly/fpcvolunteers](https://bit.ly/fpcvolunteers) or contact Robert Crouch ([rcrouch@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)), Director of Volunteer Ministry.



## Connections and Belonging

Come connect with others as we foster a welcoming and inclusive community where everyone feels supported in building meaningful relationships

### Online Coffee Hour

If you are worshipping with us via livestream, we would be delighted if you would also join us for opportunity to connect with one another in our Coffee Hour time online. Each week we gather via Zoom at 10:30 a.m., immediately following the stream of the 9:30 service, for a time of fellowship.

Note the new Zoom link: [bit.ly/coffeehourfpc](https://bit.ly/coffeehourfpc)  
If a password is requested, please use 676359

### Get Connected

#### Books by Women

The monthly book group Books by Women meets this Tuesday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *Invisible Women: Data Bias in a World Designed for Men* by Caroline Criado Perez.

#### Deep Listening Dinner

Connect with others and get to know one another better over a shared meal and conversation: join us for a Deep Listening Dinner on Saturday, May 24 at 5:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. RSVP at [bit.ly/deeplisting202505](https://bit.ly/deeplisting202505)

#### Benevolent Guild

Benevolent Guild meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create items for those in need.

### Connecting Online

We invite you to explore our wide variety of ways to connect online with one another and Fourth Church, whether through Zoom Coffee Hour (see above), Bible studies, or Morning Prayer or as part of in-person classes with a Zoom component.

Browse [fourthchurch.org/online/connections](https://fourthchurch.org/online/connections) to learn more!

### In-Person Coffee Hour

If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to stop by Anderson Hall after the service for Coffee Hour, which not only provides an opportunity to greet each other but also to learn about ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church.

### Recognizing Graduates

Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2025 are asked to email their names to Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)) by Sunday, May 25. Graduate names received by that day will appear in the worship bulletin on Baccalaureate Sunday, June 1.

### Caring for One Another

#### 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](mailto: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.

#### Stephen Ministry

For a one-to-one 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](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)), Associate Pastor for Caring Ministries and Spiritual Formation, or to request support from a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

## News, Updates, and Snapshots

Look for information, updates, and snapshots of life at Fourth Church in our weekly email newsletter. Subscribe at [bit.ly/newsfromfpc](https://bit.ly/newsfromfpc) and visit our news archive at [fourthchurch.org/news](https://fourthchurch.org/news)



## Calendar for May 11–17, 2025

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Children's Choir . . . . .	Room 4G
May 11	9:30 a.m.	Worship . . . . .	Sanctuary / Online
	9:30 a.m.	Nursery . . . . .	Room 4A
	9:30 a.m.	Infants/Parents Comfort Room . . . . .	Hospitality Suite
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School . . . . .	Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Session Examination for Confirmation . . . . .	Room 5G
	10:30 a.m.	A Time of Prayer . . . . .	Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour . . . . .	Anderson Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Worship . . . . .	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	"Japanese American Christians" . . . . .	Borwell Dining Room
	11:00 a.m.	Senior High Gathering . . . . .	Bumpus Room
	12:00 p.m.	A Time of Prayer . . . . .	Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour . . . . .	Anderson Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Chicago Exchange Japanese Fellowship . . . . .	Manse
	12:15 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal . . . . .	Buchanan Chapel Loft
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper . . . . .	Anderson Hall

<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool . . . . .	Classroom B
May 12	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 . . . . .	Zoom
	10:45 a.m.	CLL: Intermediate French . . . . .	Zoom
	11:00 a.m.	CLL: Silver Taps . . . . .	Parish Dining Room / Zoom
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginner French . . . . .	Zoom
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: Beware of Scammers . . . . .	Room 4F
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: Spring Luncheon . . . . .	Borwell Dining Room
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Art History . . . . .	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Bridge . . . . .	Room 5B
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Yoga . . . . .	Room 5G
	7:30 p.m.	Music of the Baroque Concert . . . . .	Sanctuary

<b>Tuesday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study . . . . .	Zoom
May 13	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause . . . . .	Online
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool . . . . .	Classroom B
	9:00 a.m.	Heartland Alliance Medical Clinic . . . . .	Randolph Room
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . .	Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	SSC: Drop-In Program . . . . .	Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stage and Screen . . . . .	Room 5G / Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Basic Spanish . . . . .	Room 5D
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . .	Anderson Hall
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Improv . . . . .	Room 4D

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1:00 p.m.	CLL: Watercolor and Art Concepts. . . . .	Room 4E / Zoom
1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry . . . . .	Showers
2:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginner Tai Chi . . . . .	Anderson Hall
2:30 p.m.	CLL: Beginner's Canasta. . . . .	Room 4F
2:30 p.m.	CLL: Book Club . . . . .	Zoom
2:45 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi. . . . .	Anderson Hall / Zoom
5:00 p.m.	Tutoring . . . . .	Fifth Floor
6:00 p.m.	AA Meeting . . . . .	Room 4F
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women . . . . .	Bumpus Room

<b>Wednesday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Men's Faith Study . . . . .	Offsite Location
	May 14 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 Too . . . . .	Zoom
	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 4G
	12:00 p.m.	Women's Noon Bible Study . . . . .	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
	1:30 p.m.	CLL: Artificial Intelligence and Art . . . . .	Room 4K / Zoom
	2:00 p.m.	CLL: Film Series. . . . .	Room 4G
	3:00 p.m.	CLL: Drawing . . . . .	Zoom
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring . . . . .	Fifth Floor
	6:00 p.m.	AA: LGBTQIA+ . . . . .	Room 4F
	6:00 p.m.	New Member Gathering . . . . .	Anderson Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Evening Bible Study. . . . .	Zoom

<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making . . . . .	Borwell Dining Room
	May 15 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
	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: Golden Grooves. . . . .	Zoom
	11:00 a.m.	CLL: The "Art" of Conversation . . . . .	Room 5E

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11:30 a.m.	CLL: Matters of Health. . . . .	Room 4E / Zoom
11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch. . . . .	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	AA Meeting . . . . .	Room 4F
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Memoir Writing . . . . .	Room 5A / Zoom
1:00 p.m.	CLL: Music History. . . . .	Zoom
1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00) . . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
1:30 p.m.	CLL: Art Days . . . . .	Room 4E
2:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginner Tai Chi . . . . .	Anderson Hall
2:00 p.m.	Sounds Good Choir Concert . . . . .	Sanctuary
2:45 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi. . . . .	Anderson Hall Zoom
3:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Steering Team . . . . .	Morse Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal. . . . .	Buchanan Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Anti-Violence Subgroup of WMSJ . . . . .	Zoom

<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool. . . . .	Classroom B
May 16	9:30 a.m.	SSC: Drop-In Program. . . . .	Morse Lounge
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Nia . . . . .	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert . . . . .	Sanctuary / Online
	5:30 p.m.	Sign-Up Party: Trivia with Stew . . . . .	Anderson Hall
	Evening	Family Camp Weekend Begins . . . . .	Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

<b>Saturday</b>	All day	Family Camp Weekend . . . . .	Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
May 17	8:30 a.m.	Sacred Pause. . . . .	Online
	9:00 a.m.	Deacon Retreat . . . . .	Borwell Dining Room
	2:00 p.m.	Morgan Simmons Memorial . . . . .	Sanctuary

**Preaching on Sunday, May 18: Rocky Supinger**