



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.”**

Worshiping in Person at Fourth Church

Each summer Sunday our worshipping body—which is a wonderful mix of those online, on the phone, and in the pews—gathers at 10:00 a.m.

Entering the building

The doors open at 9:30 a.m. There is an entrance without steps that leads to the Sanctuary on Michigan Avenue, through the glass Loggia doors (*next to the courtyard*). There are also two fully accessible entrances: one at 126 E. Chestnut—where the reception desk is located—and one 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 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Validation tickets for the garages must be picked up from ushers.

Worshipping Online

Livestream

We livestream the worship service each Sunday on our YouTube channel—bit.ly/fpcvideos—which is also accessible from the home page of our website: fourthchurch.org

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

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.

With Gratitude for the Replogle Center

During worship today we will join in giving thanks for the transformative ministry of the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, which after forty-nine years of healing, care, and connection will be closing on June 30.

Founded in 1976 through the support of longtime Fourth Church member, Luther I. Replogle, and named in honor of his wife, the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being has helped meet the mental health needs of the community and the Fourth Church congregation in a way that reflects God's love for all.

Under Founding Director Dr. John H. Boyle and the current Director, Dr. Thomas Schemper, the Replogle Center also evolved into a highly respected training program for social work, psychology, and pastoral counseling graduate students—individuals who have carried the mission of the Center across the globe, ensuring a lasting impact for this ministry of care.

For all who, over the years, have served on the staff and for the lives that have been changed by their work we give thanks to God.

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 worshippers 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.

Tom Are's Last Sunday with Us: June 15

In October 2023, Tom Are joined us as Interim Pastor to guide Fourth Church during the interim period between Shannon Kershner's ministry and that of our next Pastor. With the May 18 congregational vote to call the Reverend Dr. Camille Cook Howe as our Pastor, Tom will be retiring on Sunday, June 15.

Join us next Sunday when Tom will lead us in worship for the final time and we will gather for a special Coffee Hour reception to honor Tom and Carol, express our deep gratitude for their ministry and friendship, and wish them Godspeed in retirement.

We invite you to send messages of gratitude and well-wishes to Tom and Carol. You can do so by emailing amacdonna@fourthchurch.org and putting "Tom Are" in the subject line or by mailing an envelope to Allison MacDonna at Fourth Presbyterian Church, 126 E. Chestnut St., Chicago, IL 60611. Please send any messages by Monday, June 30 so we can compile them and present them to Tom and Carol.

Camille Cook Howe: Our New Pastor!

We look forward to welcoming the Reverend Dr. Camille Cook Howe as our next Pastor this September. Watch for details and read more at bit.ly/fpc-cch



Connections and Belonging

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

In-Person Coffee Hour

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

While there, we encourage you to browse the resources and information available at the various tables about Pride Month and celebrating Juneteenth.

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 online Coffee Hour. We gather via Zoom at 11:00 a.m., following the livestream of worship, for a time of fellowship.

Zoom link: bit.ly/coffeehourfpc; passcode: 676359

Connecting Online

Whether you will be traveling this summer, live out of town, or have difficulty getting to Fourth Church, 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.

Upcoming Opportunities



Looking to explore upcoming opportunities and events at Fourth Church? Visit our Events page—fourthchurch.org/events—and bookmark it for future reference

Get Connected

Books by Women

The monthly book group Books by Women meets this Tuesday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett. They will then take a break, resuming in September.

Women at Fourth Paint-n-Sip

Women are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship when Women at Fourth hosts the always popular “Paint-n-Sip” this Thursday, June 12 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. There will be refreshments and professional instruction in painting a one-of-a-kind “masterpiece.” Space is limited; registration is required at bit.ly/waf20256

Travel to Vietnam and Cambodia

Singers and non-singers alike are invited to join the Fourth Church choir tour to Vietnam and Cambodia in February 2027. For details, including cost and itinerary, contact Emma Cox (ecox@fourthchurch.org).

Joining the Fourth Church Family

If you are interested in becoming a member of Fourth Church, please join us for a one-session Inquirers’ Class on Wednesday, August 7 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom (register at bit.ly/inquirers82025) or in person on Sunday, September 21 at 12:15 p.m. in Room 5F (register at bit.ly/inquirers92025). For more information, contact Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org), Senior Associate Pastor, who would welcome hearing from you!

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 (gfleming@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 Associate Pastor Nancy Benson-Nicol (nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org), or to request support from a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.



Community Engagements and Partnerships

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

Celebrating Pride Month and Juneteenth

On Saturday, May 31, members of Fourth Church's LGBTQIA+ Widen Our Welcome group decorated the front of the church with ribbons to recognize two important June celebrations: Pride Month and Juneteenth. These decorations will remain up throughout the month of June, boldly communicating to all passersby our Christian values and God's inclusive love of all.

Juneteenth is represented by the red and blue ribbons and flags. The front steps of the Sanctuary are flanked by the traditional rainbow colors of Pride, and in between, the pink, blue, and white ribbons are tied in the style of the Transgender Pride flag. This latter flag was created in 2000 to celebrate and advocate for the rights of transgender, non-binary, and intersex people.

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, or ushering. 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 or contact Robert Crouch (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org).

Peace Walks in Auburn Gresham

The Mission and Justice Committee invites you to join them in letting your feet do the praying this summer: come be part of the Peace Walks of the St. Sabina Parish in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood. We'll be taking part in these walks this Friday, June 13 at 7:00 p.m. as well as on Fridays June 13, July 11, and August 1 and 15. Sign up at bit.ly/peacewalks2025, or for more information, contact Nancy (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Art Exhibition in the Loggia

The summer art exhibition in our Loggia Gallery features works by Charlene Moy, a Chicago-based Chinese American artist who assembles and weaves artificial materials with artist media to draw attention to the impact plastics have on our environment.

Summer Blood Drive

Mark Saturday, July 12 on your calendar as the day the Center for Life and Learning will host their quarterly blood drive in Borwell Dining Room between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Register at bit.ly/blooddrive20257

Blessing of the Animals

During the Michigan Avenue Arts Festival on Saturday, June 21 we will host a Blessing of the Animals service in our courtyard between 10:00 and 10:45 a.m.



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.

Summer Sunday School

Summer Sunday School takes place in June and July at 10:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Vacation Bible School

Children three years old through fifth grade are invited to join us for this year's Vacation Bible School adventure as we spend time learning about Paul and his travels, making crafts, and playing games. This year VBS will be held June 16–18 and 20 (no session on Juneteenth) from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; a half-day option is also available for preschoolers. Register at bit.ly/fpcvbs2025

Youth and adult volunteers are needed for VBS. To help, contact Matt Helms (mhelms@fourthchurch.org).

Podcasts from Fourth Church

Our weekly five-minute “Rhythm and Word” reflections (see facing page) by the pastors are available on multiple podcast platforms and at fourthchurch.org/podcasts as well as via video at bit.ly/fpcvideos

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.

Walking the Labyrinth

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

Beginning Today: “Jesus’ Parables”

Associate Pastor Matt Helms will lead a Sunday morning class on Jesus’ parables beginning this morning and continuing on June 22 and 29 at 11:15 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and via Zoom.

Each week we will look at some of Jesus’ most beloved parables — from unpacking the historical context behind them, to exploring various interpretations of these texts and why they still resonate with us today.

Each class will be a stand-alone session covering three parables. We hope you’ll join us for as many as you are able! For details register at bit.ly/parables2025

Bible Studies This Week

Women’s Summer Bible Study

Women’s Summer Bible Studies begin this Wednesday, June 11 and will meet via Zoom on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m.

The noon gathering will study the *Horizons* Bible Study “Dispatches to God’s Household: The General Epistles” by Associate Pastor Nancy Benson-Nicol, and this week Nancy will join us for the study.

The evening gathering will study the Sunday lectionary readings, including a passage from the Old Testament, Psalms, a non-Gospel New Testament book, and a Gospel.

For Zoom details for either group, contact Katie Patterson (kpatterson@fourthchurch.org).

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).

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) for details.

Prayer requests

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

“Final Wishes” Online Workshop

Our Caring Ministries Council invites you to connect with them online to complete “My Final Wishes for Being Cared for and Remembered.” This documentation of your arrangements and memorial plans can support those who will carry out your intentions at the time of your death.

The workshop will be offered on Wednesday, June 18 at 10:00 a.m. and will include access to resources, such as hymns and scripture, and time to support each other as we envision how our loved ones will memorialize us.

For the Zoom link, register at bit.ly/finalwishes20256

Resources for reflection

Daily devotions

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

“Rhythm and Word” videos and podcast

Each week we share a five-minute video and podcast reflection by a member of our pastoral staff. Sign up at bit.ly/rhythmandword to have the videos sent to your inbox on Wednesdays or subscribe to our YouTube channel (bit.ly/fpcvideos). You can also listen to these reflections via podcast (fourthchurch.org/podcasts).

Sermon Transcripts

In addition to listening to sermons from Fourth Church via podcast (see p. 11), you can read the text of the previous Sunday’s sermon (or past sermons in our archives). See fourthchurch.org/sermons or, to receive the sermons by email, subscribe at bit.ly/fpcsermon

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 and visit our news archive at fourthchurch.org/news

Calendar for June 8–14, 2025

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary / Online
June 8	10:00 a.m.	Infants/Parents Comfort Room.	Hospitality Suite
Day of Pentecost	10:00 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	Anderson Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Online Coffee Hour.	Zoom
	11:15 a.m.	Cornerstones Steering Committee	Room 4K
	11:15 a.m.	“Jesus’ Parables”.	Borwell Dining Room / Zoom
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30).	Anderson Hall
Monday	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Advanced French	Zoom
June 9	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors	Zoom
	10:45 a.m.	CLL: Intermediate French	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Silver Taps.	Zoom
	12:00 p.m.	CLL: Beginner French	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Art History	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Bridge	Room 5B
	1:30 p.m.	CLL: In the Beginning	Room 4F / Zoom
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Yoga	Room 5G
	4:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights: Career Interns	Room 5G
	5:30 p.m.	Stewardship and Giving Council	Zoom
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	Zoom
June 10	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause.	Online
	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
	9:30 a.m.	Together We Play	Classroom A
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Basic Spanish	Room 5D
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch.	Anderson Hall
	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
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Book Club	Zoom
	2:45 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi.	Anderson Hall / Zoom
	6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Bumpus Room
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Men’s Faith Study	Offsite Location
June 11	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

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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 Horizons Bible Study	Zoom
1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Available to Walk (until 3:00)	Buchanan Chapel
2:00 p.m.	CLL: Film Series.	Room 4G
3:00 p.m.	CLL: Drawing	Zoom
6:30 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study	Zoom
7:00 p.m.	Youth Committee.	Zoom

Thursday		9:00 a.m. Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making	Borwell Dining Room
	June 12	9:30 a.m. SSC: Drop-In Program.	Morse Lounge
		9:30 a.m. CLL: Silver Barre	Zoom
		10:00 a.m. CLL: Chicago Botanic Garden Trip	Offsite
		10:30 a.m. CLL: Golden Grooves.	Zoom
		11:00 a.m. CLL: The “Art” of Conversation	Room 4D
		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: 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
		2:30 p.m. CLL: CSO Docent.	Room 4G
		2:45 p.m. CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi.	Anderson Hall / Zoom
		5:15 p.m. Board of Trustees	Room 4G
		5:30 p.m. Women at Fourth: Paint-n-Sip	Borwell Dining Room
		6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	Room 4F

Friday		9:30 a.m. SSC: Drop-In Program.	Morse Lounge
	June 13	10:30 a.m. CLL: Nia	Zoom
		12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert	Sanctuary / Online
		2:00 p.m. CLL: Hooray for Hooks	Room 4C
		7:00 p.m. St. Sabina Peace Walk	Offsite Location

Saturday		8:30 a.m. Sacred Pause	Online
	June 14	<i>(There are no other events scheduled for Saturday)</i>	

Sunday, June 15
 One worship service at **10:00 a.m.**
Preaching: Tom Are Jr.