



## 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 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](https://bit.ly/fpcvideos)—which is also accessible from the home page of our website: [fourthchurch.org](https://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](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.

## Podcast

Podcast offerings from Fourth Church—available on multiple platforms and at [fourthchurch.org/podcasts](https://fourthchurch.org/podcasts)—include the Sunday worship service and sermon; weekly “Rhythm and Word” reflections; and “Bible Top Ten.”

## Welcoming Camille Cook Howe: Sept. 21

Be sure to mark Sunday, September 21 on your calendar, as that will be the day when the Reverend Dr. Camille Cook Howe, our next Pastor, preaches and leads us in worship for the first time.

Sunday, October 19 will also be a special day in our relationship with Camille: she will be officially installed as Pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago during the 9:30 a.m. service that morning. Please plan to be with us to celebrate this exciting new chapter in the life of our congregation!

## Restoring the 1914 Murals

The scaffolding in the South Balcony is to facilitate the restoration work on the 1914 Frederic Clay Bartlett ceiling murals. A series of the Bartlett panels can be seen on the wall at the north end of the Commons.

## 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.

## 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 either Wednesday, August 27 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom (register at [bit.ly/inquirers82025](https://bit.ly/inquirers82025)) or in person on Sunday, September 21 at 12:15 p.m. in Room 5F (register at [bit.ly/inquirers92025](https://bit.ly/inquirers92025)).

For more information, contact Rocky Supinger ([rsupinger@fourthchurch.org](mailto: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 ([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 Associate Pastor Nancy Benson-Nicol ([nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nbenson-nicol@fourthchurch.org)), or to request support from a Stephen Minister, please leave a confidential message at 312.573.3365.



## 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 and the Commons after the service for our weekly Coffee Hour, an opportunity to greet each other and learn about ways to connect with one another and Fourth Church.

### We're Having a Picnic on August 10!

We had such fun at our congregational picnic earlier this month that we're having another one!

Mark Sunday, August 10 on your calendar and plan to join us in Anderson Hall, Borwell Dining Room, and the Commons for a festive time of summer fellowship and connection over a shared meal.

### 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](https://bit.ly/coffeehourfpc); passcode: 676359

### Fourth Church's Antiracism Covenant

In a July 18 email to the congregation, Session shared our recently approved Antiracism Covenant, which lifts up the ways in which we live into our antiracism call as individuals, as committees, and as a church. We encourage you to read it at [fourthchurch.org/about/antiracism/covenant.html](https://fourthchurch.org/about/antiracism/covenant.html)



## Community Engagements and Partnerships

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

### School Supply Drive

This week we will be giving school-supply-filled backpacks to Chicago Lights Summer Day students. Thank you to all who contributed supplies for them!

Items still needed for the Urban Farm backpacks (to be distributed in early August) and items for use at the Tutoring program are listed for online ordering at [bit.ly/schoolsupplydrivefpc](https://bit.ly/schoolsupplydrivefpc); you can also make a monetary gift at [fourthchurch.org/give](https://fourthchurch.org/give) to help with our purchase of the remaining needed items (please note "School Supplies" in the giving comments section).

For more information about the drive, contact Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)).

### Peace Walks with St. Sabina

The Mission and Justice Committee invites you to join them in walking in the Friday evening St. Sabina Parish Peace Walks in the Auburn Gresham neighborhood at 7:00 p.m. this Friday, August 1 and also on August 15.

To take part, sign up at [bit.ly/peacewalks2025](https://bit.ly/peacewalks2025) or, for details, email Nancy Davis ([ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)).

### Volunteering with Meals Ministry

Fourth Church Meals Ministry has openings for volunteers to serve between now and September 30. You can sign up for them at [bit.ly/fpcvolunteers](https://bit.ly/fpcvolunteers)

For more information about how you can support this program, contact Mike Usiak ([musiak@fourthchurch.org](mailto:musiak@fourthchurch.org)), Meals Ministry Manager.



## 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 concludes today with a 10:00 a.m. session on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Sunday School will be taking a break during August and resume on Get Connected Sunday on September 7!

#### Montreat Youth Conference

Yesterday eight students and two adults from Fourth Church headed to North Carolina to join youth from around the country for the weeklong Montreat Youth Conference, this year around the theme “Light My Path.” Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they journey and grow together in faith.

### Daily Devotions

We 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](http://bit.ly/fpcdevotions); you can also find them online at [fourthchurch.org/devotions](http://fourthchurch.org/devotions) as well as on Facebook.

### “Rhythm and Word” Videos and Podcast

Each week we share a five-minute video and podcast reflection by one of the pastors. This month Joe Morrow invites us into an exploration of the writings of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Dorothy Day, Thomas Merton, and others. Sign up at [bit.ly/rhythmword](http://bit.ly/rhythmword) to have the videos sent to your inbox on Wednesdays or subscribe to our YouTube channel ([bit.ly/fpcvideos](http://bit.ly/fpcvideos)). You can also listen to these reflections via podcast ([fourthchurch.org/podcasts](http://fourthchurch.org/podcasts)).

### 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)).

### Bible Studies via Zoom

#### Men’s Bible Study

Men’s Bible Study—which focuses on recent or upcoming scripture readings from the pulpit—welcomes new participants to join them for their weekly gathering via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 a.m. For details, email Katie Patterson ([kpatterson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:kpatterson@fourthchurch.org)).

#### Women’s Summer Bible Studies

Women’s Bible Studies meet via Zoom on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, with the next study on Wednesday, August 13, at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m.

The noon gathering is studying the *Horizons* Bible Study “Dispatches to God’s Household: The General Epistles” by Associate Pastor Nancy Benson-Nicol.

The evening gathering is studying the Sunday lectionary readings, including Old Testament and New Testament texts.

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

## Calendar for July 27–August 2, 2025

<b>Sunday</b>	All day	Montreat Youth Conference. . . . .	North Carolina
July 27	10:00 a.m.	Worship . . . . .	Sanctuary / Online
	10:00 a.m.	Infants/Parents Comfort Room. . . . .	Hospitality Suite
	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
	11:00 a.m.	School Supply Backpack Assembly. . . . .	Room 4G
	12:30 p.m.	Deacon Calling Ministry . . . . .	Manse
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper (until 5:30). . . . .	Anderson Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Medical Service . . . . .	Borwell Dining Room

<b>Monday</b>	All day	Montreat Youth Conference. . . . .	North Carolina
July 28	8:30 a.m.	Summer Day. . . . .	Fifth Floor
	10:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . .	Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Sit Down and Tap! . . . . .	Zoom
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Bridge . . . . .	Room 4D
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Yoga . . . . .	Room 4F / Zoom

<b>Tuesday</b>	All day	Montreat Youth Conference. . . . .	North Carolina
July 29	7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study . . . . .	Zoom
	8:30 a.m.	Summer Day. . . . .	Fifth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Stronger Seniors . . . . .	Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	Together We Play . . . . .	Classroom A
	11:30 a.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunch. . . . .	Anderson Hall
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Improv. . . . .	Room 4D
	1:00 p.m.	CLL: Walk with Ease . . . . .	Room 4K
	1:00 p.m.	Shower Ministry . . . . .	Showers
	2:30 p.m.	CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi. . . . .	Anderson Hall / Zoom

<b>Wednesday</b>	All day	Montreat Youth Conference. . . . .	North Carolina
July 30	7:30 a.m.	Men's Faith Study . . . . .	Offsite
	8:30 a.m.	Summer Day. . . . .	Fifth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer . . . . .	Zoom
	9:30 a.m.	CLL: Yoga for Osteoporosis . . . . .	Zoom

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visit our news archive at [fourthchurch.org/news](https://fourthchurch.org/news)



## Calendar for July 27–August 2, 2025

10:30 a.m. CLL: Zing . . . . . Zoom  
 11:00 a.m. CLL: Midweek Meditation . . . . . Room 4F  
 11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . . Anderson Hall  
 12:00 p.m. CLL: Current Events . . . . . Room 4G  
 1:00 p.m. CLL: Walk with Ease . . . . . Room 4K  
 2:00 p.m. CLL: Film Series . . . . . Room 4G

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**Thursday** All day Montreat Youth Conference . . . . . North Carolina  
 July 31 8:30 a.m. Summer Day . . . . . Fifth Floor  
 9:00 a.m. Meals Ministry Sandwich-Making . . . . . Parish House Kitchen  
 9:30 a.m. CLL: Chair-Based Ballet . . . . . 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 4K  
 11:30 a.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunch . . . . . Anderson Hall  
 12:15 p.m. AA Meeting . . . . . Room 4F  
 1:00 p.m. CLL: Music Therapy . . . . . Room 4G  
 2:30 p.m. CLL: Intermediate Tai Chi . . . . . Anderson Hall / Zoom  
 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting . . . . . Room 4F

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**Friday** All day Montreat Youth Conference . . . . . North Carolina  
 August 1 8:30 a.m. Summer Day . . . . . Fifth Floor  
 10:30 a.m. CLL: Nia . . . . . Zoom  
 12:10 p.m. Music by the Fountain . . . . . Michigan Avenue Courtyard  
 1:00 p.m. CLL: Walk with Ease . . . . . Room 4K  
 1:00 p.m. Summer Day Final Performance . . . . . Buchanan Chapel  
 7:00 p.m. St. Sabina Peace Walk . . . . . Auburn Gresham

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**Saturday** All day Montreat Youth Conference . . . . . North Carolina  
 August 2 (No other events are scheduled for Saturday)

**Sunday, August 3 • 10:00 a.m. • Rocky Supinger preaching**