



## Thank you for helping us celebrate our 41st annual Chicago CROP Hunger Walk!

You, symbolizing the walk of the disadvantaged, spread awareness about hunger, while fundraising for Church World Service (CWS) and five local hunger and poverty relief agencies. One in eight people in our world have constant hunger, especially developing countries. One in eight in Cook County have food insecurity.

Please turn in remaining donations to Treasurer Charles Gunn by December 10<sup>th</sup>. Report form at: [chicagocropwalk.org](http://chicagocropwalk.org). Mail checks only (no cash).  
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**1<sup>st</sup> Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
1124 S. Ashland Ave.  
169<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary

**October 15, 2023**

**12:00-1:30pm**

Registration, Food & Free Family Fun Fest

**1:30-1:45pm**

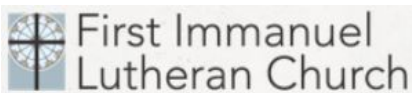
Opening Ceremony & Step Off

**3:30-3:45pm**

Welcome Back & Cheesecake

**Corporate Partner:**   
FIRST UNITED  
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THE CHICAGO TEMPLE

**Gold Level Sponsor:**



**Silver Level Sponsor:**

- IES Drilling Supplies
- Thrivent Financial
- Ald. Walter Burnett, Jr., Ward 27

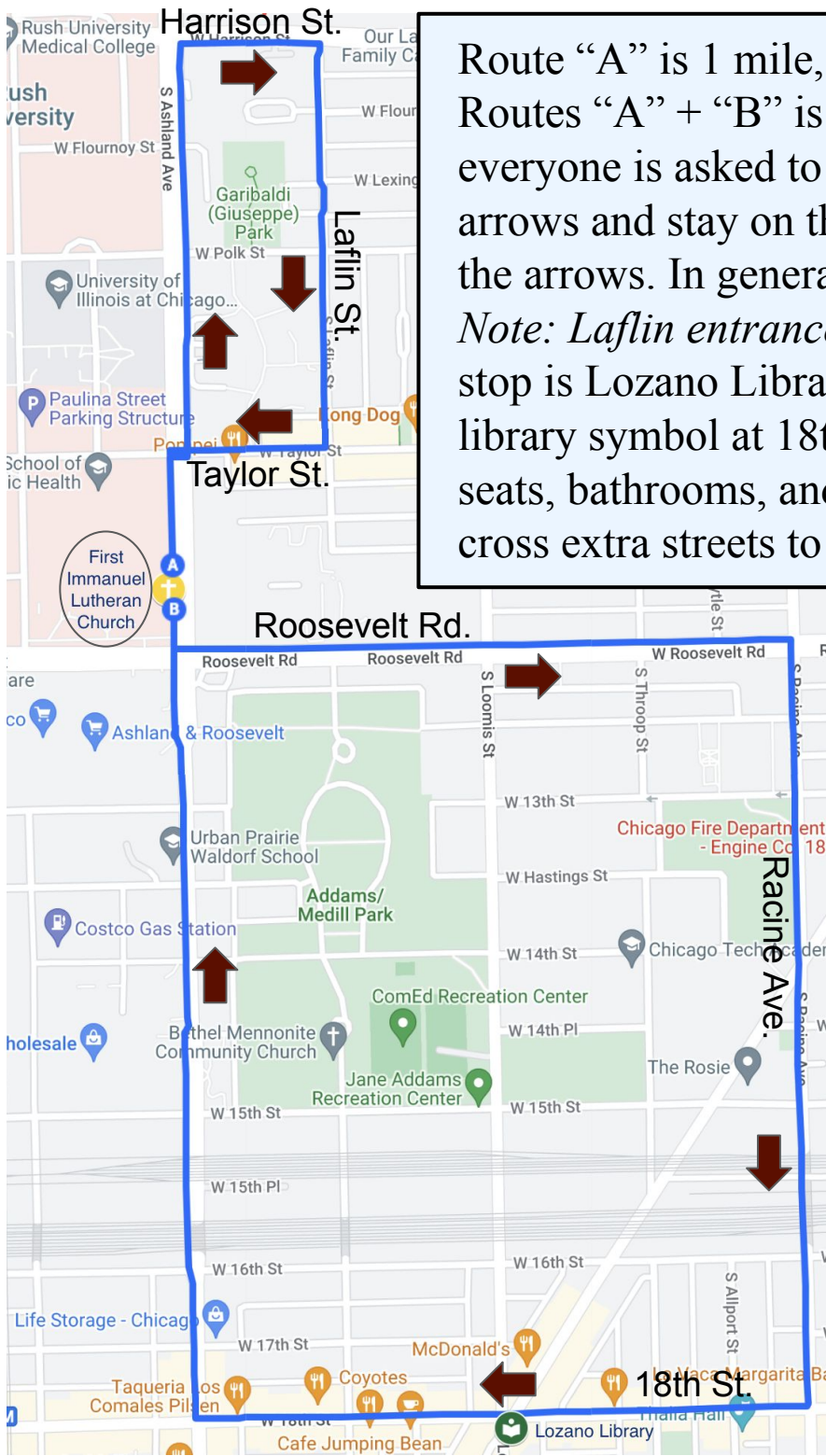
**Bronze Level Sponsors:**

- Felice Johnson Family & Friends for food donation
- A Just Harvest for food donation
- Eli's Cheesecake for six cheesecakes donation

### Opening Ceremony Program

1. Greetings and Introductions by Charles Gunn, Acting Coordinator
  - ❖ Chicago CROP Walk Planning Committee
  - ❖ Church and Organization Representatives
  - ❖ Vicar Anne McCall, 1st Immanuel
2. Welcome Special Guest and Sponsor by Wanda Norris, Planning Committee
  - ❖ Ald. Walter Burnett, Jr., 27<sup>th</sup> Ward
3. Mission Statement by Vicar Anne McCall
  - ❖ Remind why participation is so important to hungry and thirsty people around the world
  - ❖ We/the Church/CWS programs can help and make a difference.
  - ❖ Introduce reps from local grant recipient agencies
4. Appreciation & Acknowledgements by Lanise Sanders, Planning Committee
  - ❖ Event Sponsors
  - ❖ Event Supporters
  - ❖ Walkers and Teams
5. Invocation by Vicar Anne McCall
6. Review Walk Logistics & Safety Tips by Bridget Harris, Planning Committee
  - ❖ Countdown to End Hunger... **Start walking!**

Route “A” is 1 mile, Route “B” is 2.5 miles, and Routes “A” + “B” is near a 5K. To start together, everyone is asked to walk Route “A”. Follow the arrows and stay on the same side of the street as the arrows. In general, you walk with the traffic. *Note: Laflin entrance has an unlocked gate! A rest stop is Lozano Library, marked on the map with a library symbol at 18th/Blue Island/Loomis, with seats, bathrooms, and water fountains. You must cross extra streets to reach library at SE corner.*



**Friendly Reminders**

- Walk only on designated sidewalks
- Obey traffic signals
- Place trash in receptacles
- Please refill water bottles on-route
- Let others know about CROP Walk!
- Call 312-927-8563 with questions.
- Help end hunger one step at a time! Wave pom-poms & cheer for CROP!

**Local Chicago Grant Partners**

1. A Just Harvest (Rogers Park)
2. Episcopal Diocese of Chicago Hunger Comm. (city-wide)
3. St. Thomas Feeding Ministry (Near South)
4. Mayfield Community Pantry (Austin)
5. Our Kids, Our Responsibility’s (Bronzeville)

**Walk Planning Committee**

Acting Coordinator Charles Gunn (Third Unitarian), Rev. Gary Cox (Episcopal Hunger Committee), Fran Horn (St. James Cathedral), Bridget Harris (A Just Harvest), Felice Johnson, Wanda Norris (O.K.O.R.), Vicar Anne McCall (1<sup>st</sup> Immanuel), Lanise Sanders (St. Thomas), Marla Rainey (Mayfield Pantry) and Jessica Christensen (CWS Engagement Specialist). *Special Thanks to Gail Angel, Advisor and #1 Fundraiser with Eden U. C. C.*

*\*Join us 3rd Tues. @ 7pm for Planning meetings with Zoom link at: [chicagocropwalk.org](http://chicagocropwalk.org).  
\*Next year’s 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chicago CROP Walk is Sunday, October 20, 2024!*