

March 12–18, 2017

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## Lent and Easter

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, will take place on Thursday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at Chicago Sinai (15 W. Delaware; please arrive by 5:45 p.m.). For tickets (required), sign up at [www.bit.ly/seder2017](http://www.bit.ly/seder2017) or call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by March 16.

A **Lenten Taizé service** will be held on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel, preceded by a labyrinth walk.

**Remember loved ones** by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Sunday, April 2 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made online at [www.bit.ly/FPCgifts](http://www.bit.ly/FPCgifts), by using the cards available in the literature racks, or by calling Andrea Miller (312.640.2576).

**Daily Lenten devotions** are available via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions) or send addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)). They are also posted on Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and the church website ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)) and are available in printed booklets.

## News and Resources

**Inquirers' Class** offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church. This one-session class, which is a prerequisite for membership, meets this Saturday, March 18 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4F.

**Connection Corner** helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour.

**Please use the recycling baskets** around campus to help us care for creation.



### Join Us for Coffee Hour Chats!

Grab some coffee and head over to the Page Smith Room during 10:30 and 12:00 Coffee Hour on Sundays during Lent. We are taking this weekly time together to have fifteen- to twenty-minute informal conversations with one another. Today's chat will offer opportunity to share reflections on this morning's scripture reading and the sermon.

## Worship

**Tony De La Rosa**, interim executive director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency, will be our guest preacher during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services next Sunday, March 19.

**Individuals can lift up prayer concerns** with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship. Written prayer requests can be left in the boxes by Stone Chapel, the Narthex, and Commons.

**The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel** is available for walking Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. (*See page 4 for times.*)

**Sacred Pause**, twenty minutes of meditative silence, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

**Morning Prayer** is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to join staff in praying for Fourth Church members and those in need.

## Mission and Outreach

**The PCUSA World Mission** class continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Rachel Yates, Associate Director of World Mission for the PCUSA, will be this morning's speaker. Next Sunday, Tony De La Rosa—also that morning's guest preacher—will speak at 12:15 p.m. in 4G.

**Read about Chicago Lights**—the nonprofit community outreach arm of Fourth Church—in their 2016 annual report: [www.bit.ly/clreport2016](http://www.bit.ly/clreport2016)

**Habitat for Humanity Chicago Women Build** will be the topic of a presentation by Jennifer Parks, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Chicago, that will be hosted by Women at Fourth on Thursday, March 23 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

**A mission trip with BorderLinks** in Tucson to learn about the immigrant experience in the Southwest will be led by Abbi Heimach-Snipes July 22–29. Register at [www.bit.ly/border2017](http://www.bit.ly/border2017) by March 26.

**The Benevolent Guild** gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create gifts for hospitalized children.

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets**—which offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a grocery store or restaurant—are available at the Mission table during Coffee Hour or by emailing Nancy Davis at [ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Today Sunday School children** will sit with their parents for the first half of the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. They will leave with their teachers during the Gloria Patri and go to their classrooms on the fourth floor, where they can be picked up after worship.

**Eighth-grade Confirmation** meets today at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5A.

**Youth in grades 6–12** meet for fellowship at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and gather at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G (Junior Highs) and Bumpus Room (Senior Highs).

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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**Pancake breakfast tickets** are available during Coffee Hour today for the Sunday, March 19 breakfast in Borwell Dining Room. Proceeds support our youth mission trips to Cuba, Montreat, and Detroit.

A “**Magical**” **Family Night**, complete with a magician, takes place Friday, March 17 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

**Tunes for Tots** resumes next Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in Day School Classroom B.

**Fourth Church Day School** is accepting applications for its 2017–18 half-day Twos and Preschool classes. For information, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579).

## Enrichment

“**Reading Romans with Karl Barth** during Lent,” a Bible study led by Robert Cathey, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

**Meditation opportunities** are offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m.

**Christian Century Study Group** will meet Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**Men’s Bible Study** meets next Tuesday, March 21 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The book ***Faithful Resistance: Gospel Visions for the Church in a Time of Empire*** will be the topic of a discussion led by Abbi Heimach-Snipes on Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

## Volunteers and Donations

**The Meals Ministry Bag Lunch** program is in immediate need of sweet snacks, such as granola bars, cookie packs, pudding cups, or unopened boxes of Girl Scout cookies to be used in packing lunches. Donations labeled “Bag Lunches” can be dropped off at the church reception desk.

**The Chicago Lights Elam Davies** Social Service Center will hold a one-session orientation for new volunteers on Thursday, March 16 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 4E. RSVP at <http://bit.ly/1R9YyIH>

*For more opportunities or to sign up, stop by Coffee Hour; email Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at [rcrouch@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rcrouch@fourthchurch.org), or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer](http://www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer)*

## Fellowship

**Young Adults** have their weekly Gathering time today at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War* by Karen Abbott this Tuesday, March 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**To sponsor Coffee Hour** in memory or honor of a loved one or special occasion, email Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)

## Music and the Arts

**The Credo Ensemble** will present this week’s free Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Center for Life and Learning art classes** for adults sixty and over are exhibiting student works in the Loggia this month.

## Calendar for March 12–18, 2017

### Sunday, March 12

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Rocky Supinger preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00, 10:30 a.m.;	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons	
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery	Nursery / Day School	
	<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School Students in Worship	<i>(see announcement)</i>	
	9:30 a.m.	Reading Romans	Room 5G	
	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation	Room 5A	
	10:00 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room	
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.		Coffee Hour Chats	Page Smith Room	
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel	
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Gatherings	Room 5G / Bumpus Room	
	11:00 a.m.	PCUSA World Mission	Borwell Dining Room	
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A	
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Nanette Sawyer preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall	

### Monday, March 13

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk <i>(also Tues.)</i>		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.		Day School <i>(also Tues.–Fri.)</i>		Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper		Catholic Charities
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.		Tutoring <i>(also Tues.–Thurs.)</i>		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	7:00 p.m.	Grief Group		Boyle Conference Room

### Tuesday, March 14

	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause		Stone Chapel
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches <i>(also Wed.–Thurs.)</i>		Anderson Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Bumpus Room
	6:00 p.m.	Path of Discipleship		Anderson Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Intro to Meditation/Meditation		Boyle Conference Room

### Wednesday, March 15

	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Room 5B
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Group		Randolph Room

### Thursday, March 16

	3:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Volunteer Orientation		Room 4E
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary

### Friday, March 17

	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Credo Ensemble		Sanctuary
	5:30 p.m.	Family Night		Borwell Dining Room

### Saturday, March 18

	9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class		Room 4F
	10:30 a.m.	Chicago Lights Dance Academy		Parish House Dining Room

### Worship on Sunday, March 19

	8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms preaching		
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Tony De La Rosa preaching		
	4:00 p.m.	Hardy H. Kim preaching		

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.