

February 25–March 3, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## Lent

**Lenten devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff are available daily at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as [fourthchurch.org](https://fourthchurch.org); via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](https://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); and in booklets in the literature racks.

**A candlelit Lenten Taizé service**—a contemplative service of prayer, meditative song, and silent reflection—will be held Friday evening, March 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**A contemplative Lenten retreat** will be held at Fourth Church on Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Cosponsored by the Fourth Church Spiritual Formation Council and Urban Village Church, the retreat will be facilitated by Teresa Pasquale Mateus of Mystic Soul Project. Registration is required and can be completed at [www.bit.ly/lentretreat18](https://www.bit.ly/lentretreat18)

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, will take place on Wednesday, March 14 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/seder2018](https://www.bit.ly/seder2018) or call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by February 28.

## Holy Week and Easter

**Gifts toward our Easter flower Sanctuary decorations** can be made by using the cards available in the literature racks, online at [www.bit.ly/FPCgifts](https://www.bit.ly/FPCgifts), or by calling Andrea Miller (312.640.2576). Names of those honored by the gifts will be listed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Sunday, March 18 in order for the names to be printed.

## Fellowship

**Today Coffee Hour Chats** take place at 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room and offer time for discussion of themes from this morning's sermon.



## Gala of Hope registration closes this Monday!

Don't miss the festivities this Friday evening in support of our life-changing outreach work through Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being! Tickets—including for the "Windy City Escapade" drawing (*the winner need not be present at the Gala to win*)—are available at Coffee Hour this morning and online at [www.bit.ly/gala-2018](https://www.bit.ly/gala-2018)

## Enrichment

**The Young Adults** group for those in their twenties and thirties has their weekly Sunday Gathering time of discussion and fellowship today at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Their small group meets Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

**Men's Book Club** will discuss *Republic Lost* by Lawrence Lessig this Monday, February 26 at 7:30 a.m. in the Parish House Dining Room.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family* by Amy Ellis Nutton on Tuesday, March 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Bumpus.

To sponsor **Coffee Hour** in recognition of a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**Connection Corner** during Coffee Hour offers opportunity to discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church.

## Mission and Outreach

**Knitting and Crocheting** meets this Tuesday, February 27 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for a time of fellowship, to drop off items made for those in need, and to pick up materials.

**The Benevolent Guild** meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in 5B to create taggies and stuffed animals for hospitalized children. (*No sewing experience necessary.*)

**The 2018 Chicago Marathon** team for Chicago Lights is recruiting runners. For details, call Lauren Suppes (312.981.3383).

**"Martin Luther King Jr.: Honoring the Legacy"** will be the topic of a Black History Month presentation by Daniel Davis today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

**Matt Helms and Nanette Sawyer** will share in informal discussion today at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room as part of "Conversations on Ministry," a class exploring the topic of God's call to ministry and discipleship.

**"Christian Spirituality: What It Is and Why It Matters,"** taught by Carol Allen, concludes today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D.

**Two new adult education classes** begin next Sunday, March 4: "Conversations about Palestine and Israel" at 9:30 a.m. with Nanette Sawyer and Dirk Ficca and "Celtic Spirituality" at 11:00 a.m. with Vicky Curtiss.

**Men's Bible Study** next meets Tuesday, March 6 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**"Better Living Toolkit,"** a Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being workshop offering simple tools to deal with what life throws at us, will be Saturday, March 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. Register (*required*) at [www.bit.ly/toolkit0318](http://www.bit.ly/toolkit0318)

## Children, Youth, and Family

**TED Talks for Parents** meets next Sunday, March 4 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

*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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**Sunday School** meets at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

**Youth** meet for fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. At 11:00 a.m. Junior Highs meet in Room 4G; Confirmation in Room 5A; and Senior Highs in Bumpus.

**Tunes for Tots**, for parents and children up to two years old, is held on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Day School Classroom B.

**Choirs for children and youth** meet in Room 4F: Cherub (age 3–grade 1) at 9:00 a.m.; Youth (grades 6–12) at 10:00; and Children's (grades 2–5) at 10:30.

## News and Resources

**Inquirers' Class** provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class, which is a prerequisite for membership, will next be offered on Sunday, March 11 at 9:00 a.m. Class attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

## Music and the Arts

**The exhibition of art by members** of Fourth Church that is on display in the Loggia closes this Tuesday, February 27.

**Harpist Katherine Ventura** will present this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

## Worship

**Sacred Pause** meditation, a weekly time of silent reflection, 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 prayer for Fourth Church members and those in need.

**Today those interested in reading scripture** during upcoming Sunday services are invited to a brief lay liturgist training session in the Sanctuary after 11:00 a.m. worship. No experience needed. For details and future training dates, contact Shawn Fiedler ([sfiedler@fourthchurch.org](mailto:sfiedler@fourthchurch.org)).

**Individuals can lift up prayer concerns** with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sundays. Written prayer requests can be placed in boxes outside the Sanctuary entrances.

**A weekly Jazz at Four worship service** with Communion is held on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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

## Volunteers/Donations Needed

**Volunteer to help an older member** (*who lives near the church*) get to and from Sunday morning worship services

**Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring;** orientation will be March 5 at 6:00 p.m.

**Shower Ministry greeters (men)** for rotating Tuesday schedule (1:15–4:00 p.m.)

**Individually packaged snack items** for Meals Ministry guests

**Men's clothing (all sizes)** for guests of the Social Service Center Share Shop

**Large paper shopping bags** for use by Share Shop and Food Pantry guests

*To sign up or for information about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382; [rcrouch@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)).*

## Calendar for February 25–March 3, 2018

<b>Sunday, February 25</b>		<b>Second Sunday in Lent</b>	
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Rocky Supinger preaching</b> <b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots	Day School Classroom 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>Rocky Supinger preaching</b> <b>Sanctuary</b>	
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
	9:30 a.m.	“Christian Spirituality”	Room 5D
	10:30 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 12:00 p.m.		Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	“Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.”	Room 5G
	11:00 a.m.	“Conversations on Ministry”	Borwell Dining Room
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Groups	(see announcement)
	12:00 p.m.	Lay Liturgist Training	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Room 5A
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz at Four</b> <b>Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching</b> <b>Sanctuary</b>	
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, February 26</b>			
	7:30 a.m.	Men’s Book Club	Parish House Dining Room
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk ( <i>also Tues.</i> )	Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool ( <i>also Tues.–Fri.</i> )	Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring ( <i>also Tues.–Thurs.</i> )	Fifth Floor, Gratz Center
	6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Small Group	Manse
<b>Tuesday, February 27</b>			
	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
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.		Knitting and Crocheting	Room 4F
	6:00 p.m.	Path of Discipleship	Anderson Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room
<b>Wednesday, February 28</b>			
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
<b>Thursday, March 1</b>			
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Friday, March 2</b>			
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Katherine Ventura, harp	Buchanan Chapel
	5:30 p.m.	Gala of Hope	Radisson Blu Aqua
<b>Saturday, March 3</b>			
	10:00 a.m.	Better Living Toolkit	Boyle Conference Room
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<b>Worship on March 4</b>		<b>Third Sunday in Lent</b>	
	8:00 a.m.	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching   Communion	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Lucy Forster-Smith preaching	
	4:00 p.m.	Nanette Sawyer preaching   Jazz Communion	