

March 25–31, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

Holy Week and Easter

Join Us for Worship on Easter Sunday, April 1

6:30 a.m.

Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach
Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching

8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Easter Service
Shannon J. Kershner preaching

9:30 a.m.

Children's Program
in the Gratz Center, Fourth Floor

4:00 p.m.

Easter Jazz Service
Nanette Sawyer preaching

On **Maundy Thursday**, March 29, there will be a 12:10 p.m. Communion service as well as a 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae service, also with Communion. The 12:10 p.m. service will include opportunity for those who are interested to participate in foot or hand washing. The evening Tenebrae service portrays the progression from light to darkness in the passion of Jesus.

On **Good Friday**, March 30, Rocky Supinger will preach at the 12:10 p.m. service. The 7:30 p.m. choral service will feature Domenico Scarlatti's *Stabat Mater*.

A **Good Friday program for children** will be held March 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel.

A **Saturday Easter Vigil** will be held on March 31, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard with the kindling of a fire to provide candlelight to carry into the darkened Sanctuary. As Easter draws near, the Sanctuary light increases and we reaffirm our baptismal vows and celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Devotions for Holy Week and Easter are available daily at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as fourthchurch.org; via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); and in booklets in the literature racks.



It couldn't be easier to share your church with a friend: whether it's a thought-provoking quote from a recent sermon, an inspiring reflection from a daily devotion, an invitation to attend the moving Tenebrae service on Thursday night, or joyful Easter greetings, you will find all on our page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch) this week. Why not share at least one with friends!

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The fish banks presented during the palm processions have been used at home by the children during Lent to collect gifts for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Gifts to this offering—which supports Fourth Church Meals Ministry; Chicago Lights Tutoring and Social Service Center; and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People, and Hunger Programs—can be made using the envelopes in the pew racks; by writing “Lenten Offering” on a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church; or at www.bit.ly/FPCgiving

A Good Friday Walk in the Cabrini-Green neighborhood with fellow members of the Near North Ministry Alliance takes place Friday, March 30 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., beginning at Seward Park (375 W. Elm).

Our Easter Brunch for all ages—with a menu of ham, bacon, waffles, scrambled eggs, hash browns, fresh fruit, Danish, orange juice, and hot coffee and tea—will be served at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room on Easter Sunday, April 1. Tickets are available online at www.bit.ly/fpcbrunch18 or by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center. Next Sunday they will meet at 9:30 a.m. for an Easter program on the fourth floor.

Youth in grades 6–12 meet for fellowship today at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. They will take part in the Palm Procession at 11:30 a.m.

Expanded nursery care will be available on Easter Sunday for infants and toddlers, with the nursery open from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. that day.

Family worship bulletins for young children are available from the ushers.

The Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its 2018–19 early childhood programs, including a tot-and-parent class, a three-morning preschool class, and an extended-day option. Space is also available for June 5–8 and June 11–14 summer programs. For details, contact Kathy Hager (khager@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Servers to offer cider to those waiting in Easter worship lines Sunday, April 1 (*from 8:00 to 9:10 a.m. or 10:00 to 11:10 a.m.*)

Easter Brunch volunteers to set up, serve, and host the congregational brunch Sunday, April 1 (*11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*)

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).

Worship

Those interested in being a lay liturgist and reading scripture during worship on a Sunday are invited to a brief training session today in the Sanctuary following 11:30 a.m. worship. No experience needed. For details about future trainings, email Shawn Fiedler (sfiedler@fourthchurch.org).

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

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We will be live streaming the Easter 11:30 a.m. service for those who are unable to be with us or who want to share the service with those who are out of town. The live stream will be online at www.bit.ly/FPCworship (and also accessible at fourthchurch.org), where it will be viewable in the days afterwards as well.

Mission and Outreach

Knitting and Crocheting has their monthly gathering this Tuesday, March 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.

A Blue Bows Prayer Service will be held Thursday, April 5 at 9:00 a.m. Afterwards volunteers will tie blue bows outside the church as part of our Child Abuse Prevention Awareness efforts. To volunteer, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

Used bicycles will be collected on Saturday, April 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the church. The bicycles will be repaired by Working Bikes and sent to those in need.

Music and the Arts

Those interested in singing with the Fourth Church Choral Society are invited to eight weeks of rehearsals beginning Thursday, April 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Art by guests of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center is on display in the Loggia through April 12.

Fellowship

Cornerstones, a group for those fifty and over, gathers Friday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell for dinner and a program. Register (*required*) by April 4 online at www.bit.ly/cfpc0418 or call Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

The Young Adults group meets on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Men's Book Group will discuss *Provenance: How a Con Man and a Forger Rewrote the History of Modern Art* this Monday at 7:30 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

Books by Women will discuss *The Secrets of Wishtide* by Kate Saunders on Tuesday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Fourth for Bridge will gather on Saturday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. For details, call Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

News and Resources

Inquirers' Class, a one-session pre-requisite for membership, will be offered Sunday, April 8 at 9:00 a.m. Attendees will worship together at 11:00 a.m. that day.

Lucy Forster-Smith will be installed as our Senior Associate Pastor for Leadership Development and Adult Education on Sunday, April 8 during the 11:00 service.

The congregational pancake breakfast to raise funds for the youth's 2018 mission trips will be Sunday morning, April 15.

Enrichment

"Religion within the Bounds of Mere Reason," a class led by Clare Pearson and using Kant's *Religion within the Limits of Reason Alone*, begins today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D.

"Celtic Spirituality," a class led by Vicky Curtiss, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

Men's Bible Study next meets on Tuesday morning, April 3 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Calendar for March 25–31, 2018

Sunday, March 25 Palm/Passion Sunday			
	8:00 a.m.	Worship	Lucy Forster-Smith
9:00, 10:30 a.m.;	12:30 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.		Nursery	Nursery / Day School
9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Worship			
		Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 and 11:30 a.m.		Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
	9:30 a.m.	“Religion within the Bounds of Mere Reason”	Room 5D
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	“Celtic Spirituality”	Room 5D
	12:30 p.m.	Lay Liturgist Training	Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Room 5A
	12:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
	12:45 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four			
		Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, March 26			
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	7:30 a.m.	Men’s Book Club	Parish House Dining Room
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	<i>Catholic Charities</i>
Tuesday, March 27			
7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	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
	7:30 p.m.	Chicago Ensemble	Buchanan Chapel
Wednesday, March 28			
	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
Thursday, March 29 Maundy Thursday			
	12:10 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship	Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service	Sanctuary
Friday, March 30 Good Friday			
	12:10 p.m.	Good Friday Worship	Sanctuary
	3:00 p.m.	Good Friday Walk in Cabrini-Greem	(<i>see announcement</i>)
	5:30 p.m.	Children’s Good Friday Program	Buchanan Chapel
	7:30 p.m.	Good Friday Choral Service	Sanctuary
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