March 4-10, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

News and Opportunities

Lent

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

Lenten devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff 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.

Holy Week and Easter

Easter Sunday Brunch for families and individuals of all ages will be served at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room on April 1. Tickets are available online at www.bit.ly/fpcbrunch18 or by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Palm Sunday, with the children's palm procession at the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. services, is March 25. Please note that the last morning service that day and on Easter Sunday, April 1 begins at 11:30 a.m.

News and Resources

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 11. Be sure to set clocks ahead an hour next Saturday night!

Inquirers' Class—a one-session opportunity to learn about Fourth Church—will be offered next 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.



Easter flowers in memory and honor of loved ones

Make gifts toward our Easter flower Sanctuary decorations in honor of loved ones and have their names listed in the Easter bulletin. Contributions can be made by using the cards available in the literature racks, online at www.bit.ly/FPCgifts, or by calling Andrea Miller (312.640.2576). Donations must be received by Sunday, March 18 in order for the names to printed.

Enrichment

"Conversations about Palestine and Israel: Bridging Divisions," an adult education class led by Nanette Sawyer and Dirk Ficca, begins today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D.

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

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

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

Women at Fourth's Horizons Bible study meets Wednesday noon, March 14 in 5H.

A meditation group hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being meets on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. Those who would like to stay for a time of discussion afterwards are invited to do so.

Children, Youth, and Family

Children will be joining us in worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. next Sunday, March 11. They will sit with their parents until just prior to the sermon, when they will leave with their teachers for Sunday School.

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

TED Talks for Parents meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

A Family Night magic show with dinner will be Friday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Families worshiping with young children are encouraged to request family worship bulletins from the ushers.

Youth meet for fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and then worship together in the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m.

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.

Music and the Arts

Art by Center for Life and Learning members is on display in the Loggia Gallery, celebrating the creativity of those participating in our weekday programming for adults sixty and over.

Mezzo-soprano Tracy Watson will present this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

The Morehouse College Glee Club, whose distinguished 107-year history includes singing at the funeral of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., will present a free concert Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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

Fellowship

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 Breakfast meets this Saturday, March 10 at 8:00 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room for a program by Dominic Barrington, Dean of Saint James Cathedral.

To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of someone or 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

The World Mission and Social Justice Committee invites you to stop by their Coffee Hour table today to sign a petition asking Governor Rauner to require state licensing for gun dealers.

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).

Worship

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.

Sacred Pause meditation, a time of silent reflection hosted by the Replogle Center and the Spiritual Formation Council, is held 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.

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

Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring one evening a week at the church; orientation will be this Monday, March 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Social Service Center volunteers; orientation will be March 15 at 3:00 p.m.

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

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

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

Individually packaged snack items for Meals Ministry guests

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

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).

Calendar for March 4-10, 2018

Sunday, March 4	Third Sunday in Lent	
8:00 a.m.	Worship Victoria G. Curtis	s preaching Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Loft
9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots	Day School Classroom B
9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m.	Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehear	
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
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship Lucy Forster-Smith	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
9:30 a.m.	"Palestine and Israel"	Room 5D
10:30 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus 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 Room 5D
11:00 a.m.	"Celtic Spirituality"	
11:00 a.m.	Youth in Worship	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four Nanette Sawyer pr	
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, March 5		
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tues.)	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool (also TuesFri.)	Day School Classrooms
4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
5:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tues.—Thurs.)	Fifth Floor, Gratz Center
6:00 p.m.	New Tutor Orientation	Borwell Dining Room
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Small Group	Manse
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Tuesday, March 6		
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	(see announcement)
7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (also Wed	.– <i>Thurs.</i>) Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Path of Discipleship	Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, March 7		
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
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Thursday, March 8		
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, March 9		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Tracy Watson	Buchanan Chapel
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Saturday, March 10	Man'a Dural-fact	David Harra Divis D
8:00 am.	Men's Breakfast	Parish House Dining Room

Worship on March 11 Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Judith L. Watt preaching | Communion

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Shannon J. Kershner preaching \mid Baptisms

4:00 p.m. Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching | Jazz Communion