## April 1-7, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

# **News and Opportunities**

## A Special Welcome to Visitors Worshiping with Us Today!

We are grateful you have joined us for this Easter celebration!
We invite you to return to worship with us again and also to explore the many opportunities for education, fellowship, volunteering, and outreach available at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

This "News and Opportunities" insert lists a variety of the programs and activities at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. More information about these programs can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

#### **Easter**

An Easter Brunch of ham, bacon, waffles, scrambled eggs, hash browns, fresh fruit, Danish, orange juice, and hot coffee and tea will be served today at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. A limited number of tickets may still be available at the door.

#### Worship

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

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. worship.

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

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.

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



## What are you missing ...

... if you don't have www.fourthchurch.org bookmarked or have yet to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch)? Photos of church life, including Palm Sunday, sermon excerpts from Easter, details about upcoming events such as tying blue bows, enjoying pancakes, donating bikes—and all the latest news from Fourth Church!

The next candlelit Taizé service—a contemplative time of meditative song, prayer, and silent reflection—will be held on Friday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel, as it is on the fourth Friday of each month.

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.

We are live streaming the 11:30 a.m. Easter service for those who are unable to be with us or who want to share it 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 ahead as well.

### Children, Youth, and Family

**Today expanded nursery care** for infants and toddlers is available from 7:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Nursery and Day School on the first floor of the Gratz Center.

An Easter program for children aged five through fifth grade is being held today at 9:30 a.m. in the Gratz Center, Floor 4.

Spring Family Camp will be held Friday, May 18–Sunday, May 20 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. For details, contact Briana at bbelding-peck@fourthchurch.org

Children will be joining us in worship at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. next Sunday, April 8. They will sit with their parents until just prior to the sermon, when they will leave with their teachers for Sunday School.

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 (312.640.2579; khager@fourthchurch.org).

Youth meet for fellowship next Sunday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. At 11:00 a.m. Junior Highs will meet in Room 4G; Confirmation in Room 5A; and Senior Highs in Bumpus.

#### Mission and Outreach

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).

"Analyzing and Understanding Systemic Racism" training will be offered May 24–26 here at the church. For details about the training or the Saturday, June 2 GospelRun to support anti-racism training, contact Vicky Curtiss (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

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.

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

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

#### **News and Resources**

The congregational pancake breakfast to raise funds for the youth's 2018 mission trips to Cuba, Detroit, and Missouri, as well as their Montreat Youth Conference, will be Sunday, April 15 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Tickets will be available at the door that day as well as in Coffee Hour next Sunday.

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

Inquirers' Class provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class—also a prerequisite for membership—will be offered next Sunday, April 8 at 9:00 a.m. Participants will also worship together at 11:00 a.m. that day.

## **Fellowship**

The Young Adults group (twenties and thirties) resumes their weekly Gathering time of discussion and fellowship next Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Cornerstones, a group for those fifty and over, will gather Friday evening, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for dinner and a program. Register (required) by Wednesday, April 4 online at www. bit.ly/cfpc0418 or contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org; 312.573.3369).

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

**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.

#### **Music and the Arts**

Those interested in singing with the Fourth Church Choral Society for their spring concert featuring Baroque music from the Bolivian rainforest are invited to Thursday evening rehearsals, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., beginning April 5.

This week's free Friday Noonday concert will be presented by violinist Sara Su Jones at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

#### **Enrichment**

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

Women at Fourth's Horizons Bible study meets Wednesday noon, April 11 in 5H.

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

"Church and Empire: New Testament Reponses to the Roman Empire," taught by Walter Hansen, begins next Sunday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

## **Volunteers/Donations Needed**

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

Individually packaged snack items (5,000 needed each month) for Meals Ministry guests; particularly needed are fruit snacks, including applesauce and fruit cups

For details about these and more volunteer opportunities, contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382; rcrouch@fourthchurch.org).

## Calendar for April 1-7, 2018

Sunday, April 1 6:30 a.m.	Sunrise Service	Abbi Heimach-Snipes	Oak Street Beach
7:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Time of Prayer with	n Deacons	Gratz Center, Floor 4 Stone Chapel
11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Easter Brunch Jazz at Four	Nanette Sawyer preach	Stone Chapel Borwell Dining Room
Monday, April 2 4:00 p.m.	Easter Monday: Cl Meals Ministry Mo		Catholic Charities
Tuesday, April 3 7:30 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Day School Prescho	g Lunches (also WedTh Thurs.)	(see announcement) Stone Chapel Day School Classrooms urs.) Anderson Hall Fifth Floor, Gratz Center Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, April 4 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer Benevolent Guild		Buchanan Chapel Room 5B
Thursday, April 5 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Blue Bows Prayer S Chancel Choir Reh Choral Society Reh	earsal	Sanctuary / Cloister Sanctuary Buchanan Chapel
Friday, April 6 12:10 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Cornerstones	Sara Su Jones, violin	Buchanan Chapel Borwell Dining Room
Saturday, April 7 7:30 p.m.	Fourth for Bridge		(see announcement)

## Worship on April 8 Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Rocky Supinger preaching

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

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