

January 14–20, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

Enrichment

As we honor Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy, the Fourth Church Racial Equity Council invites you to attend *Too Hot to Handel: The Jazz-Gospel Messiah* (this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at Auditorium Theatre; use code RECFPC for our group discount at www.bit.ly/2kfFyfA) and a "Faith in Action" assembly with the Community Renewal Society (Monday, January 15 at Old St. Patrick's Church; register at www.bit.ly/CRSMLK18).

The deadline for the Ghost Ranch spiritual pilgrimage (April 6–13) is this Monday, January 15. The application is online at www.bit.ly/ghostranch18

The "Path of Discipleship" Lenten series begins Tuesday, February 20. Details are available in the literature racks; registration, which is due by February 6, can be completed at www.bit.ly/fpcpod2018

Today two new classes begin: "Reading Paul with the Protestant Reformers" at 9:30 a.m. in 5D and a viewing of the film *An American Conscience: The Reinhold Niebuhr Story* at 11:00 a.m. in 5G followed by discussion led by Robin Lovin.

"Protestant and Roman Catholic Perspectives on Luther's *The Freedom of a Christian*" is a one-session adult education class offered next Sunday, January 21 at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and led by Robin Lovin and Susan Ross.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, January 16 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

"Women of God's Story" is the theme of this year's Women's Retreat on Saturday, January 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Fourth Church. For details, email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).



Tickets for the 2018 Gala of Hope Are Here!

Stop by Coffee Hour today to make your reservations for what promises to be another fun and festive Gala of Hope. This Friday, March 2 event—to be held at the Radisson Blu Aqua—will again support our outreach work through Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. For details or to order tickets online, visit www.bit.ly/gala-2018

“Fifteen Days of Free Liberal Arts Education” describes the January Series of one-hour lectures offered by Calvin College and shown via live video feed at Fourth Church continuing on weekdays January 16–23 at 11:30 a.m. in Page Smith: www.calvin.edu/january

Men’s Book Club will discuss *Life 3.0* by Max Tegmark on Monday, January 22 at 7:30 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

A meditation group hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

“How the Constant Use of Technology Is Changing Us” will be the topic of a one-day conference hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Saturday, February 24 at Fourth Church. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

Worship

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

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sundays.

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.

Sacred Pause meditation, a weekly time of silent reflection, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in booklets in the literature racks; and online at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), and fourthchurch.org

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

Our candlelit Taizé service, which is held on the fourth Friday of each month and includes time for song, prayer, and silent reflection, will next be held January 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Fellowship

Today’s Coffee Hour is sponsored by Robert Crouch in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of a loved one or in recognition of a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org; 312.573.3369).

The Young Adults group for those in their twenties and thirties has their weekly Sunday Gathering time of discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Women at Fourth will have their monthly time of fellowship followed by a program on Thursday, January 25 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. This month’s topic will be “Women and Friendship.”

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

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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Children, Youth, and Family

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

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.

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.

Registration for youth mission trips is due January 21: www.bit.ly/youthtrips2018

Our annual family ice skating outing will take place next Sunday, January 21 at 12:30 p.m. at the Maggie Daley Skating Ribbon (337 E. Randolph).

Music and the Arts

Violist David Pedraza will present this week's free Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

The Fourth Church Handbell Choir will present a concert on Friday, February 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

A new exhibition of art by members and friends of Fourth Church is on display in the Loggia Gallery.

News and Resources

This Friday, January 19 Stephen Minister applications are due for those interested in joining our next fifty-hour Stephen Minister training course. Details are online at www.bit.ly/2yOefl0

Inquirers' Class provides opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church.

This one-session class—which is also a prerequisite for membership—is offered this morning (and again on Sundays February 11 and March 11) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

A new Grief Group begins Monday, February 5. To sign up (*required*), call the Replogle Center at 312.787.8425.

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Leaders for 2018 youth mission trips; details and a sign-up form are online at www.bit.ly/youthtrips2018

Social Service Center volunteers; the next orientation will be Thursday at 3:00 p.m.

Individually packaged snack items for Meals Ministry 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).

Mission and Outreach

Fourth Church Prison Ministry is holding a one-session information time today at 12:20 p.m. in Room 4E.

The Interfaith Coalition Against Racism is offering "Confronting the Moral Crisis of Mass Incarceration" on Thursdays, January 25 to February 15 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Chrysostom's (1424 N. Dearborn). For details, visit saintc.org/justice

The 2018 Chicago Marathon team for Chicago Lights is recruiting runners. Slots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. To sign up, contact Lauren Suppes (312.981.3383; lsuppes@fourthchurch.org).

Calendar for January 14–20, 2018

Sunday, January 14			Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel Loft
9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m.	Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsals		Room 4F
9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Nursery / Day School
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.			Worship
			Judith L. Watt preaching
			Sanctuary
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
9:30 a.m.	"Paul and the Protestant Reformers"		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
11:00 a.m.	Reinhold Neibuhr Film		Room 5G
11:00 a.m.	Youth Groups		<i>(see announcement)</i>
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour		Sanctuary
12:20 p.m.	Prison Ministry		Room 4E
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults		Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four	Alex Wirth preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
Monday, January 15			Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper		<i>Catholic Charities</i>
Tuesday, January 16			
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study		<i>(see announcement)</i>
7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause		Stone Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool <i>(also Wed.–Fri.)</i>		Day School Classrooms
11:30 a.m.	January Series <i>(also Wed.–Fri.)</i>		Page Smith Room
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches <i>(also Wed.–Thurs.)</i>		Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Tutoring <i>(also Wed.–Thurs.)</i>		Fifth Floor, Gratz Center
7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center		Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, January 17			
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, January 18			
3:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Volunteer Orientation		Room 4E
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
Friday, January 19			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: David Pedraza, Viola		Buchanan Chapel
Saturday, January 20			
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel

Worship on January 21			Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Rocky Supinger preaching Communion		
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching New Members at 11:00		
4:00 p.m.	Alex Wirth preaching Jazz Communion		

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.