

April 29–May 5, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

News and Resources

Nanette Sawyer is being installed today as Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Small Group Ministry during the Jazz at Four 4:00 p.m. service. A special Coffee Hour is also being held in her honor this morning.

Joe Morrow will be joining our pastoral staff for a two-year appointment as Minister for Evangelism beginning this Tuesday, May 1.

World Labyrinth Day is Saturday, May 5, a day when people around the world walk labyrinths at 1:00 p.m. in their time zone. A hosted labyrinth walk will take place here in Buchanan Chapel on Saturday between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. for those familiar with and also those new to this prayer practice.

Next Sunday morning new officers will be ordained and installed during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

Inquirers' Class is a one-session class that provides an opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. A prerequisite for membership, it next meets on Sunday, May 13 at 9:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. Participants are encouraged to worship at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

Individuals experiencing life challenges can benefit from being paired with a Stephen Minister, a trained Fourth Church member who walks alongside them as a listening presence. Stop by Coffee Hour today to learn more.

Worship

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 and offers a time to join staff in praying for Fourth Church members and those in need.



Congregational Meeting: Next Sunday, May 6

All members are encouraged to attend the congregational meeting that has been called by Session for Sunday, May 6 at 12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting will be to vote on the recommendation that Fourth Church acquire a new manse for the use of our current and future senior pastors. For the letter mailed to members and the proposal synopsis, visit www.bit.ly/fpcmanse

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 11:00 a.m. worship.

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.

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Administrative volunteer for the Urban Farm to help two to three hours weekly

Coffee Hour Hospitality Team members to serve at Coffee Hour once a month

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

Ushers for the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services

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)

Children, Youth, and Family

A Family Communion Service will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. This annual service offers opportunity for families to learn about and participate in Communion together.

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.

This year's Family Camp will be held on Friday, May 18–Sunday, May 20 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Register online at www.bit.ly/fpcfamilycamp18

The Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its various 2018–19 early childhood programs as well as its June weeks. For details, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579; khager@fourthchurch.org).

Fellowship

The Young Adults group returns today from their retreat in Michigan. They will resume their weekly Gathering next Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

A new men's discussion group, "How to Hear God Speaking Personally through the Gospels," will meet for three months on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. beginning in May. Come learn more about this opportunity on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:00 p.m. or Sunday, May 6 at 10:30 a.m.

Fourth for Bridge meets this Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. For details, call Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

Men's Breakfast next meets Saturday, May 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Parish House Dining Room.

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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Cornerstones—a group for those fifty and older—will meet this Friday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for dinner and a program presented on “The Rise and Fall of Cabrini-Green.” Register (*required*) at www.bit.ly/cfpc0518 or with Anne Ellis (312.573.3369) by this Wednesday, May 2.

Mission and Outreach

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.*)

A Community Farm Day will be held at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) on Saturday, May 5 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. An orientation (*required for first-time volunteers*) will be held at 12:00 p.m. Sign up at www.chicagolights.org

World Fair Trade Day will be celebrated at Fourth Church on Friday, May 11 with a fair trade sale in Anderson Hall between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and panel discussions at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

10,000 snack items by Mother’s Day!
Help us in collecting 10,000 snack items that Fourth Church Meals Ministry will pack in the sack lunches that are distributed, as part of the Bag Lunch program in Anderson Hall, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays to our neighbors in need.

“Analyzing and Understanding Systemic Racism” training will be offered May 24–26 here at the church. Contact Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598 ; vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org) to register.

Join the Gospel Run 5K/10K (and a half-mile walk for children) on Saturday, June 2 to walk, run, or pledge to raise funds in support of anti-racism training programs at Fourth Church through the Interfaith Council Against Racism. Register or pledge online by May 15 at www.raceroster.com/16612

Enrichment

The final sessions of two adult education classes meet today in Room 5D: “Religion within the Bounds of Mere Reason” at 9:30 a.m. and “Church and Empire” at 11:00 a.m.

Men’s Bible Study meets this Tuesday, May 1 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 *The South Side: A Portrait of Chicago and American Segregation* by Natalie Y. Moore on Tuesday, May 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Horizons Women’s Bible Study meets next Wednesday, May 9 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 4J.

Two new adult education classes begin next week in Room 5D. “The Confession of 1967” at 9:30 a.m. and “Race: The Power of an Illusion” at 11:00 a.m.

Music and the Arts

The Fourth Church Choral Society will present their spring concert featuring Baroque music from the Bolivian rainforest on Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Calendar for April 29–May 5, 2018

Sunday, April 29 Fifth Sunday of Easter		
8:00 a.m.	Worship	Matt Helms preaching Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Choir 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 Rehearsals	Room 4F
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 Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary		
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
9:30 a.m.	“Religion and Mere Reason”	Room 5D
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Youth Groups	(See announcement)
11:00 a.m.	“Church and Empire”	Room 5D
12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four Installation of Nanette Sawyer Sanctuary		
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, April 30		
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
Tuesday, May 1		
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 (<i>also Wed.–Thurs.</i>)	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	“How to Hear God Speaking” Info Session	Randolph Room
7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, May 2		
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
Thursday, May 3		
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
Friday, May 4		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Joanna Turska, flute	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Borwell Dining Room
Saturday, May 5		
12:00 p.m.	Urban Farm Volunteer Orientation	444 W. Chicago
1:00 to 2:00 p.m.	World Labyrinth Day Walk	Buchanan Chapel
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.	Community Farm Day	444 W. Chicago
7:30 p.m.	Fourth for Bridge	(See announcement)

Worship on May 6 Sixth Sunday of Easter		
8:00 a.m.	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching Communion	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	
4:00 p.m.	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching Jazz Communion	
