

February 11–17, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## Lent

**Ash Wednesday services** with Communion and imposition of ashes will be held this Wednesday, February 14 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**The imposition of ashes**, which will take place during the two Ash Wednesday services, will also be available throughout the day on Ash Wednesday, February 14 for those unable to attend worship.

**Lenten devotions will be available daily** beginning Ash Wednesday via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and [fourthchurch.org](http://fourthchurch.org); and in booklets in the literature racks.

**A Lenten Taizé service** will be held on Friday evening, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. This service of prayer, meditative song, and silent reflection will be preceded by a labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:15 p.m.

**An Ash Wednesday labyrinth walk** will be hosted in Buchanan Chapel between 6:00 and 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14.

**The “Path of Discipleship” Lenten series** hosted by the Spiritual Formation Council will meet Tuesday evenings, beginning February 20, and includes a shared meal, presentations by the pastors on spiritual practices, small-group discussion, and worship. Registration is required and due today, February 11: [www.bit.ly/fpcpod2018](http://www.bit.ly/fpcpod2018)

## News and Resources

**Today’s 148th Annual Meeting** of the Congregation of Fourth Presbyterian Church will be held at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary and will include the election of new officers. All members are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided.

**A congregational luncheon** in Borwell Dining Room will follow today’s Annual Meeting. A limited number of luncheon tickets may still be available at the door.



## The Gala of Hope is less than three weeks away!

All proceeds from the Friday, March 2 Gala of Hope at the Radisson Blu Aqua will support our life-changing outreach work in the city through Chicago Lights and its programs and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Get your tickets for the event and the drawing (*winner need not be present at the Gala*) in Coffee Hour or online at [www.bit.ly/gala-2018](http://www.bit.ly/gala-2018)

**Today's Inquirers' Class** provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class—which will also be offered on March 11 and is a prerequisite for membership—meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Training for new Stephen Ministers** began this past week. Please keep the training participants, current Stephen Ministers, and care receivers in your prayers. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, stop by Coffee Hour today.

## 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 11:00 a.m. worship on Sundays.

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

**Sacred Pause** meditation, a weekly time of silent reflection, is offered on 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.

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

## Enrichment

**"Conversations on Ministry,"** a time for informal dialogue with Fourth Church ministers to explore the topic of God's call to ministry and discipleship, continues today at 11:00 a.m. in 5G with Vicky Curtiss and Lucy Forster-Smith. Next Sunday, the conversation will take place at 12:10 p.m. with John Sherer and Shannon Kershner.

**"Christian Spirituality: What It Is and Why It Matters,"** an adult education class taught by Carol Allen, former Associate Pastor for Congregational Care at Fourth Church, begins today at 9:30 a.m. in 5D.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Girl in Disguise* by Greer Macallister on Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Bumpus.

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

**Men's Bible Study** next meets Tuesday, February 20 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**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. A time of discussion follows for those interested.

**"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.

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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## Fellowship

The Young Adults group will attend today's Annual Meeting and congregational lunch together. They will resume their weekly Sunday Gathering time of fellowship and discussion next Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Their small group meets Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

Women at Fourth's monthly gathering will be on Thursday evening, February 22 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room

To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of a loved one or in recognition of 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.

## 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.

Family Night Olympics takes place this Friday, February 16 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room with time for a meal and Olympic-themed crafts and games.

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.

## Music and the Arts

An exhibition of art by members and friends is on display in the Loggia through February 27. There be opportunity to meet the artists after 11:00 worship next Sunday, February 18.

Silver-Rose Flute and Guitar Duo will present this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

## Mission and Outreach

The Benevolent Guild meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in 5B to create taggies and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

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; lsupes@fourthchurch.org).

## Volunteers/Donations Needed

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

Greeters for Jazz at Four worship services

Elam Davies Social Service Center volunteers (*orientation this Thursday, February 15 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 4E*)

Tutors to work with Chicago Lights Tutoring one evening a week at the church

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

Individually packaged snack items for Meals Ministry guests

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

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

## Calendar for February 11–17, 2018

<b>Sunday, February 11</b>			
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Victoria G. Curtiss preaching</b>
			<b>Sanctuary</b>
	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.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
	9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.		Nursery	Nursery / Day School
<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship</b>			
		<b>Fourth Church Youth leading</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
	9:30 a.m.	"Christian Spirituality"	Room 5D
	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	"Conversations on Ministry"	Room 5G
<b>12:00 p.m. Annual Meeting of the Congregation</b>			
			<b>Sanctuary</b>
	12:45 p.m.	Congregational Lunch	Borwell Dining Room
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz at Four</b>	<b>Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching</b>
			<b>Sanctuary</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, February 12</b>			
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk ( <i>also Tues.</i> )	Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool ( <i>also Tues.–Fri.</i> )	Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	<i>Catholic Charities</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring ( <i>also Tues.–Thurs.</i> )	Fifth Floor, Gratz Center
	6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Small Group	Manse
<b>Tuesday, February 13</b>			
	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
	3:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Volunteer Orientation	Room 4E
	6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room
<b>Wednesday, February 14</b>			
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>			
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Horizons Women's Bible Study	Room 5H
	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	6:00 to 7:15 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
<b>Thursday, February 15</b>			
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Friday, February 16</b>			
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Flute-and-Guitar Duo	Buchanan Chapel
	5:30 p.m.	Family Night Olympics	Borwell Dining Room
<b>Saturday, February 17</b>			
	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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<b>Worship on February 18</b>			
<b>First Sunday in Lent</b>			
	8:00 a.m.	Lucy Forster-Smith preaching   Communion	
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching   New Members at 11:00	
	4:00 p.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching   Jazz Communion	