

February 10–16, 2019

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

News and Opportunities



Worship and Prayer

Jazz at Four, a worship service with Communion, is held Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. That service's sermon series "Who Is Jesus?" continues today with "Jesus the Preacher."

Is there a topic or biblical story you've hoped would be addressed in a sermon? If so, please share that with us by email (sermons@fourthchurch.org) or by writing it on a slip of paper and putting it in the "Big Questions" box during Coffee Hour. The pastors will then use these suggestions to shape their "Big Questions" sermon series in May and June.

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel (*through the door to the right of the pulpit*) following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship today.

A candlelit Taizé service—a time of prayer, meditative song, and silent reflection—will be held next Friday, February 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel, as it is on the fourth Friday of each month.

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

News and Resources

Today's 149th 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.

If you have not done so already, please take a moment this week to complete a survey from our Resource Development Committee about your thoughts on pledging and giving to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. The survey can be completed online at www.tinyurl.com/fourth2019

A new book of prayers by John Boyle, founder of the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and member of the Fourth Church pastoral staff until his death in 2013, is available at the Book Nook during Coffee Hour. All proceeds benefit the Replogle Center.

The Stephen Minister application deadline is next Friday, February 22. To learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister—providing a listening presence to someone experiencing challenging times—or to apply for the fifty-hour training, visit www.bit.ly/fpcstephen

Today's Inquirers' Class provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class—which will also be offered on March 10 and is a prerequisite for membership—meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Register at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers

Mission

The Gala of Hope is less than three weeks away! All proceeds from the Friday, March 2 Gala of Hope support our life-changing outreach work in the city through Chicago Lights programs and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Tickets for the event and the Peloton drawing (*winner need not be present at the Gala*) are available in Coffee Hour and at bidpal.net/clgala2019

Donations of individually packaged snacks, especially chips and fruit cups, are needed for our weekday Bag Lunch program. Donations can be dropped off at the reception desk—or shipped to the church—to the attention of Fourth Church Meals Ministry.

Knitting and Crocheting meets on Tuesday, February 26 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for a time of fellowship, to drop off items made for those in need, and to pick up materials.

To run with the Chicago Lights Marathon Team, email Lauren Suppes (lsuppes@chicagolights.org).

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School children join us in worship today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m., sitting with their parents until just prior to the sermon, when children leave with their teachers for their Gratz 4 classrooms.

Youth meet this morning, with Junior High (grades 6–8) at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D; a time of fellowship for all youth at 10:30 a.m. in the fifth-floor lounge; and Confirmation (Room 4G) and Senior High (Room 5D) at 11:00 a.m.

Our Winter Carnival Family Night will take place this Friday, February 15 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. The evening will include dinner, a bounce house, and carnival games.

Volunteers Needed

Fifty tutors to pair with Chicago Lights Tutoring students who do not have a tutor; one evening a week at the church; sign up for a volunteer orientation at www.bit.ly/2Gdt30D (*the next orientation will be this Wednesday, February 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room*)

Hospitality hosts (*two-hour shifts*) for the Presbytery of Chicago meeting that will be held at Fourth Church this Saturday, February 16

Administrative volunteer to perform various office tasks such as filing, data entry, and organizing department information (*four to eight hours a week*)

For 8:00 a.m. worship, ushers to serve Communion and greet; lay liturgists to read scripture

Individuals needed to clean, fold, and prepare liturgical linens and garments that support weekly Communion services and morning worship (*once a month*)

Individuals to read occasionally to an elderly member who is blind

To sign up or to learn about other volunteer opportunities or donation needs, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382).

Fellowship

Books by Women will discuss *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate this Tuesday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

LGBTQIA Brunch will be held on Sunday, February 24 at 12:15 p.m. Meet near the reception desk to walk to a neighboring restaurant. Those attending are encouraged to invite friends as well.

TwentiesThirties Brunch will be held on Sunday, February 24 at 12:10 p.m., with young adults meeting in Coffee Hour to walk to a nearby restaurant for a time of fellowship.

Women at Fourth will meet on Thursday, February 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room for a program on “Optimal Aging: Eat Well, Move Well, Be Well.”

To sponsor Coffee Hour in honor or memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Enrichment

A Reformation trip to Prague, Luther sites in Germany, and Geneva will be led by Judith Watt and Lucy Forster-Smith in October. For details, see www.bit.ly/reformationtrip2019; to sign up for the March 14 information meeting, contact Allison Santos (asantos@fourthchurch.org).

A trip to Alabama and Mississippi that focuses on the civil rights movement is being planned by the Racial Equity Council for October 26–November 2. See www.bit.ly/crtrip2019 for details.

“Conversations with Pastors on the Intersection of Faith and Life” continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room with Judy Watt and Rocky Supinger. Next Sunday, Matt Helms, Vicky Curtiss, and Lucy Forster-Smith will lead the conversation.

The class “Water: Use, Abuse, and Stewardship” begins today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5E.

Women at Fourth’s Horizons Bible study meets this Wednesday, February 13 at 12:00 p.m. in 5H.

A new Men’s Faith Discussion Group will meet on Friday mornings beginning this Friday, February 15 at 7:00 a.m. Registration (*contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org*) is required.

The Racial Equity Council invites you to view and discuss *The Long Shadow*, a film about the origins and legacy of slavery, on Sunday, February 17 at 2:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Men’s Bible Study meets Tuesday, February 19 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

An Enneagram workshop will be offered by the Replogle Center on Saturday, February 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Learn more about this opportunity to better understand personality and realize potential through that awareness at www.bit.ly/2S18OWh, where you can also register.

“Path of Discipleship,” a six-week Lenten series hosted by the Spiritual Formation Council and including presentations by the pastors on spiritual practices, will meet on Tuesday evenings beginning Tuesday, March 12. Space is limited, so register soon at www.bit.ly/fpcpod2019

Calendar for February 10–16, 2019

Sunday, February 10	8:00 a.m. Worship Communion • Victoria G. Curtiss preaching . . . Sanctuary
	8:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal Buchanan Choir Loft
	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 12:00 p.m. Inquirers’ Class Page Smith Room
	9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Nursery Nursery/Day School
	9:30 a.m. “Water: Use, Abuse, and Stewardship” Room 5E
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Children in Worship Sunday School (see announcement)
	9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Youth Groups (see announcement)
	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m. “The Intersection of Faith and Life” Borwell Dining Room
	12:00 p.m. 149th Annual Meeting of the Congregation Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Shawn M. Fiedler preaching Buchanan Chapel
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper Anderson Hall
Monday, February 11	9:00 a.m. Day School (<i>also Tues.–Fri.</i>) Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper Catholic Charities
	5:00 p.m. Chicago Lights Tutoring (<i>also Tues.–Thurs.</i>) Gratz Fifth Floor
Tuesday, February 12	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause Buchanan Chapel
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (<i>also Wed.–Thurs.</i>) Borwell Dining Room
	6:00 p.m. Books by Women Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m. Meditation with the Replodge Center Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, February 13	9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild Room 5B
	12:00 p.m. Women at Fourth’s <i>Horizons</i> Bible Study Room 5H
	6:00 p.m. Tutoring Orientation Gratz Fourth Floor
Thursday, February 14	7:00 a.m. Men’s Faith Discussion Group (<i>also Fri.</i>) Randolph Room
Friday, February 15	12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Thomas Gouwens, Organ Sanctuary
	5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Winter Carnival Family Night Borwell Dining Room
Saturday, February 16	9:00 a.m. Presbytery of Chicago Assembly Sanctuary
Sunday, February 10	8:00 a.m. Worship • Judith L. Watt preaching Sanctuary

For a complete Fourth Church calendar that includes links to register for programs and to add events to your own electronic calendar, see www.fourthchurch.org/calendar

www.fourthchurch.org • www.facebook.com/fourthchurch

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org. The reception desk of Fourth Presbyterian Church is at 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014. Phone: 312.787.4570 | www.fourthchurch.org | www.facebook.com/fourthchurch