

**April 7–13, 2019**

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

# News and Opportunities



## Lent

**Daily Lenten devotions** are available at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and [fourthchurch.org](https://fourthchurch.org); via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](https://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); and in the literature racks.

## Holy Week and Easter

**Today is the last day to make Easter flower gifts** in remembrance or honor of loved ones.

Contributions can be made online at [www.bit.ly/FPCgifts](https://www.bit.ly/FPCgifts), by using the cards available in the literature racks, or by stopping by the Easter Flowers table during Coffee Hour today.

**Palm/Passion Sunday's worship schedule** for next Sunday, April 14 will be the same as it is on a typical Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The children's palm procession will take place at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. As part of the procession, children will be bringing forward their Lenten Fish Banks as their contribution to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

**Maundy Thursday Communion services** on April 18 will be held at 12:10 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Tenebrae) in the Sanctuary. There will be opportunity for hand or foot washing at the 12:10 p.m. service.

**Good Friday services** on April 19 will be held at 12:10 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The latter is a choral service featuring Bob Chilcott's *St. John's Passion*. A Good Friday program for children will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**A Saturday Easter Vigil** will be held on April 20 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Easter Sunday services** on April 21 will include a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. at Oak Street Beach; 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. worship; and a 4:00 p.m. jazz service. An Easter program for children will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Gratz Floor 4.

**Easter Sunday Brunch** for families and individuals of all ages will be served at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room on April 21. Tickets are available online at [www.bit.ly/fpcbrunch19](https://www.bit.ly/fpcbrunch19) through April 17.

## Worship and Prayer

**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.

**Morning Prayer** is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**Sacred Pause meditation**, a weekly time of silent reflection hosted by the Replogle Center and the Spiritual Formation Council, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

## News and Resources

**Inquirers' Class** provides opportunity to learn about Fourth Church. This one-session class—which will be offered next Sunday, April 14 and is a prerequisite for membership—meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Those interested in attending this or a future session may register at [www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers](http://www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers) and are invited to worship at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

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## Enrichment

**“Bearing Witness: The Trauma of Sexual Violence and Caring for Survivors,”** a course led by Elizabeth Pierre, continues today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5E.

**“Practicing the Presence of God,”** a class that is focused on how to be attentive to the presence of God and is led by Vicky Curtiss, concludes today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5E.

**“A Time I Changed My Mind”** will be the topic of today’s “Conversations with Clergy,” which will be led by Joe Morrow at 5:00 p.m. following Jazz at Four worship.

**“How to Hear God Speaking Personally through the Gospels,”** a men’s discussion group, will meet on Friday mornings, May–July. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**Books by Women** will discuss Tara Westover’s *Educated: A Memoir* this Tuesday evening, April 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Women at Fourth’s Horizons Bible study** will meet this Wednesday, April 10 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 5H.

**To sign up for or to receive more information about the October Reformation trip to Europe,** contact Allison Santos ([asantos@fourthchurch.org](mailto: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](http://www.bit.ly/crtrip2019) for details.

## Mission

**“Crisis in Guatemala”** an eyewitness account from the Chicago Religious Leadership Network, will be shared this Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4F in a presentation sponsored by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee.

**The Care of Creation Committee** invites all who are interested to join them today at 12:30 p.m. in 4E.

**The film *Climate Refugees*** will be shown by the Care of Creation Committee on Sunday, April 28 at 12:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**A bike drive to collect used bicycles and parts**—which will be used in repairing bikes to send to Africa and Latin America as well as to neighborhoods of Chicago—will be sponsored by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee and Working Bikes on Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

## Fellowship

**Today is the last day to register for the TwentiesThirties' spring retreat** that will take place the weekend of May 3–5; register at [www.bit.ly/2030may19](http://www.bit.ly/2030may19)

**The Men's Breakfast** invites all to join them this Saturday, April 13 at 8:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room for breakfast and a presentation by Kathye Boyle, editor of *Talking to God: Prayers of John H. Boyle*. RSVP to Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**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](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Sunday School** meets at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

**Youth are worshipping together** in the Sanctuary at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. today as they do on the first Sunday of each month. Confirmation youth and parents meet at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G

**TED Talks for Parents** meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft to watch and discuss Thomas Curran's "Our Dangerous Obsession with Perfectionism Is Getting Worse."

**Family Camp** will take place the weekend of May 17–19 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Register online at [www.bit.ly/fpcfamilycamp19](http://www.bit.ly/fpcfamilycamp19)

## Volunteers Needed

**Greeters** to serve during the 4:00 p.m. worship service

**One hundred ushers** for Holy Week and Easter; to learn more about this opportunity to welcome and assist worshipers, visit the Ushers table at Coffee Hour

**Volunteers to pass out cider** on Easter Sunday for one of two shifts, either from 8:00 to 9:10 a.m. prior to the 9:30 a.m. service or from 10:00 to 11:10 a.m. prior to the 11:30 a.m. service

**Chicago Lights Urban Farm volunteers**, beginning this Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the Farm (444 W. Chicago Ave.); details as well as registration for the 12:00 p.m. orientation for first-time Farm volunteers is online at [www.bit.ly/urbanfarmvolunteers](http://www.bit.ly/urbanfarmvolunteers)

*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).*

## Music and the Arts

**This Friday's free Noonday Concert** will be presented by Bloomington High School South.

**All interested singers are invited** to join the Fourth Church Choral Society, which will perform John Rutter's *Gloria* on May 17. Rehearsals begin Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For more information, contact John Sherer ([jsherer@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jsherer@fourthchurch.org)).

## Calendar for April 7–13, 2019

<b>Sunday, April 7</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. Worship • Victoria G. Curtiss preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	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
	<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School	Gratz Fourth Floor
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Youth in Worship	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m. “Bearing Witness”	Room 5E
	9:30 a.m. TED Talks for Parents	The Loft
	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m. Confirmation Youth and Parents	Room 5G
	11:00 a.m. “Presence of God”	Room 5E
	12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m. Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m. Care of Creation	Room 4E
	2:30 p.m. Meals Ministry Health Fair	Page Smith Room
	<b>4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	5:00 p.m. “Conversations with Clergy”	Allison Library
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, April 8</b>	9:00 a.m. Day School ( <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. Chicago Lights Tutoring ( <i>also Tues.–Thurs.</i> )	Gratz Fifth Floor
<b>Tuesday, April 9</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
	6:00 p.m. New Tutor Orientation	Borwell Dining Room
	6:00 p.m. “Path of Discipleship”	Anderson Hall
	6:00 p.m. Books by Women	Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m. Replogle Meditation	Boyle Conference Room
<b>Wednesday, April 10</b>	<b>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	12:00 p.m. <i>Horizons</i> Bible Study	Room 5H
	6:30 p.m. “Crisis in Guatemala”	Room 4F
<b>Thursday, April 11</b>	6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Friday, April 12</b>	12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Bloomington High School South choir	Sanctuary
<b>Saturday, April 13</b>	8:00 a.m. Men’s Breakfast	( <i>see announcement</i> )

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](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calendar)

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