

May 26–June 1, 2019

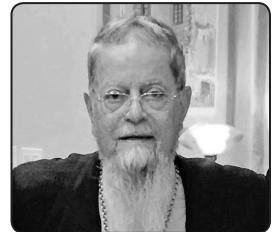
The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

News and Opportunities



We are glad to have you with us today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church! * **Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ**, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. * **We invite you to join us** at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.

Please join us in welcoming to Fourth Church today's 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. guest preacher **Archbishop Elias Chacour**. Author of the best-selling *Blood Brothers* and *We Belong to the Land*, Archbishop Chacour is founder of Mars Elias University in the village of Ibillin in northern Israel. Internationally known for his work fostering peace and justice in Israel and Palestine through education, he also served as the Archbishop of the Melkite Catholic Church for Akko, Haifa, Nazareth, and all Galilee from 2006 to 2014.



Next Sunday will be the last Sunday **Abbi Heimach-Snipes** and **Shawn Fiedler** will be with us. Abbi, after three years with us as a pastoral resident, has accepted a call to serve as associate rector at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Oak Park. We will celebrate her at the June 2 fellowship gathering that follows Jazz at Four. ◀ Shawn Fiedler, who has been with us as Ministerial Associate for Worship, will be moving to Boston for his partner's new job. We will have time to express our gratitude to Shawn during Coffee Hour on June 2.

In addition to our Sunday morning services, we come together as a **worshipping community** on Sunday afternoons for a 4:00 p.m. jazz Communion service in Buchanan Chapel. * If you are interested in **servicing as a greeter or usher** to welcome Jazz at Four or 11:00 a.m. worshippers, please let us know! * On Wednesdays we gather for **Morning Prayer** to pray for members and those in need.

This "News and Opportunities" insert is our invitation to you to join us in taking part in the programs and resources available to you here at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. On our website you will find even more opportunities, as well as the page www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up with details about signing up for the programs listed here.

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If you are away over the summer, it is easy to make **pledge gifts online** at www.fourthchurch.org/give-online (or by clicking on the “To Make a Gift” button on the Fourth Church website). * We also encourage you to bookmark the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org) and follow us on Facebook and ◀ Instagram (@FourthChurch) to **stay in touch** with us and keep up to date on news, photos of church life, favorite quotes from sermons, information about upcoming events, and much more!

Summer Sunday School begins next Sunday, June 2 (continuing through July 28) at 9:30 a.m. only. * Children are also always **welcome to worship** with their parents; be sure to ask an usher for a children’s bulletin! * On our calendar of summer children’s activities is our **Family Night Drive-In Movie** at the church on Friday, June 14 at 5:30 p.m. ▶ Registration is also open for **Vacation Bible School**, which this summer takes us to ancient Greece with the Apostle Paul, on the mornings of August 5–9.



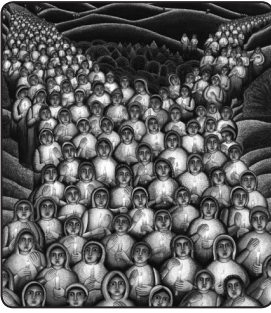
Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2019 are asked to send their names to Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, June 10 to be included in the bulletin on Sunday, June 16, which is **Baccalaureate Sunday**. * While Sunday youth groups are taking a break until September, we are actively recruiting **adult volunteers** to help with various youth leadership roles in the coming school year, from Sunday youth group and Confirmation Circle leaders to retreat and lock-in chaperones. The deadline to sign up is this Friday, May 31.



A Fourth Church contingent will express our support of the LGBTQIA community by walking with the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches —of which Fourth Church is a partner—in the **Chicago Pride Parade** on Sunday, June 30. * Our monthly **LGBTQIA brunch** is today at 12:15 p.m. Meet at Reception to walk to a nearby restaurant. * Next Sunday, June 2 a ◀ **Stonewall celebration** will be held at 12:15 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

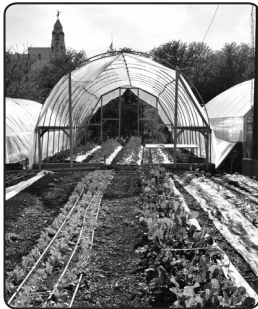
Two options for those who would like to enrich their faith include **Men’s Bible study** on Tuesday, June 4 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop and the **Horizons Bible study** for women on Wednesday, June 12 at 12:00 p.m. (*See the sign-up page to RSVP for either of these Bible studies.*)

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



If you are looking for ways to connect with others here at Fourth Church or in the community, we invite you to find a program or event that matches your interests or has you curious. ◀ Rob Koon will talk about **“Art in the Life of Fourth Church”** at the June 7 dinner program of **Cornerstones** (*registration required by June 5*). * Robert Jordan, former news anchor and reporter for WGN and author of the new book *Murder in the News*, will present the program at **Men’s Breakfast** on Saturday, June 8 at 8 a.m. (*see the sign-up page to RSVP*). * **Books by Women** will meet on Tuesday, June 11 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan.

Are you looking for ways to become involved in addressing important issues? There are a variety of opportunities to do so! You can walk, run, or support the GospelRun this Saturday, June 1, through which the **Racial Equity Council** will be raising funds for **antiracism work**. * If you are planning to run the Chicago Marathon this year, the **Chicago Lights Marathon Team** invites you to join them in supporting our nonprofit community outreach arm, Chicago Lights. We are in need of individuals to wrap silverware, help cook, or serve food for our ▶ **Meals Ministry Sunday Night Suppers**. * A spring **snack drive** is underway as well. Individually packaged snacks and fruit cups can be dropped off at Coffee Hour or delivered to the attention of Fourth Church Meals Ministry.



You can also support the work of **Chicago Lights** in a variety of ways, including by purchasing produce through ◀ the Urban Farm’s **Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA) subscription service**, which begins June 7. * The six-week **Summer Day** program needs volunteers to work with students at the church; one-session orientations will be held Thursdays, June 12 at 3:00 p.m. and June 20 at 6:00 p.m. * Individuals are also needed to serve on the **Gala of Hope Committee**, to share talents and connections in support this Chicago Lights and Replogle Center fundraising benefit. (*See the sign-up page for details about these opportunities!*)

Do you like to knit or crochet? **Knitting and Crocheting** will meet this Tuesday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 4F for fellowship and to drop off completed items and to pick up yarn and material for new projects. * No sewing experience is needed for those who want to join **Benevolent Guild**, which will meet on Wednesday, May 29, to create handmade stuffed animals for children in hospitals and shelters and taggies for infants in the NICU at Lurie Children’s Hospital.

For details, go to www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up

Calendar for May 26–June 1, 2019

- Sunday, May 26** **8:00 a.m. Worship • Lucy Forster-Smith preaching** Sanctuary
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 • Archbishop Elias Chacour preaching.Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Organ Tour Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. LGBTQIA Brunch Room 5A
4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching. . . Buchanan Chapel
5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper Anderson Hall
- Monday, May 27** *Church Office Closed for Memorial Day*
4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper *Catholic Charities*
- Tuesday, May 28.** 7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause Meditation Stone Chapel
12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches. Anderson Hall
4:00 p.m. Knitting and Crocheting Room 4F
7:00 p.m. Meditation. Boyle Conference Room
- Wednesday, May 29.** **9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer** **Buchanan Chapel**
9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild Room 5B
12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches. Anderson Hall
- Thursday, May 30** 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches. Anderson Hall
Ascension of the Lord
- Friday, May 31** 12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Mary Pan, organ Sanctuary

See www.fourthchurch.org/calendar
for a complete events calendar, including online registration links.

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