

May 13–19, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

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This morning we welcome Joe Morrow to Fourth Church. For the next two years Joe will serve as Minister for Evangelism as well as the primary pastoral presence at the weekly Jazz at Four service. As you see Joe in the weeks ahead, please take a moment to greet him and welcome him to the Fourth Church community.

Today we commission new Stephen Ministers at the 11:00 a.m. service: Rebecca Binks, Connie Chang, Cary Donham, Dawn Kulich, and Colleen Mraz. Through one-to-one relationships that are confidential, Stephen Ministers—who first complete fifty hours of training—extend the pastoral care of Fourth Church clergy staff by providing regular spiritual support for those who are facing one or more of life's many challenges or transitions. We are grateful to the Stephen Ministers for the ongoing pastoral care they provide! Learn more at www.fourthchurch.org/caring

Inquirers' Class—a one-session class that provides an opportunity to learn about Fourth Church and Presbyterian history and beliefs—meets today at 9:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. A prerequisite for membership, the class will be offered again on Sunday, June 10.

Encore, a benefit for our Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Saturday, June 1 at 5:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. CSO concertmaster Robert Chen, his family, clarinetist Steve Williamson, and pianist Kuanghao Huang will perform. For further details and tickets visit www.fourthchurch.org/cll

Music and the Arts

This Friday the Fourth Church Choral Society will present their spring concert featuring Baroque music from the Bolivian rainforest at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A freewill donation will be received at the door.



Today is the only day to become a shareholder in the Fourth Church Youth mission trips to Cuba, Montreat, and Detroit—and receive a special stock certificate for doing so! Stock supports the youth's summer 2018 mission work, and all shareholders will also be invited to the Sunday, August 26 shareholders meeting. Be sure to stop by Coffee Hour to get your 2018 stock certificate while they're still available!

A new art exhibit by Gerald Griffin is on display in the Loggia through Labor Day.

Worship

Family worship bulletins are available from the ushers.

Sacred Pause meditation 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.

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sundays.

Our candlelit Taizé service, which is held on the fourth Friday of each month and includes time for song, prayer, and silent reflection, will next be held May 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

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.

Enrichment

“The Confession of 1967,” an adult education class with Jeff Doane, meets today in Room 9E at 9:30 a.m.

“Race: The Power of an Illusion” with Vicky Curtiss and Robert Crouch continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

Men’s Bible Study meets this Tuesday, May 15 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Fellowship

Young Adults, a group for those in their twenties and thirties, meets today for their weekly Sunday Gathering at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Women at Fourth will gather for a book swap and ice cream social on Thursday, May 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A new men’s discussion group, “How to Hear God Speaking Personally through the Gospels,” will meet for three months on Fridays from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. in the Randolph Room beginning June 1. To register (*required*), email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Mission and Outreach

Today is the final day of the 10,000 items snack drive for the Meals Ministry Bag Lunch program. Individually packaged snack items can be dropped off at Coffee Hour or (labeled “Meals Ministry”) at the church reception desk. Thank you to all who continue to help us meet this ongoing need for 5,000 snack items each month to include in our sack lunches as we keep serving those in need in our community!

Fresh plant starts will be available at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm Plant Sale on Saturday, May 19 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (444 W. Chicago Ave.).

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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Knitting and Crocheting meets next Tuesday, May 22 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F.

“**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) for more information and to register.

Sign up by this Tuesday, May 15 for 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 at www.raceroster.com/16612

A free screening of *Milwaukee 53206: The Epidemic of Vanishing Black Men* will be hosted by the Interfaith Coalition Against Racism, of which Fourth Church is a member, on Saturday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. at University Church (57th Street and University Avenue).

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Chicago Lights Summer Day volunteers to help with this six-week program for students; learn more at new volunteer orientation on Thursday, June 14 at 3:00 p.m. or Thursday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m. Register online: www.bit.ly/2w9B96e

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

Chicago Lights Urban Farm volunteers; all volunteers must preregister, and new volunteers must attend an orientation. To sign up or for more details, please visit www.bit.ly/1aNY3AQ/

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

Travel-size toiletries for guests of the Social Service Center

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

Clothes donations, particularly men’s, for guests of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

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

Children are worshiping with their parents today during the first part of the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. They will come to the Sanctuary with their parents and then go to their Sunday School classrooms prior to the sermon.

Today is the last day for regular Sunday School, Tunes for Tots, and youth programming for this school year. Sunday School will then be on break until Sunday, June 3 when Summer Sunday School will begin, with classes at 9:30 a.m. only.

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.

Next Sunday is Confirmation Sunday, a day when eighth graders will profess their faith during the 11:00 a.m. service.

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).

Calendar for May 13–19, 2018

Sunday, May 13		Seventh Sunday of Easter	
8:00 a.m.	Worship	Lucy Forster-Smith 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	
9:00 a.m.	Inquirer's Class	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center	
9:30 a.m.	"The Confession of 1967"		Room 5E
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.	"Race: The Power of An Illusion"		Room 5D
12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adult Gathering		Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four	Nanette Sawyer preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
Monday, May 14			
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 15			
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	
7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room	
Wednesday, May 16			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel	
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Room 5B
Thursday, May 17			
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel	
Friday, May 18			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Piano, Violin, Cello	Buchanan Chapel	
7:30 p.m.	Fourth Church Choral Society Concert		Sanctuary
Saturday, May 19			
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Urban Farm Plant Sale	(444 W. Chicago Ave.)	

Worship on May 13 Pentecost

8:00 a.m.	Judy Watt preaching Communion
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Rocky Supinger preaching
4:00 p.m.	Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching Jazz Communion
