

Advent at Fourth

2014

ADVENT EVENING SERVICES:

Advent by Candlelight

Sunday, November 30, 6pm in the Sanctuary

A program of instrumental music and Christmas carols, led by Rev. Ron Meyer

Children's Christmas Celebration

Saturday, December 6, 2pm in the Upper Room

(open dress rehearsal)

Sunday, December 7, 6pm in the Upper Room

The Christmas story is dramatized with music and movement, performed by children, for children of all ages.

Lessons and Carols

Friday, December 12, 8pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday, December 14, 6pm in the Sanctuary

With choirs and full orchestra, Scripture readings and Christmas carols

Christmas Communion Service

Sunday December 21, 6pm in the Sanctuary

Led by Dr. Todd Smedley

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

Family Service

December 24, 5pm in the Upper Room

Communion Service

December 24, 8pm in the Sanctuary

Candlelight Service

December 24, 11pm in the Sanctuary

This Week

Sunday, November 23

12:30pm Nominating Committee Room 130
12:30pm Middle and High School Turkey Bowl

Monday, November 24

9:30am Body and Soul Upper Room
1:00pm Women's Prayer Gathering Room 233B
6:00pm York Nativity Play Rehearsal Sanctuary
7:30pm Fourth Orchestra Rehearsal Sanctuary

Tuesday, November 25

9:30am Community Bible Study (CBS) Upper Room
6:00pm York Nativity Play Rehearsal Upper Room

Wednesday, November 26

9:30am Body and Soul Upper Room
6:00pm York Nativity Play Rehearsal Upper Room E

Thursday, November 27



Thanksgiving Day

Join us on Thanksgiving Day at 10:30am in the Sanctuary for a family service of worship and thanksgiving. Dr. Norris will preach on "Solid Foundations" from 2 Kings 18:13-33.

There will be a story for the children, and their gifts of food for the homeless will be received.

Friday, November 28

Church Offices are closed.

Saturday, November 29

Family Prayer Page

For the Week of November 22- 29

We maintain the complete list of prayer needs of the congregation via the Churchwide email system. Printed copies are available in the Media Center. Prayer needs from the Fourth family remain printed in the bulletin for up to four weeks but stay on the email list as long as needed. A complete list of those with long term health needs is printed in the bulletin monthly. Contact Laura Hardiman, lhardiman@4thpres.org, to subscribe to these emails.

Church Triumphant: Anne M. Arey, *November 17, 2014*

Long Term Health Needs

Recuperating

Jeanne Okano
Joyce Dubey
Jane Motto
Yaeko Tanigawa

Long Term Health Needs

Gene Beaumont
Barbara Cummins
Ed Davis
Francoise Le Blanc

Fourth's Family Roster

Jim and Becky Cooke & family
Laura Cooper and Amanuel Admassu
Diane Costenoble
Colleen Costenoble-Caherty
Carol Crabtree
Claire Crabtree
Diane Crabtree
Jean Crabtree

Unable to Attend Regularly

Laurie Alfandre

Missionary Prayer Request

Ricci and Yolanda Paulino, Dominican Republic, Harvest

Pray for the Pualinos as they seek to mobilizes pastors and churches to minister the the spiritual and physical needs in the community around them. Pray for the resources necessary to provide training materials. Pray also for their relationship with the National Evangelical University (UNEV).

Announcements for November 22 - 29

Women's Ministry

Jesus—The Gift and the Feast: Don't miss this year's Christmas Luncheon (11:30-1:30, \$15) and Dessert (7:30pm, \$5) on Wednesday, December 3 in the Upper Room. Melissa Kruger, conference speaker and author of *The Envy of Eve*, will speak at both events, with special music at the luncheon by Lisa Jeffreys.

Register online at 4thpres.org/registration by this Wednesday, November 26 or stop by the table in Halverson Hall today. (Childcare is available during the luncheon, but a reservation is a must!) Your help is needed for set-up on December 2 at 10am or to serve during the luncheon. If you can help, contact jbronson@4thpres.org or 301-320-3434, x275.

Youth Ministry

Registration for Winter Retreat 2015 is NOW open! All middle and high school students are welcome to join us for an incredibly fun President's Day Weekend (February 13-16) at Teen Quest Ranch in Somerset, PA. Spaces are limited. Register online today for the early bird price of \$210 (ends 1/18). Email Chelsea at ccuster@4thpres.org with any questions.

Outreach

Shoes for every foot—a used shoe drive! Our sister church, Star of Bethlehem, has asked us to join them to make a big difference in Haiti by donating our used flat walking shoes. Tie your donated shoes together and drop them off in the box in the Welcome Center. For additional information, contact Pamela Roylance.

ESOL International Christmas Potluck—Don't miss Christmas Dinner with 50 of our new ESOL students and their families on Wednesday, December 10 at 7pm in the Upper Room. Let us know you're coming and what entree or dessert you'll bring. This is a wonderful opportunity to share the meaning of Christmas with the international community in Bethesda. RSVP to esol@4thpres.org

Faith in Action will be in Halverson Hall for the Christmas Outreach Ministry. The children are from Central Union Mission and from Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree Program. For information or to request a child, text or call Pamela.

Congregational Care

Young at Heart presents... Christmas Celebration Luncheon! Join us on Wednesday, December 10 at 11:30 am in the Upper Room for a catered lunch and Christmas carols with Adam Kunsberg and friends. Cost is \$5, please RSVP by December 1 to Laura Hardiman at 301-320-3434, x216, or lhardiman@4thpres.org.

Community Groups

Today begins the final week of Community Groups for this Fall semester. Please join in expressing thankfulness to our 40 group leaders and hosts who weekly open their homes and begin conversations in living rooms. We especially want to thank Jimmy & Cathy Nerantzis who for two years have sought to know, spiritually feed, and lead members of Fourth Church in Rockville. They are remarkable servants. When you see Jimmy & Cathy, give them a big hug and say "Thank You!"

Children's Ministry

It is time to register for the Children's Christmas Craft Workshop for all children grades 1-5 on December 6, 10am-noon. Make gifts for family and friends. Invite a friend to share in the fun. Bring a flat box to take crafts home. Cost is \$10 per child. Adult help is welcome! Register online at www.4thpres.org/registration

York Nativity Plays—Neighbors and friends are welcome at a **Saturday Matinee** of the York Nativity Plays, **December 6, 2pm** in the Upper Room, in addition to our **Sunday Evening "Children's Celebration of Christmas" Performance December 7, 6pm.**

Bring a disposable tray of finger food to share after the Sunday evening service.

Poinsettia Order Form

Here's one thing you can check off your Christmas list! Order your Christmas poinsettias to decorate the Sanctuary. Consider ordering a plant in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Complete the following information and return it to the Church Office by Sunday, November 30. Make your checks (\$12 per plant) payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church with a memo noting the Flower Ministry.

Contact Flower Committee Administrative Chair, Linda Rhodes.

Please print:

Donor(s)

Phone Number

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