

Church-wide

There will be a meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, September 13, 2015 at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary to act on the resignations of Rev. Dave O'Connell and Dr. Robert Norris.

Please join us in the Upper Room immediately following the Congregational meeting on Sunday, September 13, for a reception to commemorate Dr. Norris' 32 years as Senior Pastor at Fourth Church. We will enjoy light refreshments, hear tributes to Rob's ministry, and thank him for his many years of serving our church. All are invited, including children. We encourage you to attend what is sure to be a memorable event in the life of our church family. Buses will run for 30 minutes after the reception ends.

Free Directory Updates will be available in Halverson Hall on Sundays, September 13 and 20. Last year's hard copy notebook is also available for \$15.

RESPOND—Do you share a heart for DC? Please join us as we respond to Christ's call to serve others through a church-wide service day on October 3. Stop by the table in Halverson Hall, contact Adam Norris or Garrett Robinson at Respond@4thpres.org, or sign up online at www.4thpres.org/respond

This Week

Sunday, September 6

11:00am YCF Fall Kickoff Brunch Room 131
11:45am Covenant Choir New Parent Meeting Room 144

Monday, September 7

Labor Day—Church Offices Closed

6:30pm Kensington Community Group Offsite
7:00pm Looney Community Group (Potomac) Offsite

Tuesday, September 8

6:30am Men of Fourth Fellowship Breakfast Upper Room
7:00pm Esther Circle (Silver Spring) Offsite
7:30pm Missions Committee Room 131

Wednesday, September 9

9:00am Body and Soul Room 131
9:30am G2G Brunch Upper Room
10:30am Lydia Circle (Fourth) Room 111A
5:45pm Fourth Night Dinner Upper Room
5:45pm Middle School Bible Study—The Rock Room 102
5:45pm High School Bible Study—The Root Room 007
7:00pm Fourth Night Classes Various Rooms
7:00pm ESOL Classes Various Rooms
7:00pm New Members Class Chapel
7:00pm GriefShare Emmaus House Conference Room
8:30pm Session Meeting Room 131

Thursday, September 10

9:00am Classical Conversations Homeschool Group Various Rooms
12:30pm Body and Soul Upper Room
6:00pm Choir Kickoff Dinner Upper Room
7:00pm Huff Community Group (Loudoun) Offsite
7:00pm Jones Community Group (Laytonsville) Offsite
7:00pm Divorce Care Emmaus House Sunroom
7:30pm Boy Scout Troop Meeting Room 131
7:45pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
7:45pm Young Career Fellowship Room 130

Friday, September 11

8:00am Youth Volunteer Retreat Offsite
9:30am Body and Soul Upper Room
7:30pm Kiess Community Group (McLean) Offsite
7:30pm Bronson Community Group (Rockville) Offsite
7:30pm Jubilate String Quartet Rehearsal Sanctuary

Saturday, September 12

8:30am Teacher/Volunteer Meeting Various Rooms
10:00am Crafts Fellowship River House Attic

Family Prayer Page

For the Week of September 6- September 12

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 Charlotte FitzGerald, cfitzgerald@4thpres.org, to subscribe to these emails.

Long Term Health Needs

Gene Beaumont	Ed Davis	Charlotte Marsheck
Ruth Burley	Dwight Fortna	Jim Rowe
Barbara Cummins	Joan Friberg	Melodie Sackett
Cliff Cummins	Francoise Le Blanc	Claude Walston

Recuperating

Harry Balukjian	Marion Johnson	Anand Paul
Annie Bertran	Sibyl Kitts	Tom Rogers
Paisley Billigmeier	Beverly Langston	Steuart Vest
Marian Ferguson	John Lee	Jack Vrentas
Libby Hoke	Nena Manley	Anne Wetzell
Ed Jenkins	A J Monte	Howard Wetzell
	Sharon Nyhus	

Fourth's Family Roster

John & Gail Hiser and family
Ron & Paula Hochstetler
John & Barbara Hocker
Randall & Susan Hoerauf
Dan & Alice Hogans and family
Abby Hogge
Dennis & Karen Hogge and family

Unable to Attend Regularly

Sibyl Kitts

Missionary Prayer Requests

Ken & Joyce Layton, Navigators, Penn State U

Pray for the Laytons as they meet new students arriving on campus this fall and begin to invest in their lives. Pray for Ken's involvement with the other Navigator staff on multiple campuses as they reach out to international students from various closed countries.

Announcements for Sept 6- Sept 12

Fourth Night

Fourth Night resumes this Wednesday, September 9. See the website or brochures in the literature racks for more information.

Media Center

Packaged sets of the full services from the most recent (August) four-part series, "In the Grip of Grace" are being sold in the Media Center for \$15.

"Faith Facing Fear," the four-part sermon series that ended in July, is still available in a sermon-only set for \$10.

"Fourth Speaks," the daily devotional calendar put out in 2013, is a perpetual calendar that can be given any time of the year and can be used over and over for years. Ideal gifts, they are for sale for \$15 in the Media Center.

Men's Ministry

Our next Men's Breakfast is this Tuesday, September 8 at 6:30am. This is the last time Dr. Norris will teach before his sabbatical. All men are welcome to attend this celebration of his ministry.

Women's Ministry

Bible Studies:

- **G2G/G3 Wednesday morning**
There is limited space for children attending the G3 program so please register soon.
- **Fourth Night Women's Bible Studies:**
 - G2G Evening Edition
 - Glory Veiled and Unveiled
- **Thursday Morning Bible Study**

Where two or three are gathered...

Beginning September 14, ladies are invited to come together every Monday afternoon at 1pm in the Parlor to pray for the needs of our church family and give thanks for all that God is doing.

Circles are a beautiful tradition at Fourth. Monthly gatherings of women meeting in local neighborhoods for friendship and prayer as they dig deeply into God's Word. This year circles will be exploring a selection of Psalms using the Good Book guide, *Soul Songs*. See the weekly calendar to find out which circles meet this week!

The Women's Reformed Theology Reading Group will meet September 18 in Room 132 to discuss *Calvin's Institutes*, Book III, Chapters 10 and 11. All are welcome. Questions? Esther Steele.

Evangelism

The Alpha Course begins in September. The course is a practical introduction to the Christian faith for seekers, conducted in a relaxed, non-threatening small group setting. Alpha will be offered on Monday evenings, September 14 through November 2, at a private home near Fourth. Fourth members are encouraged to invite family members, friends, neighbors and co-workers to attend a no-obligation introductory dinner this Friday, September 11 at 7pm at Kenwood Country Club. Fourth members must bring at least one guest in order to attend the dinner. Flyers and a signup sheet are available in Halverson Hall after Sunday morning services. Contact Mary Bajwa for more information.

Community Groups

A new semester of community groups begins TODAY. Get to know members and attendees of Fourth Church who live near you as you sit around the living room, enjoy fellowship, share prayer requests, and discuss the Sunday morning sermon. For more information or to join a group that meets near you, log onto www.4thpres.org/community or take a flyer from the racks located throughout the church building.

Congregational Care

Faith in Action (Urban Ministries):

Are you cleaning out your house? Faith in Action will have a cargo van in the Upper Parking Lot on Sunday, September 13, 9-11am. In addition to needing staple grocery items and paper products, we could use donations of your old PG-rated movies. All items in good condition are appreciated. Thank you.

New Members

New Members Class: If you are considering membership with Fourth or just want to learn more about us and our beliefs, please go to the Fourth Presbyterian web site 4thpres.org/about/membership/. There you can read about the class, see the schedule, and register.

The first of seven Wednesday evening classes is September 9, 7-8pm in Miers Memorial Chapel. The class culminates with a reception on Wednesday, November 18. Please sign up on-line or call the Church Office. New member classes are also offered next spring on Sunday mornings.

Music Ministry

Handbell choirs are open for children and teens, grades 4-12. Bells of the Trinity (Grades 6-12) meets on Sundays, 8:15am in Room 146, and Ring Forth! (Grades 4-7) meets on Sundays, 10:50-11:40am, also in Room 146. Contact the Music Office if you are interested in a handbell choir for your child/teen.

Adult Education

Adult Education classes resume on September 13 with the following selections:

Pastor's Class
9:30 and 11:00am

Philippians
Corey Gray, Terence Little, Scott Redd
Upper Room

9:30am Classes

Couples in Christ
How Do You Walk the Walk You Talk?
Steve Liston and Carl WylieRoom 132

Confessing Christ: Canons of Dort
Dirk Rankin, Terry Eastland, Paul Kiingi, Bob White,
John RitterpuschRoom 130

11:00am Classes

Young Marrieds Fellowship: Judges
Rob Yancey and Kevin SchickRoom 130

College & Young Career Fellowship: 1 Corinthians
Tommy Myrick.....Room 131

Spiritual Foundations of Marriage
Ron Meyer, Katie Chamberlin and Michael Klitsch
(September 13 - November 8).....Room 132

If you have any questions about Adult Education Sunday school or Fourth Night classes, contact Terence Little, Acting Director of Adult Discipleship, at (301) 320-3434, x261, or tlittle@4thpres.org.