

As we welcome Todd Smedley as our Senior Pastor many have asked if there might be a tangible way to express our appreciation for Rob Norris' 32 years at Fourth. Rob and Caren have raised their children among us, loved us, served us, and prayed for us. Today their children are in locations stretching from Europe to the Central Pacific.

Session believes that an appropriate way to express our appreciation is to provide them the ability to visit and to strengthen their children as they have strengthened us. Session has, thus, endorsed a "Love Gift" in the form of a pair of air tickets sufficient to cover the needed travel and, if possible, associated expenses.

If you would like to contribute to this love gift please indicate on your contribution check or envelope "Rob's Travel" to ensure your gift goes to this special fund. Funds should be received by November 15.

Reaching out in this special way to Rob and Caren, we prayerfully thank you for your continued support of the church, as we move toward the end of the calendar year and the close of the current budget cycle.

With the affection of Christ Jesus...to the glory and praise of God,

Session

This Week

Sunday, October 18

12:15pm	Bosom Buddies: Breast Cancer Gathering	Chapel
12:30pm	Nominating Committee	Room 130
12:30pm	Urban Task Force Meeting	Chapel
1:00pm	Vendt Community Group (Falls Church)	Offsite
1:00pm	Wyatt Community Group (Bethesda)	Offsite
6:00pm	Installation of Dr. Todd Smedley	Sanctuary
7:00pm	Reception for the New Senior Pastor	Upper Room

Monday, October 19

9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
1:00pm	Women's Prayer Gathering	Parlor
6:30pm	Biddison Community Group (Rockville)	Offsite
7:00pm	Looney Community Group (Potomac)	Offsite
7:00pm	Curtis Community Group (Bethesda)	Offsite
7:00pm	Dinner & Alpha Course	Offsite
7:00pm	Rebekah Circle (Bethesda/Potomac)	Offsite

Tuesday, October 20

6:30am	Men of Fourth Fellowship Breakfast	Upper Room
9:30am	Community Bible Study w/Children's Program	Sanctuary
7:00pm	Church and Family Life Meeting	Room 132
7:30pm	Treseler Community Group (Rockville)	Offsite

Wednesday, October 21

9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
9:30am	G2G Bible Study w/Children's Program	Various Rooms
5:30pm	Fourth Night Prayer	Parlor
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	Urban Ministries Conference	Upper Room
7:00pm	ESOL Classes	Various Rooms
7:30pm	Fourth Orchestra Rehearsal	Sanctuary
8:15pm	Women's Council Meeting	Chapel

Thursday, October 22

8:30am	Holton & Landon Moms in Prayer	Parlor
9:45am	Moms in Prayer Bible Study	Chapel
10:30am	Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study	Offsite
12:30pm	Body and Soul	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, October 23

9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
11:00am	Young at Heart Lunch	Upper Room
7:30pm	Kiess Community Group (McLean)	Offsite
7:30pm	Bronson Community Group (Rockville)	Offsite

Saturday, October 24

Family Prayer Page

For the Week of October 18- October 24

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.

Recuperating

Harry Balukjian
Sharon Nyhus
Jack Vrentas
Anne Wetzell
Howard Wetzell

Long Term Health Needs

Gene Beaumont
Barbara Cummins
Ed Davis
Joan Friberg
Charlotte Marsheck
Jim Rowe

Church Triumphant: Dwight L. Fortna, *October 13, 2015*

Fourth's Family Roster

Mark & Leigh Hushower and family
Chris & Melody Istrati and family
Kevin & Carol Jackson and family
Stephen Jackson
William Jackson
Hannah Jacobs
Michelle Jacobs

Unable to Attend Regularly

Ms. Amreta Scott: 3050 Military Rd NW Apt 210
Washington, DC 20015-1374

Additional Prayer Request

Pray for the church plant in York, PA as Dr. Norris preaches the first service this morning.

Missionary Prayer Requests

Meredith Omland, Mexico

Meredith shares good news that the Lord is raising up new leaders in her church in Mexico to resume Kids' Club and reach children, who in turn will invite older siblings and parents to church. Her role is to train and equip others to do what God is calling them to do.

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Announcements for Oct 18- Oct 24

During tonight's evening service, Dr. Todd Smedley will be installed as the eighth Senior Pastor of Fourth Church. A reception will follow in the Upper Room to share in the joy of welcoming Todd as our new Senior Pastor. Everyone is invited to attend the service and the reception, taking this opportunity to encourage Todd and enjoy light refreshments together.

Media Center

DVDs from the September reception recognizing Rob Norris' 32 years of service as Senior Pastor are available for sale in the Media Center for \$5.

A few more copies of Rob Norris' book, *To Live the Gospel: Things that Matter Most*, are still available in the Media Center for \$10.

Packaged sets of the full services from the August four-part series, "In the Grip of Grace" are still available in the Media Center for \$15.

Young Career Fellowship

Calling all young adults to the YCF Fall Retreat at NorthBay, October 30-November 1. Join friends on the zip-line, ropes course, giant swing, frisbee golf, roasting s'mores, and learning from God's Word. Find more information and online registration at 4thpres.org/ycfevents.

Adult Education

SAVE THE DATE for the C.S. Lewis Conference—On Friday, November 13, 7:15-9:30pm, Fourth Church will host Dr. Gary Habermas, Distinguished Research Professor of Apologetics and Philosophy at Liberty University, as he presents "The Case for the Resurrection of Jesus." Find more information and online registration at cslewisinstitute.org/Resurrection.

Flower Committee

Fourth's Flower Committee needs more members. Flower lovers are invited to join (small time commitment) and learn to create arrangements for the glory of God. Contact Lois Smith, 301-368-4844.

Congregational Care

Reminder: The Young at Heart luncheon, Return of the Antiques Road Show, is this Friday, October 23, 11:45am in the Upper Room. Lunch cost is \$5.

Outreach Ministry

Would you like to pray for our missionaries on a regular basis? Sign up to receive emails highlighting a few missionaries each week. Contact the Missions Office at cfitzgerald@4thpres.org to sign up.

All are invited to attend the annual benefit for Romanian Christian Enterprises, October 23 at 7pm at McLean Presbyterian Church. RCE is a partnership ministry with Fourth Church, bringing God's love and special care to the poor, the widow, and the orphan to the glory of God in Romania, through programs like Sunshine School, Amy's House, and Darius House.

Join us for a light dinner and hear from special guests Mihai and Carmen Bosca along with Imola, who will share her story of God's restoration and redemption through RCE. Business attire. RSVP at rcenterprises.org.

Women's Ministry

One very important Save-the-Date: Mark your calendar on December 9 for our Christmas luncheon or evening dessert, when Kristie Anyabwile will speak about "Our Good, Gift-Giving God." She is married to Thabiti Anyabwile, pastor of Anacostia River Church in Southeast Washington, DC. (To get acquainted with Kristie beforehand, you can read her blog or follow her on Twitter.)

Women's Ministry Prayer Team— If you would like to commit to pray regularly for a list of women in our church which will result in getting to know other women as well as strengthening the bonds of those you already know, please contact Jamila at womensprayer@4thpres.org

Church-wide

Help us prepare a book for Rob Norris as his 32-year ministry as Senior Pastor concludes. Please submit notes, letters, photos, and/or drawings on 8.5"x 11" paper, to be scanned and included in the book. The deadline has been extended to November 15. You may bring or mail items to the Church Office or email to book@4thpres.org.

This year's update for the church directory is now available in the Welcome Center on Sundays and in the Church Office during the week. The update is free if you purchased a directory last year, and \$5 if you are listed in the directory and did not purchase one last year. Complete directories, including the update, cost \$15.

The Nominating Committee is prayerfully considering nominees for offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee. We request that you recommend individuals from our congregation for our consideration. Please submit recommendations as soon as possible, and note that there is a particular need for Deacon candidates. Please obtain permission from the individual you wish to recommend before submitting his/her name.

Printed nomination forms are available in the Media Center and Church Office. Deposit your completed form in the office folder for the Committee Chair, Doug Smoot, or Vice-Chair, John Ritterpusch; folders are in the Church Office. **Nominations may also be submitted on line via the church website.**