

This Week

Adult Discipleship

Fourth Night begins Wednesday, September 7 with a Concert of Prayer following the Fourth Night dinner. Fourth Night classes begin September 14.

Adult Sunday school classes begin September 11 with the following selections:

Pastors' Class
9:30 and 11:00 am

The Gospel of John

Terence Little, Rob Norris, Corey Gray, and Scott Redd
Upper Room

9:30 am

Confessing Christ: Westminster Confession of Faith
Dirk Rankin and others / Room 131

11:00 am

Special Blessings Explorers and Bell Ringers Class
Leesa Donner and Linda Elkan / Room 123

Young Adults: Westminster Confession of Faith
Tommy Myrick / Room 131

Young Marrieds Fellowship:
Walking with God and Others
Rob Yancey / Room 130

Life-on-Life: Women Mentoring Women
(Training for Mentors)
Jean Bronson / Room 203
This class runs through October 16.

New Members
Elders / Room 102
This class is from September 25 - November 13.

Spiritual Foundations of Marriage
Ron Meyer and Michael Klitsch / Room 132
This class runs through November 6.

If you have any questions about Adult Discipleship Sunday school or Fourth Night classes, contact Terence Little at tlittle@4thpres.org, or call 301-320-3600, x 261.

Sunday, August 21

12:15am Bosom Buddies Room 132B

Monday, August 22

9:30am Body & Soul Room 131
1:00pm Monday Prayer Gathering Prayer Room

Tuesday, August 23

6:30am Men of Fourth Breakfast Upper Room

Wednesday, August 24

9:30am Body & Soul Room 131

Thursday, August 25

Friday, August 26

9:30am Body and Soul Room 131

Saturday, August 27

11:00 am All Church Picnic Offsite

For offsite details, please visit the church website or call the church office.

Family Prayer Page

For the Week of August 21-27

We maintain the complete list of prayer needs of the entire congregation via the churchwide e-mail system. Although only members' names appear in the bulletin, regular attenders and friends of Fourth Church are posted on our e-mail prayer lists; printed copies are available in the Media Center. A complete list of members with prayer needs is printed on the Family Prayer Page on the first Sunday of every month. Contact Charlotte FitzGerald at cfitzgerald@4thpres.org to subscribe to our prayer e-mails.

Recuperating

Becky Bardsley	Russ Kuss	Ray Thomas
June Brown	Bob Langston	Jack Vrentas
Patti Garver	Peg Pauls	Anne Wetzell
Carolyn Kilbourne	Jim Rowe	Howard Wetzell

Long Term Health Needs

Carolyn Mallory	Barbara Stadelhofer
AJ Monte	Judith Walsh
Melodie Sackett	

Fourth's Family Roster

Larry & Katie Nix	Jenni Noll
Abby Noll	Steven & Sarah Noll
Doug & Linda Noll	Adam Norris

Unable to Attend Regularly

Marion Johnson

Missionary Prayer Requests

Dave and Kathy Lanham, New Tribes Mission

The Lanhams provide member care to New Tribes missionaries serving in Africa. These missionaries translate scripture portions into tribal languages for tribes with no access to the Word of God until recently. Pray for Dave and Kathy as they travel and minister to these missionaries.

Announcements for August 21-27

Church-wide

Help us celebrate births and adoptions in our family of faith by contacting Amanda Westly at awestly@4thpres.org with the news of your new son or daughter. Each month, on Communion Sunday, there will be a separate rose on the organ for each recent birth or adoption.

Church Picnic

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 at Rocklands Farm, 14525 Montevideo Road, Poolesville, MD, 11am-2pm. Don't miss this day filled with fellowship, food, fun, and games for the whole family when we will kick off our 2016-2017 ministry programs.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, paper goods, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dessert, appetizer, or salad, with serving utensils labeled with your name. Cost is \$5/person or \$20/family. **This is the last day to register! Sign up TODAY in Halverson Hall or online at 4thpres.org/registration.**

Want to lend a helping hand at the picnic? Contact Charlotte FitzGerald in the Congregational Care office at cfitzgerald@4thpres.org.

Men of Fourth

Men of Fourth Breakfast, Tuesday, August 23, 6:30-7:30am. Enjoy breakfast and brotherly fellowship. Share prayer needs and praises, and hear from one of our pastors with a timely lesson from the Scriptures.

Urban Ministry

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 1, 2016. Please sign up ahead of time online at www.responddc.org. For more information, contact Adam Norris or Garrett Robinson at respond@4thpres.org or check out the table in Halverson Hall.

Congregational Care

Thinking about marriage? Couples contemplating marriage are invited to join the Spiritual Foundations of Marriage class, beginning Sunday, September 11 at 11 am. To register, contact Charlotte FitzGerald in the Congregational Care office at 301-320-3600, x 216, or cfitzgerald@4thpres.org.

Divorce Care Support Group, Thursdays, 7-9pm, Emmaus House, September 15-December 15. A bible-centered series including topical videos, confidential discussions, and prayer. Contact Congregational Care at cfitzgerald@4thpres.org or 301-320-3600, x 216.

Grief Share Support Group, Fridays, 11:30am-2pm, Emmaus House, September 16-December 16. A small group setting for those experiencing the pain of mourning. Grief Share explores relevant topics using a Christian video curriculum. A light lunch will be served. Contact Congregational Care at cfitzgerald@4thpres.org or 301-320-3600, x 216.

Children's Ministry

Summer Sunday School resumes TODAY. Promotion Sunday is September 11.

Adult help is needed TODAY and NEXT Sunday during the 9:30 and 11:00am hours. Be blessed and be a blessing! Contact Amanda Westly, awestly@4thpres.org, or Carol VanDuzer, cvanduzer@4thpres.org.

Family Ministries

Parents of children and youth—join us in the Upper Room NEXT Sunday, 9:30am for a “Back to Sunday School” session. Hear about plans for the coming year, meet your children's teachers, and connect with other families in your child's class towards the goal of partnering together in forming the faith of the next generation.

Empty Nesters and Young Adults—we would appreciate your support in caring for our children so all parents and teachers can participate in the “Back to Sunday School” meeting mentioned above. No preparation is required—just caring for pre-schoolers or sitting with elementary age children during a special presentation on the “armor of God.” Come be a blessing and be blessed. Contact Amanda Westly, awestly@4thpres.org, or Carol VanDuzer, cvanduzer@4thpres.org.

Global Outreach

Eric and Sue Takamoto will share about their ministry in Japan **NEXT Sunday** at 11:00am in Room 130.

Women's Ministry

Homemade muffins and breads needed for NEXT Sunday. If you'd like to bring homemade muffins, breads, or ingredients for punch for the “Back to Sunday School” session, please email Jean Bronson at jbronson@4thpres.org, or sign up in Halverson Hall **TODAY**.

G2G and Fourth Night Women's Bible Study begins in September! We will study the Book of Psalms at G2G on Wednesday mornings beginning September 7, and at the Fourth Night Women's Bible Study on Wednesday evenings beginning September 14. You may register online at 4thpres.org/registration, or in Halverson Hall **TODAY** and **NEXT Sunday**.

Bosom Buddies meets today 12:15. If you have been recently diagnosed, are under treatment, or a survivor of breast cancer, join us for lunch in Room 132B.

Music

The Children's Choirs of Fourth Presbyterian are an opportunity for all first through eighth graders to lift up Jesus' name as they learn biblical and spiritual songs and sing them in worship services and settings beyond the walls of the church. The choirs provide vocal training and biblical focus to choristers.

The Covenant Choir, for youth in grades 4-8, begins September 4 at 11:00am, Room 144, with a New Parent's meeting that day from 11:45am-12:15pm. Interested choristers and their parents are invited to contact the director, Marilyn Edewaard for a private meeting in the weeks before the choir begins. Email covenantchoir@4thpres.org.

The Celebration Choir, for children in grades 1-3, begins September 11 at 11:00am, Room 202A. If interested, contact Vickie Fanara, celebrationchoir@4thpres.org.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee requests your participation by recommending Fourth members for consideration as Elders, Deacons, and Trustees. Forms are available in the Church office. Completed forms may be left there. For additional questions, please contact Elders John Ritterpusch or Joe Fisher at nominations@4thpres.org.

ESOL

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages, registration begins September 7 for our international friends who come to Fourth on Wednesday nights to learn English. If you know of someone who might benefit, please pass on the word. Flyers are available in literature racks throughout the church. Contact Bill Bronson at esol@4thpres.org for more information.