

# Today

**Sunday, October 2**  
**Worship—8, 9:30, 11am and 6pm**

8:00am	Childcare ( <i>infants-K</i> )	Room 210
8:30am	Bells of the Trinity ( <i>gr. 6-12</i> )	Room 146
9:30am	Childrens Sunday School	Various Rooms
9:30am	Confessing Christ: Westminster Confession	Room 131
9:30am	Middle School Sunday School	Room 102
9:30am	High School Sunday School	Room 007
9:30am	Pastors Class: The Gospel of John	Upper Room
9:30am	Special Blessings: Seekers Class ( <i>K-5</i> )	Room 215
10:50am	Ring Forth! Ringers and Parents Meeting	Room 146
11:00am	Childrens Sunday School	Various Rooms
11:00am	Special Blessings: Discoverers & Handbells	Room 111B
11:00am	Special Blessings: Explorers & Handbells	Room 123
11:00am	Celebration Choir ( <i>gr. 1-3</i> )	Room 202A
11:00am	Covenant Choir ( <i>gr. 4-8</i> )	Room 144
11:00am	High School Choir	Room 007
11:00am	Life-on-Life: Womens Mentoring Training	Chapel
11:00am	New Members Class	Room 102
11:00am	Pastors Class: The Gospel of John	Upper Room
11:00am	Spiritual Foundations of Marriage	Room 132B
11:00am	Young Adult Class	Room 131
11:00am	Young Marrieds Fellowship	Room 130
12:30pm	Nominating Committee	Room 130

**You can find more information about our programs in the Welcome Center, Main Office, Media Center, and information racks located throughout the church.**

# This Week

**Monday, October 3**

9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
1:00pm	Monday Prayer Gathering	Prayer Room

**Tuesday, October 4**

6:30am	Men of Fourth Breakfast	Upper Room
6:30pm	Board of Deacons	Room 131
7:00pm	Alpha Course	Offsite
7:00pm	High School: The Well—Gaithersburg	Offsite
7:30pm	Fourth Orchestra Rehearsal	Sanctuary

**Wednesday, October 5**

9:30am	G2G Bible Study with Childrens Program	Various Rooms
5:45pm	Fourth Night Dinner	Upper Room
5:45pm	Middle School: The Rock	Room 102
6:45pm	Knowing Your Worth Study Group	Room 146
7:00pm	Fourth Night Childrens program	Various Rooms
7:00pm	Doctrine for Life Transformation	Upper Room
7:00pm	Creeds, Characters, Courtesans and Councils	Room 131
7:00pm	Womens Bible Study: Psalms	Chapel
7:00pm	Special Blessings: Praise, Worship, and Movement	Room 123
7:00pm	High School: The Well—Bethesda	Offsite
7:00pm	ESOL	Various Rooms
7:30pm	Fourth Orchestra Rehearsal	Sanctuary
8:30pm	Session Meeting	Room 131

**Thursday, October 6**

8:30am	Holton and Landon Moms in Prayer	Chapel
9:00am	Classical Conversations	Various Rooms
10:30am	Womens Thursday Morning Bible Study	Offsite
12:00pm	Mens Downtown Lunch	Offsite
12:30pm	Body and Soul	Upper Room
6:00pm	Cub Scout Pack 68 Meeting	Room 102
7:00pm	High School: The Well—Potomac	Offsite
7:00pm	Divorce Care Support Group	Emmaus House
7:30pm	Boy Scout Troop 68 Meeting	Room 131
7:45pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

**Friday, October 7**

7:00am	VA Youth Bible Breakfast	Offsite
9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
11:30am	Grief Share Support Group	Emmaus House

**Saturday, October 8**

10:00am	Craft Fellowship	Emmaus House
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**For a complete listing of Fourth Church activities, please visit our website, [www.4thpres.org/calendar](http://www.4thpres.org/calendar).**

# Family Prayer Page

**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 [cftzgerald@4thpres.org](mailto:cftzgerald@4thpres.org) to subscribe to our prayer e-mails.

## **Recuperating**

Becky Bardsley	Patti Garver	John Midlen
Ellen Brobson	Russ Kuss	Jim Rowe
June Brown	Anita Lamkin	Ray Thomas
Dick Calvert	Carolyn Mallory	Jack Vrentas

## **Long Term Health Needs**

Paisley Billigmeier	Melodie Sackett
Delores Dabney	Barbara Stadelhofer
AJ Monte	Judith Walsh

## **Fourth's Family Roster**

Mukesh & Kalpna Patel	Joyce Patterson
Serena Patel	Anand & Esther Paul
Trisha Patel	Carl Paul
Nathan & Julie Patrick and family	

## **Unable to Attend Regularly**

Melodie Sackett

## **Missionary Prayer Requests**

### **Brent and Jasmine Fulton, Hong Kong**

Pray for Brent as he finishes writing the online course "The Church in China Today" that will be offered through the China Source Institute. May it be a fruitful resource to many preparing to serve in China. Lift the Fultons up as they travel to speak at several conferences this month. Praise God for their recent silver wedding anniversary.

### Church-wide

**Directory Update**—If you are a member or regular attender at Fourth, please submit any address or home phone changes by October 9 for a printed update coming in November. You may record changes in the friendship register in the pew or by submitting a database change form found in your directory, the Media Center, and Welcome Center. You may also send your updated information directly to slong@4thpres.org.

### Music Ministry

**Ring Forth! handbells for grades 3-5 begins at 10:50am TODAY.** Parents and children, come to Room 146 for a welcome meeting.

**Sanctuary Choir Open House—Thursday, October 13-7:15pm.** Have you ever wondered whether you might like to join the Sanctuary Choir? Come give it a try! Join us in Room 144 to find out more and spend the evening singing with us in rehearsal. For more information contact Diana Mears at 301-320-3600, x209 or dimears@4thpres.org.

**Fourth Orchestra will play in the morning services for the first time this church year NEXT Sunday.** Rehearsals are Tuesday, October 4, 7:30pm and Wednesday, October 5, 7:30pm. All instrumentalists high school age through adult are welcome! Please call the Music Office to confirm that you are coming. The orchestra will next play for the Advent Evening service on December 4, with two rehearsals in November.

### Mens Ministry

**Christian Men’s Connection (CMC)—Monday, October 10, 7:30pm** in the home of Tim Greszler. This month’s topic is “Men and Competitive Drive” led by Zack Koutsandreas. Men of all ages are invited. We meet the second Monday of the month.

**Men of Fourth Downtown Lunch—October 6, noon.**

**Men of Fourth Breakfast—Tuesday, October 4, 6:30-7:30am.** Enjoy a hot breakfast and brotherly fellowship, share prayer needs and praises, and hear a timely Scripture lesson by Dr. Todd Smedley or Dr. Robert Norris.

For more information on our Mens Ministry, contact Terence Little at tlittle@4thpres.org, 301-320-3600, x261.

### Global Missions

**Romanian Christian Enterprises—Light Dinner and Presentation with the Petrean Family Singers, Friday, October 21, 7-9pm,** Upper Room, no charge. Please RSVP at rcenterprises.org.

### Youth Ministry

**Middle and high school students in VA are invited on Fridays for breakfast and a short Bible study before school, 7–7:45am;** led by Nate and Emily Robbins. Contact Nate at nrobbins@4thpres.org if interested!

### Deacon Ministry

**Operation Cornucopia: Fourth’s Deacons enjoy preparing Thanksgiving bags for needy families, local missionaries, and others, but they need your assistance identifying who needs help this holiday.**

Pick up a nomination form in the Church Office, Media Center, or online at 4thpres.org/deacons. Complete the form and drop it off at church—we will take care of the rest! We appreciate your help. Questions? Contact the Congregational Care Office, 301-320-3600, x216.

### Womens Ministry

**The Great Autumn Outdoor Hiking Adventure, Saturday, October 29.** We’re heading to Harper’s Ferry for a moderately challenging, but fun hike—the view from the top will be well worth the work it takes to get there! For more details, stop by the table in Halverson Hall on October 9, 16, or 23 or contact wofhike@4thpres.org for more information.

### Outreach

**Faith in Action. Look for the cargo van in the Upper Parking Lot NEXT Sunday, October 9, 8am-11:15am.** All donations in good condition are appreciated. For more information contact Pamela Roylance at faithinaction@4thpres.org.

**Join Fourth members on Friday, October 14 at a prayer vigil in Germantown** near a townhouse where 2nd and 3rd trimester abortions are performed. We join area churches in praying one day during 40 Days for Life, September 28–November 6. You may choose one or more hours, 6am–8pm on October 14, to pray quietly for the Lord’s intervention for all who are involved: the parents, the doctor, and the babies. For more information or to sign up, contact Bill and Marsha Nickels at 40days@4thpres.org.

If you, or someone you know, has been impacted by abortion and wants to talk with someone, the pastors are available as well as the Counseling Center at Fourth with licensed counselors Kevin Schick, 301-320-3600, x267, and Jessica Schick, x202. The Rockville Pregnancy Clinic has two female counselors trained in post-abortion counseling; call the Clinic at 301-770-4444 and ask for Rose. Women and men can use any of these resources where confidentiality will be honored.

**Join the Rockville Pregnancy Clinic at its fall fundraising banquet, October 18 for “God is Doing Something New!”;** celebrate the new things God is doing at RPC and for the cause of life nationwide. Visit www.rockvillepregnancyclinic.org to register or for more information.

### Family Ministry

**Moms in Prayer Group — Bethesda**

Bethesda area moms with kids in MCPS gather twice a month to pray for our kids and their schools. If interested, contact Sarah Thatch at momsinprayer-bethesda@4thpres.org.

## The Four Pillars of Fourth Presbyterian Church

### Christ-Centered Worship

*Our primary commitment is to worship the Triune God.*

- Proclaiming the gospel through the whole counsel of God’s Word on Sunday morning and evening
- Celebrating the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as powerful signs and seals which impress upon us the grace of the gospel
- Delighting in His redemptive works, singing His praises, and giving for His glory

### Gospel-Shaped Community

*Our community life is shaped by the gospel of grace.*

- Loving, serving, praying and promoting the peace and purity of the church together
- Bearing one another’s burdens, rejoicing in one another’s joys, and celebrating life in Christ together
- Growing in grace and maturing in Christ as we teach, learn, and apply the Scriptures

### Kingdom-Advancing Multiplication

*Our mission is to make disciples of all nations.*

- Sharing the good news of the gospel and calling all to believe in and follow Jesus Christ
- Welcoming all who want to know more about the Christian faith
- Raising up and sending out missionaries to the ends of the earth

### Neighbor-Loving Service

*Our call is to serve our neighbors in loving witness to Jesus Christ.*

- Demonstrating compassion and mercy to all in need
- Building relationships with our neighbors and being involved in our communities
- Partnering with other organizations that serve the needs of the poor and broken