

Announcements

Churchwide

York Nativity Play—TODAY at 11am in the Upper Room. Our children lead this special presentation of the story of Christ's birth. This program is for the entire church family.

Contribution reminder! As the year draws to a close, the Finance Office would like to remind you that contributions must either be received by—or postmarked by—December 31, 2016 in order to be included in your 2016 giving statement. Statements for 2016 will be mailed in January 2017. Please be sure the church has your correct address. Any address changes should go to Sandy Long, 301-320-3600, ext. 248 or slong@4thpres.org, as soon as possible.

Parking—In an ongoing commitment to neighbor-loving service, please respect our Fourth neighbors, especially this month as we welcome many visitors coming to our Advent and Christmas services.

- Cars violating parking rules throughout the neighborhood may be towed or cited for the violation.
- Keep driveways completely clear. Park at least 15 feet from corners and hydrants.
- Make sure that no valuables are left in plain sight within your vehicle.
- The shuttle bus service from Westbard Shopping Center on Sunday mornings is a great alternative to neighborhood parking.
- TONIGHT, at Lessons and Carols, the upper parking lot will be available for handicapped parking only.

Needed—servants of God to join the Communion Committee once a month to prepare the communion elements for our morning services. Please prayerfully consider joining our team. For further information contact: Sandy Fischer, Connie Kuss, or Doug Noll at info@4thpres.org.

More nominations are needed for Elder and Deacon. Please consider Fourth members who could serve in this capacity and submit their names to the Nominating Committee after obtaining consent. Forms can be found in the Main Office. Contact John Ritterpusch or Joe Fisher at nominations@4thpres.org.

Special Blessings

The Special Blessings Christmas Luncheon is TODAY. We will have a light meal at 11am and share testimonies on the meaning of the Birth of Christ.

Outreach

Romanian Christian Enterprise—Give a gift that honors the Lord, encourages others, and helps Make Mercy Happen in Romania for the 'least of these.' Visit RCE's table in Halverson Hall for more details. Romanian Christian Enterprises is a partnership ministry of Fourth Church. To learn more or order online, www.rcenterprises.org.

Adult Discipleship

Adult Discipleship Sunday school classes have concluded for the semester and will resume January 8. Information on class offerings will be available soon.

Music

Share the message of Christ's birth through scripture and song! CDs from recent years Lessons & Carols Service are available for purchase today in Halverson Hall. This year's Service of Lessons & Carols may be pre-ordered today in Halverson Hall, or by emailing the Music Office at dimears@4thpres.org.

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 cfitzgerald@4thpres.org to subscribe to our prayer e-mails.

Recuperating

Patti Garver	Kim Mitchell	Ray Thomas
Maryalys Hopkins	Jane Motto	Jeff Vuono
Russ Kuss	Barbara Stadelhofer	Estelle Wittholz
John Midlen	Kevin St. Clair	

Long Term Health Needs

Paisley Billigmeier	AJ Monte
Delores Dabney	Melodie Sackett

Fourth's Family Roster

Nate and Emily Robbins	Jeff and Debbie Roberts
Charles and Elizabeth Roberts	Charlie Robinson
Evan Roberts	Don and Susie Robinson

Unable to Attend Regularly

Hank Booth

415 Russell Avenue, Apt. 502
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Missionary Prayer Request

Joe & Jill McCarthy, Wycliffe

Pray for Joe as he works on the Scripture Progress System. Part of that has been setting up a "virtual private cloud" on which the system runs. Wycliffe is moving from physical machines to cloud computers for translation work. Pray for Joe and Jill and all 6 children to have wisdom and balance in work, parenting and ministry.

Concert of Prayer

Sunday, January 8

4:45pm in the Upper Room

Followed by Evening Worship at 6pm in the Sanctuary.

Join us for directed small group prayer as we ask God's blessings on our worship and seek to glorify him.

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This Week

Sunday, December 18

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	Middle School Sunday School	Room 102
9:30am	High School Sunday School	Room 007
9:30am	Special Blessings: Seekers Class (<i>K-5</i>)	Room 215
9:30am	Intercessory Prayer for Sunday School	Room 121
10:50am	Ring Forth!	Room 146
10:50am	Covenant Choir (<i>gr. 4-8</i>)	Room 144
11:00am	Childrens Sunday School	Various Rooms
11:00am	York Nativity Play	Upper Room
11:00am	Special Blessings: Discoverers Class	Room 111B
11:00am	Special Blessings Christmas Gala	Room 123
11:00am	High School Choir Rehearsal	Room 007
12:30pm	Nominating Committee Meeting	Room 130

Monday, December 19

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

Wednesday, December 21

9:30am	Body and Soul	Upper Room
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Christmas Eve

Family Service—5pm / Upper Room
Communion Service—7pm
Candlelight Service—11pm

Christmas and New Years Day

Sunday Worship Service—11am

*No childcare provided for these services.
Room 210 will be open with live feed of the service for parents
who need to care for their children, 3 & under.*

Christmas Poinsettias

We thank the following for sharing the beauty of the Christmas flowers:

<i>Donor</i>	<i>In Memory of</i>	<i>Donor</i>	<i>In Memory of</i>	<i>Donor</i>	<i>In Honor of</i>
Heather Barr The Bertran Family Joanne Bowers The Boyle Family Charles & Ann Brady	Matthew Sarajian Jorge & Maria Bertran and Ernie & Margie Obenland Anne Wetzell Amy Boyle, our sister and daughter Mack Brady, beloved grandson, Evelyn & Ed Brady, parents, Bill McNamara, father Larry Smith Robert Stenstrom	Laura Morgan and Sarah Rogers Richard Morris The Obenland Family	Annie Morgan, The Potters and The Morgans, our sister and grandparents Marshall Morris Mr. & Mrs. Dick Hurst, Mr. William Hurst, Mr. Floyd Hurst, Mrs. Beulah Hurst, Mr. Howard Hurst, Miss Kay Vee Kelley, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Flanagan, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Finneron, Mr. George Obenland Mrs. Margaret Obenland, Mrs. Cleta Obenland, Master Thomas Obenland, Mr. Richard Hurst, Miss Pam Hurst, Mr. & Mrs. Jorge Bertran, Sr. Geraldine E. Haupt Beloved husband, Bob Perdue Our Parents Robert Peterson and Dorothy Langhorne Thomas M. Rankin Mrs. Fran Gustafson and Mrs. Libby Douglas Mrs. Frederick F Reiter, Mrs. Robert W. Reiter, Sr and Mr. & Mrs. George S. Ebbert Tom Houser, Debbie's Dad, and Bill and Mary Roberts, Jeff's parents Nan Robinson, wife and mother Robert G. Rogers, Mary-Lee Reade, Robert Hugh MacMillan and George & Rhea Snowden Nancy & Ed Walker, parents, Carole Walker Potter, sister, Heston & Marian Walker, grandparents, and Charles & Kathleen Murphy, grandparents John & Frances Sich and Debbie Sich Henson Lynne Smedley Louise E. Smith, beloved mother, grandmother	Matthew Bettridge Grace Churchill Joe & Mary Clark Fourth Finance Office Staff Bob & Shirley Giles Roree, Karen & Branden Kerr Ted & Margo Klish Helen & Kip Loy Larry Lull The Lindstroms The Meyer's children and grandchildren Laura Morgan & Sarah Rogers Richard Morris Mary Peddicord Jacob & Rae Peterson Marlin Peterson Vernell C. Raymond Doug & Janet Scott Bob & Lowrie Reiter & Family David & Lou Smith Jenifer, Grace and Bob Treseler, and Taylor Davis Treseler Community Group Lina Zenni	Marce Bettridge Mary Peddicord and Rob & Caren Norris Allison, Amar & Aasha Sahay, our children and grandchild Fred Lofberg Marion Johnson Robert McCrary III and Jan Wilusz & Family Christine Striegel Fay Loy The Slay Family Richard & Ann Cook Ron & Michele Meyer's 40th Wedding Anniversary Newlin & Robin Morgan, our parents Ray R. Morris Grace Churchill Our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren Miriam, spouse, and Susan, daughter Dr. John Gustafson and Rev. & Mrs. David O'Connell and family Our children & grandchildren Mr. Robert W. Reiter, Sr. and our children and grandchildren Chris & Ginnie O'Connell on their 21st anniversary Maria Bolin Fourth's Pastors Nora Zenni
Robin Brady Don Burr, Phil Gatti, Gary Ross Steve Voth and Tom Kiess The Cantrell Family Joe & Mary Clark Christopher Cook & Family The Croft & Peterson Families Elizabeth, Lois & Ralph Davis Martha & Don Dean Gene & Priscilla Dewey Bob & Bunny Eisemann Todd & Carol Elliott and Family Don Evans Leila G. Fatoush Marian Ferguson Carl & Sandy Fischer Flower Committee Clark & Judy Foulke Ed & Carole Franceski Friends Bob & Shirley Giles John Gustafson The Hanley Family	Oliver & Lola Clark, William & Frances Osterhaus, our parents Kay Cook Elizabeth H. Snodgrass, our mother and grandmother Edward P. Davis James A. R. Johnson, Cora & Carrie Dean Rev & Mrs. Glenn C. Dewey and Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Arthur M. Parce Loved ones Larry & Jean Elliott, beloved parents & grandparents Ruth Esther Evans, wife and Stephen Alan Evans, son My loved ones, Aida & Amal Kenneth Ferguson, husband and Ken Ferguson Jr, son Our beloved son, Eric Christopher Lois Smith, gracious leader and mentor Rafael & Barbara Arroyo and Hugh & Edna Foulke Our loved ones Lynn Ritterpusch Lillian Acker and Trude Gray Fran Gustafson Maryetta Chaffin Jones, Jane Hunter Hanley, Tyler Christian Rusch and Mary Eve Simpson Our parents: John & Kathleen Hearle and Charles & Ruth Woodbridge Edward Downey, father Frederick Howell, husband and Caitlyn Shug, granddaughter Reid Jones, our son and brother Richard Jones, father and grandfather, and E. Lester Congdon, father and grandfather Jack Kemp Leanne Young Michael W.D. Kim, father Richard Knox Jay Young Lee Cornelius & Elizabeth Breen, her parents Joseph Edwin Cusack and John Patrick Cusack Mary Ann Carroll and Lt. Brendan Looney Mama & Papa Hsieh and James M. Loy David & Sylvia Lull, parents, and Lt. Jason Kreutter Loved ones Carole Walker Potter Tom & Glen Kleppe Gertrude "Trude" Gray Anthony & Antoinette Minite, and Terry Carlson, Erick Carlson and Jason Willems Those who have gone before us Joan & Wayne Brubaker & Elam Morales	Jeff & Debbie Roberts Charlie & Garrett Robinson Tom & Melissa Rogers and Blake & Leigh Ann Whalry George & Susan Scola Jeffrey J. Sich The Smedley Family Charles, Rebecca, Nathaniel and Naomi Smith David & Lou Smith Ernie & Joan Snowden Colleen Spicka Joe Ann Stenstrom Nancy Swinyard Jenifer, Grace & Bob Treseler and Taylor Davis Mr. & Mrs. Richard Tucker Carol Van Duzer Joe & Joy Walker Betty E. Walston Marty & Betsy West Jeff Whitesel Rich & Maureen Wierman The Yokum Family Lina Zenni Jan Zischke	and Bill and Mary Roberts, Jeff's parents Nan Robinson, wife and mother Robert G. Rogers, Mary-Lee Reade, Robert Hugh MacMillan and George & Rhea Snowden Nancy & Ed Walker, parents, Carole Walker Potter, sister, Heston & Marian Walker, grandparents, and Charles & Kathleen Murphy, grandparents John & Frances Sich and Debbie Sich Henson Lynne Smedley Louise E. Smith, beloved mother, grandmother Our parents Robert & Mabel Siebeking and Robert J. Siebeking Macon St. Clair and Evelyn Snowden My beloved husband, Edward J. Spicka Robert Stenstrom Reginald & Edna Swinyard Linda Swinyard Morehouse Barbara & Bob Treseler Laurie B. Tucker and William F. Cracker Beverly Klassen Dr. & Mrs. Alf Fjordbotten, Evelyn Webb, and Ed & Nancy Walker Claude E. Walston and Dennis C. Walston Lois Smith Mary Whitesel, loving wife, and Betty & Roy Whitesel, my caring parents Beloved Joe & Sherri Griffin and our son, Matthew Lyall Wierman Otis M. Yokum Antoine Zenni, Margaret MacLeod and Alex Mitchell Doug Zischke, my beloved husband		
The Mollard Family Lori Morales					