

## Easter Sunday

**Sunday Worship Services, 9 am and 11:30 am:**

**Title:** The Resurrection: My GPS for Life

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:1-4

**Big Idea:** The resurrection of Jesus is not just a doctrine to believe but it is a redirection of what ultimately matters in this life.

## Next Week

### Youth Sunday

**Sunday Worship Service at 10 am**

**Listen to Sunday Sermons** on the FPCE website or via the “First Presbyterian Church of Evanston” iTunes podcast. Sermons are usually uploaded by Tuesday evenings.

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## Highlights

**Today, we will have an extended time for fellowship. No adult classes.** Children’s education classes will meet as scheduled and youth education (grades 7-12) will meet in the youth lounge in the basement.

**The Annual Youth Sunday Worship Service will be held next Sunday, April 23, at 10 am (which will be our only service that day). A rehearsal will be held the previous day (details are inside). All youth are invited to participate.** Please contact Liz Ribeiro if you have not yet signed up. We will also be hosting an all-church brunch after the service to recognize our graduates and volunteers and celebrate the year. There will not be any education classes after the service. Classes will resume April 30.

**Save Saturday, April 29, for Rebuilding Together, when First Presbyterian Evanston serves God through sacrificial work on area homes.** This year we will work on two homes: One is that of a long-time Evanston resident while the other is a home of an FPCE member in need of help. Sign up online through Signup Genius or at the front desk. You can commit to work a full or half day. No specific repair skills are needed, other than a willingness to serve! These homes are not suitable for children under the age of 14. Contact Caryl Weinberg or Kelly Levander at [klevander@firstpresevanston.org](mailto:klevander@firstpresevanston.org) for help and questions.

## Worth Noting

**We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the Villagomez family for the passing of Miguel Villagomez, who passed away April 9.** Miguel was employed as senior custodian at FPCE for 25 years. He was recently honored as FPCE’s Visionkeeper at InterFaith Action’s annual celebration. Visitation will be held in the Sanctuary from 2-3:30 pm, Sunday, April 23. The funeral service will be held at 3:30 pm with reception to follow. Please go to <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/miguel/> for info about funeral procession and burial times.

**We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the McKay family for the passing of Dr. Dave McKay, who passed away April 6.** A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary at 3 pm, Saturday, April 22. A reception will follow in the FPCE dining room.

**Book Club is meeting on Tuesday, April 18 from 1:30-3 pm in the Parlor.** We will be reading *La’s Orchestra Saves the World* by Alexander McCall Smith, the best-selling and beloved author of *The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency*.

**Time is running out to register for Pilgrimage, which will be held April 20 - 23 at the DeKoven Center in Racine, Wisconsin.** Reservation spots are almost gone! This weekend is an incredible opportunity to deepen your faith and get to know God as you never have before. For more information and/or an application contact Laura Jones at [laurasjones@sbcglobal.net](mailto:laurasjones@sbcglobal.net) or 847-530-8694.

**Friends in Christ will be hosting their semi-annual potluck on Monday, May 1, 6:30 pm to 8 pm, in the church dining room.** Join us and get to know new Associate Pastor, Henry Coates, our after-dinner speaker! All are welcome – you do not need to be a member of Friends in Christ. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to serve four. A main dish will be provided. RSVP Bonnie Kath at 847-730-3432 or at [bkath@comcast.net](mailto:bkath@comcast.net) by Thursday, April 27.

**If you’ve ever wondered what makes varied sounds on the organ, how the organ developed as a musical instrument and what different types of organ music exist, then join us at Senior Varsity, Thursday, May 4.** Come to hear Jack Harriff and Pam Pettibone speak about organs and organ music. Registration will begin at 10:30 am, the presentation begins at 11, and lunch will be served at noon (cost: \$5). Please register by May 2 at the front desk by calling (847) 864-1472. All are welcome, especially seniors.



## Missions

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### Pray for Our Mission Partner

Pray for our mission partners, **Dan McNerney, serving as associated director with Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship, listed on pages 78 and 79 of 52 Weeks of Prayer for Missions.** Pray for new Farsi language Bibles for new believers in Iran, where the church is growing rapidly. Pray for Local churches in the USA as they seek to understand and find dialogue and friendship with their Muslim neighbors. Pray for Dan and his family as he celebrates the completion of his 20th year with Frontier Fellowship.

**Tim Adams, Associate General Secretary of IFES (Oxford, UK) and David Acierno, Executive Director of IFES/USA will be joining us for the regular prayer gathering 7 pm, Wednesday, April 26, in the parlor.** Hear what is happening with University Ministry around the world, and join in prayer for this significant FPCE partner.

**Come celebrate our opening of the Spring and Rebirth Art Exhibit on Sunday, April 30, during the fellowship hour between the 9 am and 11:30 am services.** The Arts Team of First Presbyterian is co-hosting fellowship hour with the Deacons that day in order to encourage everyone to wander down the hallway by the Dining Room to view the submissions by some 20 different artists from First Presbyterian. Some of the artists will be available that day, and each Sunday going forward through May 21. May the Lord use these artists' images to increase our awareness of Christ's "rebirthing" power!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/serve/in-the-world/>

## Calendar Updates

REMINDER: FPCE will hold just one worship service on Sunday, April 23, at 10 am. This will be our annual Youth Sunday service.

## Children and Families

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**Parents/Caregivers and children ages 0-5 are invited to join us for open play times on Fridays, April 21 and 28.** From 9:30-11:30 am, we'll play, visit the Bike Room, hear a Bible story, and sing songs. Plan to stay with your child(ren) and get to know other parents. Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor as well! Church and community members are all welcome! Questions? Contact Kristin Mueller.

**Church Camp registration is online and open!** Students currently in grades 2-6 are invited to join us for a week of camp at Phantom Ranch in Mukwonago, WI, from June 18-23. Learn more and register online through our website at <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/church-camp-2017/>.

**Save the date for Vacation Bible School, where we will discover that we were created by God and built for a purpose at the Maker Fun Factory!** Children age 3 through current 5th graders are invited to spend each morning with us at church during the week of July 24-28.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/>

*Calendars are available in the Narthex or at the Front Desk. They are inserted in the "First Pres at a Glance" at the beginning of each month.*

## Youth

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**NUBS (6th-8th Grade)**  
Meetings are 7-9 pm Fridays in the NUBS Lounge on the third floor.

**PYGS (High School)**  
No PYGS this week or next week. We return to meeting April 30 in the PYGS Lounge (basement).

**Youth Sunday rehearsals:** Choir and band meet Thursday, April 20, 6-8 pm. All participants meet Saturday, April 22, with rehearsal 9 am to Noon, Lunch Noon-1 pm, and Sunday brunch prep taking place from 1 pm until finished (hopefully by 3 pm).

**Join us Friday, April 28, at 7 pm for an all-youth event: Jesus Christ Super Star at ETHS!** Find more information and register now online. Cost is \$12, scholarships available. We will be purchasing group tickets soon so please return your form to the front desk as soon as possible!

**NUBS and PYGS t-shirts are now available.** First come, first served! Purchase at the front desk.

**Registration for Great Escape is here! The trip will take place July 10 through 15!** This event is for rising 6th graders through graduating 8th graders! Great Escape is a sleepaway camp in Greenlake, Wisconsin for Middle Schoolers. Registration forms can be found online and on the children's and youth table.

**The PYGS' 2017 Mission Trip is set for July 29 through August 5.** The team will be traveling to Wetumpka, Alabama, as part of an outreach by Youth Works. Registration forms are available online and on the children's and youth table.

*More details about Youth events can be found in our weekly email. Text YOUTHGROUP to 42828 to subscribe!*

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/students/>

## Important Web Links

Events:  
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/events/>

Resources:  
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/resources/>

Small Groups for Adults:  
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/small-groups-at-fpce/>

## Young Adults/Families

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**Announcing Family Open Gym Time at First Pres!** Starting Thursday, April 27 and repeating 4-7 pm each Thursday, the upstairs gym (Roy Hall) at FPCE will be open for parents and their children to come run around, shoot some baskets, play some games. No need to RSVP; just show up and have a great time!

**Weekly Thursday "Bodyweight Workouts of the Day" to help train for the Spartan Race (see below) will begin April 27 at 6 pm in Roy Hall.** Even if you aren't planning on doing the Spartan Race, come on out and let's exercise hard together!

**Pastor Henry is looking to put together a team for the 2017 Chicago Spartan Race.** The Reebok Spartan Sprint It is perfect for athletes of all levels; from first timers to seasoned obstacle courses racers. The 3-5 Mile Sprint packs more than 20 Signature Spartan Obstacles. If you think you can't do it, you're wrong. The race will be in the afternoon of Sunday, June 11. If you're interested in participating or looking for more information, connect with Henry after church or shoot him an email at [hcoates@firstpresevanston.org](mailto:hcoates@firstpresevanston.org). Partial scholarships are available. Training sessions will begin Thursday, April 27. Deadline for registration with Pastor Henry is Sunday, April 30. The Spartan Race is a fun, challenging event, and it would be great if we could put together a team from First Pres!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/young-adults/>

## Stewardship

Following is the giving revenue received through March 31:

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Last year</b>
Pledges	\$233,521	\$301,289	\$266,253
Faith giving	35,064	45,498	38,025
Loose plate	3,671	3,840	3,309
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$272,255</b>	<b>\$350,627</b>	<b>\$307,588</b>

Thank you for your support. Please contact our Business Manager, Melody Henrie, if unforeseen circumstances will prevent you from meeting your 2017 pledge commitment.