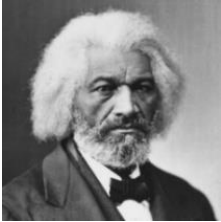


April 15-22, 2018 at

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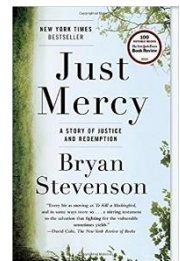


Special Emancipation Day Service This Sunday, April 15

Join us this Sunday for a special service celebrating the 135th anniversary of Frederick Douglass' 1883 speech at First Church. Worship will include a living presentation of the speech. There will also be a catered luncheon following the worship service. (Please see the attached flyer for more details.)

Theology Book Discussion, April 17 at 6:30 PM

The Theology Book Discussion Group will discuss Bryan Stevenson's *Just Mercy* on April 17 at 6:30. This book is a celebrated account of representing suspects accused of capital offenses. David Cole wrote in the NY Times: "*Just Mercy* is a remarkable amalgam, at once a searing indictment of American criminal justice and a stirring testament to the salvation that fighting for the vulnerable sometimes yields."



Speak Up for Immigrants

First Church will host a free UCC workshop on immigration and refugee issues from 9:30 am -3:00 pm on **April 20**. It's a great opportunity for anyone to get involved in the fight to protect immigrants' rights. Guests can attend part or all of the workshop, and a free lunch is provided. UCC ministers from across the country and representatives from immigrant support groups will lead discussions on the political landscape, sanctuary churches, and ways that churches can engage to help our immigrant sisters and brothers. You can register for the event at www.ucc.org/immigrantswelcome2018. We hope to see you there!



Senior Pastor Candidate and Candidating Weekend

After a rigorous and reflective process, the Pastoral Search Committee has unanimously selected Rev. David Grishaw-Jones as its candidate to serve as our Senior Pastor. He is currently serving as Senior Minister at Peace UCC in Santa Cruz, CA.

Following thoughtful presentation and heartfelt testimony from the PSC and after performing its due diligence, the Church Council enthusiastically and unanimously voted to recommend Rev. Grishaw-Jones to the First Church Congregation to be our Senior Pastor. There will be a candidating weekend that will involve several opportunities to meet Dave, culminating in the worship service on April 29 when he will preach. Following the service and coffee hour there will be a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of entertaining a motion to call Rev. Grishaw-Jones to be our Senior Pastor. Details will be announced as they are available. Please make plans to join us!

Rev. Audrey C. Price, Ph.D., Supply Senior Minister
Rev. James Ross II, Minister of Justice Formation
Rev. Sam McFerran, Minister of Faith Formation
John Horman, Director of Music
Byron Adams, Building Manager
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Coffee Hour

April 15	Anisa Heming	Hilary Oat-Judge	Chris Barr	
April 22	Geneen Massey	Aaron Dorfman		
April 29	Marian Drake	Mark Jensen	Amy Dugan	Susan Saudek

Ushers

April 15	Nan McConnell	Meg Maguire
April 22	Chris Byrne	David Greer
April 29	Meg Maguire	

Calendar

Sunday, April 15

- 9:15 am Bible Workbench
- 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
- 10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
- 11:30 am Luncheon, *Community Hall*

Monday, April 16

- 6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center
for Homeless Youth

Tuesday, April 17

- 6:30 pm Home for All Task Force, *Chapel*
- 6:30 pm Theology Book Group, *Living Room*

Wednesday, April 18

- 12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Thursday, April 19

- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Sunday, April 22

- 9:15 am Bible Workbench
- 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
- 10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
- 10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
- Earth Day
- 11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*
- 12:00 pm Adult Nurture: Karl Racine

Prayer List

Mary Alice Ball on the death of her brother-in-law.
Barbara Hayes, recovering from hip surgery.
Andy Raver on the death of his grandmother.
Evan Villemez on the death of his uncle.
Jennie Hunt, recovering from a fall.
Pojen Lee, recovering in Maine from an accident.
Alexis Joy Hayes • Don Bassler • Pat Ashbrook • Ruth Shinn
Pastoral Search Committee