



Sunday, February 21, 2021

Rev. Susan Phillips is leading worship.
Please join us online at 10:30 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85677718426>

Meeting ID: 856 7771 8426

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Or Call +1 312 626 6799 and use
Meeting ID: 856 7771 8426



Wednesday Vespers

Please join us online at 5:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87508376385>

Annual Congregational Meeting

Just a reminder that the Annual Congregation Meeting will be held this Sunday, February 21 following worship. Our agenda includes a review of our ministry in 2020, pastoral terms of call, and updates about St. Andrews. Everyone is invited to attend. Members may vote.



Live Broadcast, Monday, February 22 at 7:00 pm

Faith and Race were significant social factors in the 1850s as they are today. By learning more of our history, we gain insight about our current realities. Please join Susan Phillips, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, and Tiffani Saunders, Lecturer in Sociology and African American Studies at UIS, for an interview with Abraham Lincoln (Randy Duncan) and Harriet Tubman (Kathryn Harris).

[Click here for link](#)

What Happened With Zoom Sound???

On Sunday there were several people who could not hear the videos or recorded music during our Zoom worship service. We are not sure why it happened. This seems to be a problem for many people using Zoom. We are trying new strategies. Here are a few suggestions to try in the meantime.

- Make sure you have the most updated version of Zoom installed.
- Make sure that you have enabled original sound. In order to do this you will first go to the speaker icon then choose audio settings then go down to music and professional audio, there you will find the button to check for enable original sound.
- If you continue to have problems you may want to dial in and listen from a phone. +1 312 626 6799 and use Meeting ID: 856 7771 8426

Spiritual Journeys Through Lent

In the weeks to come, we are pleased to provide you with opportunities to creatively experience this season of Lent through worship experiences, personal reflection, daily devotions, Bible study, poetry, music and art. We are using materials provided by Sanctified Art titled "Again and Again"

Join us live on Zoom for these worship and learning opportunities:

-Sunday Worship at 10:30. We journey as Jesus' disciples toward Jerusalem. (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85677718426>)

-Tuesday Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. We will engage in a lectionary based scripture study using the "Again and Again" devotional book as our guide. You may request a digital or printed copy of the book on the church website. This series begins February 23. (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82686408030>)

-Wednesday Night Vespers at 7:00. Starting with the Ash Wednesday service on February 17, each Vespers service will focus on a different aspect of our Lenten theme. (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87508376385>)

If you would like to receive daily email devotions including scripture, prayer, art and music [click here](#). If you would like a devotional booklet [click here](#).

Daily devotionals will be shared on LincolnsChurch.org and our [Facebook page](#).

Brown Bag Concert Series 12 - 12:30 - via Zoom

February 24

Wild Columbine

William Furry
Megan Thornberry
Sally McDaniel Smith

March 3

Devin Kemp, Soprano

March 10

Diane Dietz, Soprano
Becky Kemp, Soprano
Angela Pryer, Piano

March 17

Susan Phillips, Cello
Nichol DelGiorno, Mezzo Soprano
Garrett Allman, Piano
Rose Marie Thompson, Piano

March 24

Guilherme Ehrat Zils, Double Bass
Pei-I Wang, Piano

March 31

Lincoln Land String Quartet

Kamen Petkov, Violin
Jean Ellen Tweet, Violin
Megan Forness, Viola
Chet Lord-Remmert, Cello
Sam Forness, Guitar

FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
SPRINGFIELD 

Admission FREE

Grab some lunch and join us!

Go to LincolnsChurch.org for Zoom link.

LincolnsChurch.org

Reminder

Just a reminder that another way to be kept up to date on the happenings of the church is to check out our [Facebook page](#).

Keep Posting Your Renovation Ideas!



Thank you for your suggestions and questions regarding the renovation project. Your ideas to date have been posted to the renovation page for everyone to view. *Keep posting those ideas!*

Webpage

The Rooted and Reaching Renovation presentation recording is available at LincolnsChurch.org/renovation. You can review all of the information related to our renovation project, including congregational retreats, pastoral letters, engineering analysis, drawings, financial information, and timelines. We have a [suggestion box](#) for everyone to submit their questions and ideas, too.

SUGGESTION BOX

Faithful Responses to Pandemic: Vaccination Encouragement

Dear friends,

We are grateful we now have vaccines for COVID19. Thanks be!

We are grateful for the scientists who have developed them, the staff who produce and distribute and administer them.

We are grateful for the ways we've been able to care for one another these past ten months. Of course, we also grieve for those who have died with this virus and we pray comfort for everyone who has lost loved ones.

On behalf of our church's COVID Response Team, we want you to know that we will each get vaccinated when it is our turn. Some of us have already received our first doses. Some of us are waiting for fresh supplies. Some of us will wait

our turn while those who are higher risk go first. May we all be patient in the waiting.

In the meantime, please continue masking and distancing, even after receiving the vaccinations. The vaccines reduce transmission and severity of symptoms, but do not eliminate the virus. We will continue our ministry and mission in ways that protect the wellbeing of our congregation and community. Please continue to support each other and to offer assistance or comfort, as needed. In particular, thank you to our many volunteers who are stocking the micro-food pantry.

Follow this link for more information about the vaccines and distribution in our area: <https://scdph.org/>

Blessings of healing,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Susan Hill". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Pastor" in a smaller, more formal script and "Susan Hill" in a larger, more expressive cursive.

Vaccination Helpers Available

Are you having difficulty navigating the registration system for the vaccine? Do you have an appointment but need a ride to the vaccination site? Would you like to have more information about the vaccine or talk with someone who has received it? The Deacons and the COVID Response Team are available to help. If you need assistance contact Chaplain Tim at tim@lincolnschurch.org or call the church office at 217.528.4311 and leave a message. Someone will be in touch.

[Click here for a list of frequently asked questions compiled by the COVID Response Team.](#)

COVID-19 Vaccines

DEBUNKING THE MYTHS

SANFORD
HEALTH

VACCINE MYTH

VACCINE FACT



It was rushed and isn't safe

Researchers took no safety shortcuts. Large studies show the vaccine is safe.



It changes your DNA

It's impossible for the vaccine to change your DNA



It can give you COVID-19

The vaccine doesn't contain a live virus strain



It contains egg protein

It doesn't contain egg proteins and can be given to people with egg allergies



It causes severe side effects

For most, the vaccine causes mild side effects that resolve in a few days



It makes women infertile

There is no evidence that the vaccine causes infertility



Critical Populations for Vaccine Allocation

Limited supply of vaccine		Increased Supply of vaccine	
Healthcare Workers & Long Term Care Facility Residents & Staff. Phase 1a Healthcare Personnel: Defined by the CDC as paid and unpaid workers in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials. E.g. Nurses & Nursing Assistants, Physicians (MD, NP, PA), Respiratory Technicians, Pharmacists, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), etc. Other workers such as Reception Staff, Environmental Services Staff, X-Ray Technician's, Phlebotomists, Infectious Waste Workers, Dietary staff, Laundry staff, security staff, etc. Long Term Care Facility Residents: Defined by the CDC as adults who reside in facilities that provide a range of services, including medical and personal care, to persons who are unable to live independently. Other Identified Congregate Care Residents & staff: See table 1 State of Illinois COVID-19 Vaccination Plan for list	Persons aged 75 years and older & Frontline Essential Workers. Phase 1b Persons aged 65 & over. Frontline Essential workers: Includes those workers who are essential for the functioning of society and are at highest risk of exposure, such as firefighters (including volunteer), Law Enforcement Officers, 911 Dispatch, Security Personnel, Corrections Officers & Inmates, Food and Agriculture Workers, Postal Service Workers, Manufacturing Workers, Grocery Store Workers, Public Transit Workers, Education sector, including teachers and Support Staff and Shelters/Adult Day Care.	Persons 16 to 64 (comorbid conditions) & other essential workers. Phase 1c Further updates to be released for Phase 1c for the context of Illinois; Persons aged 16 to 64: With conditions that increase the risk for severe COVID-19. Such as obesity, diabetes, pulmonary disease, heart conditions including hypertension, kidney disease, cancer, immunocompromised, sickle cell and pregnancy. Other Essential Workers: Workers in transportation & logistics, water & wastewater, food service, shelter and housing (e.g., construction), finance (e.g., bank tellers), information technology & communications, energy, legal, media, and public safety (e.g., engineers), and public health workers.	The rest of the population. Phase 2 Phase 2 is pending ACIP recommendations, possible groups could include; The rest of the population aged 16 & up.
Est. Pop.	850,000	3,200,000	4,000,000
			2,000,000

Kids Activity Page

[Click on this link for a fun activity page. Check back each week for a new activity page.](#)



Tuesday Night Bible Study

Join us Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom for Bible study and conversation. This week we are doing a primer in all things Lent. We will begin our Lenten Study based on the devotional book Again and Again the following Tuesday, February 23 at 6:30. All are welcome!

Join Zoom Meeting

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Building on History - Illinois Presbyterian Home Communities Expands in 2021



With a beginning in 1954 when the Reverend Paul Graebel of First Presbyterian Church, Springfield acted on his desire to create a place where his own mother could age and thrive, his Vision of faith-based senior living continues today as Illinois Presbyterian Home Communities breaks ground in Spring 2021 for additional independent senior living apartments and cottages.

Currently, the campus is home to both independent and assisted living options on the 27 scenic acres atop the hill at Chatham Road and Lawrence Avenue.

The new construction is slated to be completed by Fall 2021 to welcome more residents to the Community of seniors. Fair Hills Cottages will feature; two-bedroom/two bath, a covered porch to enjoy the park-like views, and garage with additional storage. Fair Hills Tower Apartments are being constructed with a mix of one or two bedrooms and the building features a Community Room for gatherings and rent includes one meal a day in Fair Hills Residence Assisted Living Dining Room. Both new offerings will be offered as monthly rentals with annual Community Fee.

To learn more about the new senior living options or opening for new residents in assisted living, contact; Amy Rasing, Director of Development, 217-546-5622.



Garvey Tubman Cultural Arts and Research Center

The GTCARC is looking for volunteers for their summer arts program.

This 8-10 week summer arts program is designed to encourage students age 5 to 18 to understand and use the fundamentals of art including art law, basic shapes, and external boundaries. The use of shapes are used for visual communication, developing skills on texture, color, murals, wall and ceiling exhibits. This supports the production of two-dimensional art and making artistic decisions. GTCARC invests in learning a basic background for art development, research and learning to use recycled or recyclable items. Our programs assistance in media advocacy with parental and community participation has been a benefit for the end of the summer youth art sale. GTCARC features exemplary support from Linda Byrd. A teacher at the NAACP Back to School Stay in School Academy.



Duration: 10 week program.

Starting Tuesday June 1, - Tuesday August 22, 2022.

Hours open: 9:00 am. to 2:00 pm.

Days of week: Monday thru Friday.

Location: First Presbyterian Church, 321 S 7th St. Springfield IL, 62701.

We value our volunteers life schedules and will have sign up sheets in advance to properly staff classroom programs. This is just an overview of the event as of now. If you are interested in being a volunteer please email gtcarc75@gmail.com

Antiracism Training



Join Springfield neighbors as we learn how to dismantle racism in one-day workshops. If you need a more flexible schedule, SCODR will also be offering a dozen opportunities for a two-hour webinar plus a two-hour facilitated discussion.

The new dates for antiracism workshops are available now.
[Please use this link for the SCODR workshops.](#)

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

21 Week Equity Challenge



The United Way of Illinois Equity Challenge is a 21-week program that encourages Illinois residents to engage in racial equity conversations to gain a deeper understanding about the impact systemic racism and inequity have on our state and in our local communities. United, we can help create a stronger, more equitable Illinois economy and stronger, more inclusive Illinois communities.

Sign up today!



NEED HELP?

Someone to Talk to?

Call the Memorial
Emotional Support Hotline at

217-588-5509

Online Giving

"We are grateful for ongoing donations to our church in these unusual times. You may mail checks to the church (321 South 7th Street, Springfield, IL 62701) or you may see this as an opportunity to start giving online.

There are two ways to give electronically. You can use your bank's online bill pay service which has no fee and can be set up as a one-time or repeating contribution. The other way is through the Give Now button located on the church's website under Sharing. This button is a link to our online giving service and has the same options to set up a one-time or repeating contribution. This service does have fees that the church pays or the giver can offset.

As always, if there are any questions or assistance needed, please contact Tara Kaeding at bookkeeper@lincolnschurch.org she will be happy to lend a hand.



Helen S.
Lizzy O.
Terry H.
Sandra Y.
Tim F.
Harvey M. S.
Becky K.
Steve W.
Taneka T.
William L.

All events are via Zoom.

February

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Congregational Meeting following worship

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Faith & Race in the 1850's & 2020's: An Interview with Abraham Lincoln & Harriet Tubman 7:00

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Tuesday Night Bible Study 6:30

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Brown Bag Concert 12:00

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Rev. Susan Phillips to lead worship

NOTE: Links to all events are attached to items on the church calendar found at <https://www.lincolnschurch.org/calendar>. If you click on any item in the calendar, the Zoom invitation will open.

CHURCH CALENDARS

Use this church calendar to keep up to date on any events or meetings happening at the church.

[Click here to view a volunteer calendar.](#)

Today		◀ MAY 2020 ▶	Timezone: GMT -05:00
02 SATURDAY	09:00am - 10:00am Design Charrette budget		
03 SUNDAY	10:30am - 11:30am Sunday Worship on Zoom When: Sun, May 3, 10:30am - 11:30am Description: https://zoom.us/j/395770581 Meeting ID: 395 770 581 Password: 6106230 One tap mobile +19294362866, 395770581 # US (New York) Or call +1 669 900 6833 and use Meeting ID: 395 770 581. Copy to my Google Calendar 04:00pm - 05:00pm Central IL Young Musicians Concert		
04 MONDAY	02:30pm - 04:00pm Worship Committee Meeting 05:30pm - 06:30pm Christian Formation Meeting 05:30pm - 06:30pm communication meeting		

You can also find weekly church events on the homepage where a single click on the image of a computer or smart phone will take you to that Zoom meeting.

Connecting with Zoom

by computer, smart device, or telephone

Sunday *Worship* 10:30
all are welcome



Tuesday *Bible Study* 6:30
with Chaplain Tim



Wednesday *Worship* 5:30
all are welcome



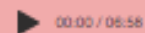
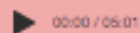
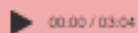
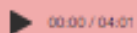
Music *for Meditation*
Paula Pugh Romanaux, organist

Pastorale

Toccata per
l'Elevatione

Bergamasca

Piece d'Orgue,
BWV 572



If you would like some personal assistance learning Zoom, please consider joining us before worship at 10:00 on Sundays, 5:00 on Wednesdays or email RevSusan@LincolnsChurch.org for other times.

How to Join a Zoom Meeting

From your computer, cell phone or tablet:
Click the link provided.

To join a Zoom meeting via telephone:

Dial number given for the meeting. You will be prompted to enter the meeting ID provided followed by #.

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