

October 15–21, 2017

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## News and Resources

A **congregational meeting** has been called by Session for next Sunday, October 22 in the Sanctuary following the 11:00 a.m. service. At that time, the Senior Associate Pastor Nominating Committee will present, for congregational vote, their recommended candidate for Senior Associate Pastor for Leadership Development and Adult Education.

**Inquirers' Class**, a one-session class about Fourth Church that is a prerequisite for membership, will next be offered on Sunday, November 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. Attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. the day they participate in the class.

**Connection Corner** during Coffee Hour offers opportunity to discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church.

A **Shannon Kershner** podcast with the *Sun-Times*. An ABC7 profile of one of our Chicago Lights Marathon Team runners. An update on our friend Tom and his dog, Hurkles—all that and more you will have seen recently if you follow Fourth Church on Facebook: [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)

**Individuals experiencing life challenges** can benefit from being paired with a Stephen Minister, who walks alongside them as a listening presence. The next fifty-hour training course for those interested in becoming Stephen Ministers begins on February 3, after which those trained will make a two-year commitment to this ministry of caring. Stop by Coffee Hour this morning for more information.

**Daily devotions** are available via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); in the literature racks; and at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)



### Called to Be a Church Alive: Our 2018 Annual Appeal

is underway. Thanks to the generosity of many, we are already 45 percent of the way to our goal! If you have not yet submitted your pledge, please do so by Commitment Sunday, October 29 when we will recommit ourselves to actively participating in God's re-creating and reconciling work in this world. Pledge cards are in the pew racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal](http://www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal)

## Worship

**The next candlelit Taizé service** will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel on Friday, October 27.

**Individuals can lift up prayer concerns** with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship today.

**Jazz at Four worship** with Communion is held Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Sacred Pause** meditative silence is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

**Morning Prayer** is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel** is available for walking this week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday. (*See page 4 for times.*) There will also be a hosted “All Connected” labyrinth walk Saturday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

## Mission and Outreach

**Information about 2018 mission trips** to Cuba; to Mexico to build rain cisterns; and to Washington, D.C., with the Interfaith Coalition Against Racism is available at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips) and also in brochures in the literature racks.

**Our Sunlight Project** will host a Selah Freedom Volunteer Connect Meeting this Saturday, October 21 at 9:30 a.m. in the Manse to learn how to make a difference in the lives of survivors of sex trafficking. RSVP to [volunteer@selahfreedom.com](mailto:volunteer@selahfreedom.com)

**The purple bows on the trees** outside the Manse are our annual public witness, during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to all those affected by domestic abuse.

**Fresh produce** from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm is available for purchase during Coffee Hour this morning.

**Our 25th-anniversary Gala of Hope** will be held March 2 at the Radisson Blu Aqua.

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Sunday School classes** meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

**Youth** meet for fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. At 11:00 a.m. Junior Highs meet in Room 4G; Confirmation in Room 5A; Senior Highs in Bumpus; and their parents in Room 5G.

**Tunes for Tots**, for parents and children up to two years old, meets on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Day School Classroom B.

**Our “Pumpkin-Decorating” Family Night** meets this Friday, October 20 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

## Enrichment

**Linda Loving** will talk about her book for women with breast cancer, *A New Song to Sing*, at a reception in Anderson Hall this Thursday, October 19 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. This event is cohosted by Women at Fourth, the Pastoral Care Council, and the Replogle Center.

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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**Two adult education classes** meet today at 11:00 a.m.: “Apocalyptic Literature and the Apocalypse of John,” taught by Stephen Hall, in Room 5E, and “The Protestant Reformation: More Than Martin Luther,” taught by David Nelson in Room 5D.

**Men’s Bible Study** meets this Tuesday, October 17 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**Christian Century Study Group** will meet this Wednesday, October 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

“**Introduction to Systemic Racism,**” a one-day workshop, will be offered on Saturday, October 21. For fee and registration details, call Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

**Men’s Book Club** will discuss *A Legacy of Spies* by John Le Carré on Monday, October 23 at 7:30 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

**Reflections on the spiritual pilgrimage** to Iona in July 2017 and information about plans for a pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch in 2018 will be shared on Sunday, October 29 at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

**A new Grief Group** will begin Monday evening, November 6. For details, contact the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.8425.

**A meditation group** hosted by the Replogle Center meets on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room.

**The Center for Life and Learning**, which offers academic and wellness classes and fellowship gatherings for adults sixty and over, turns fifty-two this Thursday. Learn about the CLL at [www.fourthchurch.org/ctl](http://www.fourthchurch.org/ctl)

## Music and the Arts

**The photo exhibit “Palestine: Unlimited”** is on display in the Loggia until November 22.

**John Rutter’s *Requiem*** will be sung by the Morning Choir during a special All Saints’ Sunday Communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Vivaldi’s *Gloria*, Bach’s *Magnificat*,** and Handel’s *Zadok the Priest* will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society and the orchestra Camerata Chicago on Friday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at [www.cameratachicago.org](http://www.cameratachicago.org) (*use code FPCC for a 50 percent discount*).

## Fellowship

**To sponsor Coffee Hour** in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**Young Adults** meets for their weekly Sunday Gathering discussion time at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

## Volunteers/Donations Needed

**Individuals to staff the Book Nook** during the 12:00 noon Sunday Coffee Hour

**Men’s pants** for guests of the Social Service Center guests

**Single-serving snack items** (*5,000 per month*) for Fourth Church Meals Ministry and the Social Service Center

*Donations can be left at the reception desk. To sign up or for information about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382; rcrouch@fourthchurch.org)*

## Calendar for October 15–21, 2017

### Sunday, October 15

	<b>8:00 a.m. Worship</b>	<b>Victoria G. Curtiss preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel	Choir Loft
9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m.	Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsals		Room 4F
9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons	
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Nursery / Day School	
9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots	Day School Classroom B	
<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center	
10:30 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room	
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel	
11:00 a.m.	"Apocalyptic Literature"	Room 5E	
11:00 a.m.	"Protestant Reformation"	Room 5D	
11:00 a.m.	Youth Groups and Youth Parents	(see announcement)	
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Randolph Room	
12:15 p.m.	Sanctuary and Organ Tours	Sanctuary	
12:30 p.m.	Fabric Art Workshop	Borwell Dining Room	
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Room 5A	
<b>4:00 p.m. Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Alex Wirth preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall	

### Monday, October 16

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk ( <i>also Tues.</i> )	Buchanan Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities

### Tuesday, October 17

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	(see announcement)
7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room

### Wednesday, October 18

	<b>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Group	Randolph Room

### Thursday, October 19

6:00 to 8:30 p.m.	Linda Loving Author Reception	Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel

### Friday, October 20

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Soprano Penelope Shumate	Buchanan Chapel
5:30 p.m.	Pumpkin-Decorating Family Night	Borwell Dining Room
7:00 p.m.	Senior Highs Lock-In	The Loft / Bumpus Room

### Saturday, October 21

8:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Introduction to Systemic Racism	Room 4G

### Worship on Sunday, October 22

8:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching   Communion
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.	Nanette Sawyer preaching   Jazz Communion

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.