

August 5–11, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

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Inquirers' Class will be offered next Sunday, August 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. This one-session class, a prerequisite for membership, offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. Class attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

To recommend for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, or Chicago Lights Board any Fourth Church members—or yourself—who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry, please use the forms available in the pew racks and also online at www.bit.ly/fpcnominating; when completed, paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:
[@FourthChicago](https://twitter.com/FourthChicago)

Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook for photos and church news.

Fourth Church is abuzz with activity this summer! The programs, opportunities, outreach, and services that more than fill our campus on summer weekdays—from Vacation Bible School to Meals Ministry Bag Lunches to Center for Life and Learning exercise classes—depend on the generous summer giving of members and friends. Gifts can be made online at www.bit.ly/FPCgiving or placed in the offering plate. Thank you for your support!

Please take a moment to sign the pew information pad—whether you are a visitor or a member, whether you have updated contact information to share or whether it is the same—so that we might know you are with us.

Discover ways to get involved at Fourth Church at Coffee Hour Connection Corner, which occurs after each service.



A special worship bulletin for children and families!

Since Sunday School does not meet again until September 9, we are particularly pleased to welcome children and youth to worship this month. To assist in the worship experience, ushers have available an annotated version of this morning's 9:30/11:00 worship bulletin for families, filled with explanations, questions, space for notes, and pictures to color.

Individuals experiencing life challenges can benefit from being paired with a Stephen Minister. For more information visit www.fourthchurch.org/caring

Worship

“A Spirit Revolution,” our summer sermon series, continues on the Acts of the Apostles. Next week’s sermon will be on “Starting the Church in Thessalonica” (Acts 17:1–9 and 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10).

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

Sacred Pause meditation, a time of silent reflection hosted by the Replogle Center and the Spiritual Formation Council, is held Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to join staff in praying for all Fourth Church members and for those in need.

Devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available daily via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), as well as online at www.fourthchurch.org; and in booklets in the literature racks.

Music and the Arts

Gerald Griffin’s collection of paintings are on display in the Loggia through Labor Day.

Jazz singer Laura Freeman will present this week’s outdoor Music by the Fountain concert this Friday, August 3 at 12:10 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Mission and Outreach

Women at Fourth’s School Supply Drive continues. For a list of additional materials needed by next Sunday, August 12 and volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour, visit www.fourthchurch.org, or email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Fresh produce is available from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm’s Farmstand (444 W. Chicago) on Saturdays between 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Visit bit.ly/2nDjvSL to sign up for weekly produce shares—which include eggs and fruits—through the Farm’s Community Supported Agriculture program.

The Urban Farm’s Community Farm Day will be held this Saturday, August 11 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. (444 W. Chicago).

Fourth Church’s Sunlight Project, which works to end sex trafficking, will host a training session on Wednesday, August 15 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 4G. RSVP at volunteer@selahfreedom.com

Voter registration will be offered today and August 19 during Coffee Hour for those who have not registered or whose name or address has changed. Two forms of ID will be required: one with name and current address and a second ID with name.

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

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Volunteers/Donations Needed

Individually packaged salty snack items such as chips and pretzels for Bag Lunches

T-shirts, sizes XL and larger, for guests of the Elam Davies Social Service Center

Adult-sized men's and women's socks for guests of the Social Service Center

Walker with a seat

Shower Ministry greeters (*men*) for rotating Tuesday schedule (1:15–4:00 p.m.)

Ushers for 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. services

To sign up or to learn about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382)

Fellowship

To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of a loved one or a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

Young Adults group meets today for their weekly Sunday Gathering at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Each summer Monday, they also meet at 6:30 p.m. at Oak Street Beach for a fun evening of volleyball.

Children, Youth, and Family

Registration for eighth grade Confirmation and the fall Confirmation retreat are due by September 1. For details and registration, go to bit.ly/8thconf

Vacation Bible School children will journey back in time with the Old Testament prophets to visit ancient Babylon each morning this week.

Sunday School does not meet in August. Families are encouraged to have their children worship with them in the Sanctuary. A worship bulletin designed for families is available from the ushers. Sunday School will resume after Labor Day weekend, with the Children, Youth, and Family Fall Kickoff on Sunday, September 9.

Those who supported the youth's summer trips to Cuba, Detroit, and Montreat are invited to hear the students share their experience. Join them following 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, August 26. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to Rocky Supinger at rsupinger@fourthchurch.org

Our Day School preschool program has openings for the 2018–19 school year. For more information, contact Kathy Hager at 312.640.2579.

Enrichment

Information sessions for the new men's discussion series on the Gospels will be offered today at 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon and on August 15 at 6:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For more information, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The Tuesday meditation group meets this Tuesday, August 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room.

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

Horizons Bible Study will meet this Wednesday, August 8 for their study on *Clothed with the Sun* by Joyce Hollyday at 12:00 noon in Room 5H.

Calendar for August 5–11, 2018

Sunday, August 5 **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	8:00 a.m. Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
	9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Nursery		Nursery / Day School
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons		Stone Chapel
	10:30 and 12:00 p.m. Men's Group Information Session		Randolph Room
	12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour		Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m. Organ Tour		Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m. Young Adult Gathering		Room 5A
	4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four	Joseph L. Morrow preaching	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, August 6

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
	6:30 p.m. Young Adults Volleyball	Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, August 7

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(See announcement)</i>
	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches	Loggia
	7:00 p.m. Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room

Wednesday, August 8

	9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches	Loggia
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. <i>Horizons</i> Bible Study	Room 5H

Thursday, August 9

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches	Loggia

Friday, August 10

7:00 to 8:30 a.m.	Men's Discussion Group	Randolph Room
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	12:10 p.m. Music by the Fountain	Michigan Avenue Courtyard

Saturday, August 11

10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Urban Farm Farmstand	<i>(444 W. Chicago Ave.)</i>
	1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Urban Farm Community Farm Day	<i>(444 W. Chicago Ave.)</i>

Worship on August 12 **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms preaching Communion	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Lucy Forster-Smith preaching Baptisms	
	4:00 p.m. Abbi Heimach-Snipes 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.