

November 11–17, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

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Thank you to those who submitted 2019 Annual Appeal pledges! Because of the generosity of so many we are 74 percent of the way to our 2019 goal of \$4.1 million for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. In the coming weeks, we will be reaching out to member households who have not yet made their 2019 pledge. To forego that call, please contact Andrea Miller (amiller@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.2576) or pledge online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal

Those interested in becoming members of Fourth Church are invited to attend a one-session Inquirers' Class, which is offered today and again on December 9 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. that day. Register at www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers

Deacons at the Connection Corner can help you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during Coffee Hour.

Thanksgiving

Join the choirs in caroling on the steps of the Sanctuary this Saturday, November 17 at 5:00 p.m. as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival, held annually the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

Our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving worship service will be held Tuesday evening, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral (*State and Superior*) and will be cohosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, Fourth Church, and Holy Name Cathedral. RSVP for the evening's reception at www.bit.ly/2qLVwri

Thanksgiving Day worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 22. Vicky Curtiss and Kent Organ will preach that morning.

A Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 22 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets (*required*) are available online at www.bit.ly/thanksdinner2018 or by contacting Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Worship

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

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

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Enrichment

“Death, Dying, and Human Dignity” continues today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

“Caregiving as a Spiritual Journey,” concludes today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5E.

“Doxology: Hymns and the Christian Tradition,” with John Sherer and Shawn Fiedler, concludes today at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

“SoulCollage® and Poetry” will be offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being this Saturday, November 17 at 1:00 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. Register (*required*) at www.bit.ly/soulcollagepoetry

“Longing for God: Faith Development over a Lifetime,” a four-week class with Lucy Forster-Smith, begins next Sunday, November 18 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5E.

“Telling Your Story: Storytelling for Wellness,” a three-session series hosted by the Replogle Center, will begin Wednesday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. Register (*required*) at www.bit.ly/rccwstorytelling

“The Impact of the 2018 Election” will be the topic of a Michigan Avenue Forum hosted by the Adult Education Committee and presented by Robert Boatright, Director of the National Institute for Civil Discourse and Chair of Political Science at Clark University, on Thursday, November 29 at 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Fellowship

Today’s Coffee Hour is sponsored by Kathryn Burkhardt in memory of her parents, Margery and John Burkhardt. To sponsor Coffee Hour, contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Books by Women will discuss *Sing, Unburied, Sing* by Jesym Ward this Tuesday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

Horizon’s Women’s Bible Study will meet this Wednesday, November 14 at 12:00 noon in Room 5H. Contact Anne Ellis for more information (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Women at Fourth gathers this Thursday, November 15 at 5:30 p.m. in Bumpus. Nanette Sawyer will lead a discussion on friendship, relationships, and community building.

Children, Youth, and Family

Sunday School children are joining us in worship today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. They will sit with their parents until just prior to the sermon, when they will leave with their teachers for their Sunday School classrooms on the fourth floor.

Youth meet this morning, with Junior High (grades 6–8) at 9:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room; a time of fellowship for all youth at 10:30 a.m. in Allison Library; and Senior High (in Bumpus) and Confirmation gatherings (Room 4G) at 11:00 a.m.

Animal Family Night, with games, a shared meal, and a program by Animals for Awareness, is this Friday, November 16 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org. The reception desk of Fourth Presbyterian Church is at 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014. Phone: 312.787.4570 | www.fourthchurch.org | www.facebook.com/fourthchurch

Mission

See **travel photos and hear experiences** from the South Africa music trip and the “History of Oppression and Resistance” tour on Sunday, November 18 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

Our Annual Fair Trade Bazaar will be held Saturday, December 1 (9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.) and Sunday, December 2 (9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.) in Anderson Hall and Borwell.

Christmas Wishes, Women at Fourth’s annual collection of Christmas gifts for Chicago Lights Tutoring students, will kick off next Sunday, November 18 with the distribution of wish lists and signups for volunteer opportunities.

The annual Holiday Bags project will also kick off next Sunday. In Coffee Hour on November 18 there will be bags to decorate and a list of items with which to fill them, in preparation for giving the bags to our Meals Ministry guests prior to Christmas.

Mission trips to Cuba (May 6–15) and **Guatemala** (August 4–11) are being planned for 2019. Learn more or apply (*deadline: January 15*) at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips

Volunteers and Donations Needed

Volunteers to assist with Thanksgiving Dinner following Thanksgiving Day worship
100 ushers to help with Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services

Volunteers to help set up and take down our Fair Trade Bazaar, Friday evening, November 30 and Sunday afternoon, December 2

“Christmas Wishes” gift project volunteers to help do inventory, staff the Coffee Hour table, and wrap gifts

Volunteers to unload food trucks at the church; must be able to lift 50 pounds

Sets of new or gently used flatware for Sunday Night Supper: full-sized table knives, forks, and spoons (*no serving pieces or soup spoons, please*)

Vacuum cleaner and microwave for an elderly couple

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

Music and the Arts

The Andrew Pipe Organ Third Anniversary Concert will be presented by Stephen Buzard this Friday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary and will feature the music of Leo Sowerby. A pre-concert lecture will take place at 5:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

The Brandenburg Concertos will be performed as part of the Civic Orchestra’s Bach Marathon this Wednesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Organist Thom Gouwens will play this week’s free Friday Noonday Concert.

“Christmas with Chanticleer” concerts will take place Tuesday and Wednesday, December 4 and 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available from the CSO (312.294.3000; www.cso.org).

Calendar for November 11–17, 2018

Sunday, November 11 *Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

	8:00 a.m. Worship • Lucy Forster-Smith preaching	Sanctuary
9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m.	Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsals	Room 4F
	9:00 a.m. Tunes for Tots	Day School Classroom B
	9:00 a.m. Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
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
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship • Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m. "Death, Dying, and Human Dignity"	Room 5G
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Children in Worship	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Youth Groups	<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m. "Caregiving as a Spiritual Journey"	Room 5G
	12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
	12:10 p.m. "Doxology: Hymns and Christian Tradition"	Buchanan Chapel
	12:15 p.m. Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Nanette Sawyer preaching	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, November 12

	9:00 a.m. Day School Preschool <i>(also Tues.–Fri.)</i>	Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	<i>Catholic Charities</i>

Tuesday, November 13

	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches <i>(also Wed., Thurs.)</i>	Anderson Hall
	6:00 p.m. Books by Women	Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m. Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room

Wednesday, November 14

	9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	12:00 p.m. <i>Horizon's</i> Women's Bible Study	Room 5H
	7:00 p.m. Bach Marathon Finale/ <i>Brandenburg Concertos</i>	Sanctuary

Thursday, November 15

	5:30 p.m. Women at Fourth Monthly Gathering	Bumpus Room
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Friday, November 16

	12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Thomas Gouwens, Organ	Sanctuary
	5:30 p.m. Lecture on the Music of Leo Sowerby	Room 4G
	5:30 p.m. Animal Family Night	Borwell Dining Room
	7:30 p.m. Organ Anniversary Concert	Sanctuary

Saturday, November 17

	1:00 p.m. "SoulCollage® and Poetry"	Boyle Conference Room
	5:00 p.m. Caroling for the Lighting Festival	Sanctuary Steps

Worship on November 18 *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

	8:00 a.m. Lucy Forster-Smith Communion	
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Shannon J. Kershner New Members at 11:00	
	4:00 p.m. Shannon J. Kershner preaching Jazz Communion	

For a complete Fourth Church calendar that includes links to register for programs and to add events to your own electronic calendar, see www.fourthchurch.org/calendar