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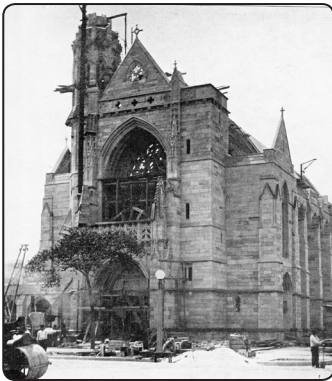
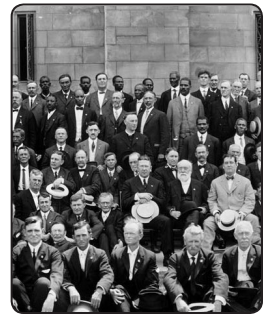
The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

News and Opportunities



We are glad to have you with us today and hope you will explore the many opportunities for learning, serving, and community building at Fourth Church! * **Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ**, we welcome everyone, without exception, into the life of this congregation. * We invite you to join us at this intersection of faith and life as we share God's grace with one another and the world through worship and ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice.

Today is **Dedication Commemoration Sunday** at Fourth Presbyterian Church, declared by Pastor John Timothy Stone in 1914 to be observed on the third Sunday of each May. On Sunday, May 10, 1914, the Fourth Church congregation worshiped in the Michigan Avenue Sanctuary for the first time, having moved from its smaller facility on Rush at Superior. A series of dedicatory services were held the remainder of that week, and later that month, the new Sanctuary and Parish House buildings were host to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, ► including the assembly's communion service attended by more than 1,800 worshippers.



Today is also **“Leave a Legacy” Sunday**. The generations that have gone before us left a vibrant legacy, not only in the bricks and mortar of the Sanctuary and Parish House buildings but also in the financial foundation from which we carry forth our ministry. It was the \$25,000 that remained after the completion of ◀ the 1914 building project that began the Fourth Church endowment fund. * Just as we carry on the work of the church today, so too we are committed to passing on the legacy of that ministry for future generations. We invite you to stop by Coffee Hour this morning to learn about our **Legacy Society** and the ways in which you can help sustain the future of Fourth Church's mission and ministry.

This **“News and Opportunities” insert** is our invitation to you to join us in taking part in the programs and resources available to you here at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. On our website you will find even more opportunities, as well as the page www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up with details about signing up for the programs listed here.

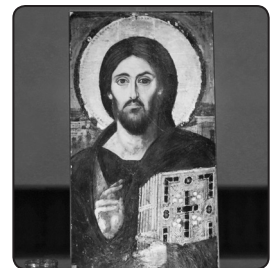
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Today's Coffee Hour is hosted in recognition of **Fourth Church officers** and in gratitude for their dedication and service to this congregation. Please take opportunity to thank those who this spring complete their three-year term as Elder, Deacon, or Trustee (they are wearing pink name tags today), the continuing officers, and those officers who are being ordained and installed this morning (and who are wearing purple name tags). * Coffee Hour also offers opportunity to talk with **Stephen Minsters** about this one-to-one ministry with individuals experiencing challenging times. * After the noon Coffee Hour, please join us for **"Folk Art of the Wounaan"** at 12:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Karen Torres will talk about the internal displacement of this indigenous population in Colombia and about their ► basketwork, which is currently on display in the Loggia.



As we recognize those who serve in leadership roles here at Fourth Church, we give thanks for the ongoing ministry of **Shannon Kershner**, who five years ago, on May 18, 2014—on the centennial celebration of this Sanctuary—preached her first sermon as Pastor of Fourth Church. We look forward to continuing our discipleship journey side by side! * We also give thanks for the ministry of ◀ **Abbi Heimach-Snipes**, who after three years with us as a pastoral resident will this summer become associate rector at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Oak Park. Abbi's last Sunday with us will be June 2, when we will celebrate her at the fellowship gathering that follows Jazz at Four that day. * June 2 will also be the last Sunday **Shawn Fiedler** will be with us as Ministerial Associate for Worship, as he will be moving to Boston for his partner's new job. We will have time to express our gratitude to Shawn during Coffee Hour on June 2.

Next Sunday, we will welcome **Father Elias Chacour** as our guest preacher at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Father Chacour, author of *Blood Brothers*, is internationally known for his work for reconciliation between Palestinians and Jews. * Our **"Big Questions" sermon series**—which this week asks "How can we be church with differing political views?"—will resume on June 2, when we consider "Will we recognize each other in heaven?" * This Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. we gather for a candlelit ► **Taizé service**, with opportunity to take part in a **labyrinth walk** beforehand.



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

In addition to our Sunday morning services, we also come together as a **worshiping community** on Sunday afternoons for a 4:00 p.m. jazz Communion service in Buchanan Chapel. * If you are interested in **servicing as a greeter** to welcome Jazz at Four or 11:00 a.m. worshipers, please let us know! * On Wednesdays we gather for **Morning Prayer** to pray for members and those in need.

Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2019 are asked to send their names to Rocky Supinger (rsupinger@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, June 10 so that they can be included in the bulletin on Sunday, June 16, which is **Baccalaureate Sunday**. * As we look ahead to fall programming for the 2019–2020 year, when youth Sunday programs will resume, we are in need of ► **adult leaders for junior and senior high programs**, whether as chaperones for retreats or to assist with Sunday morning youth groups or Confirmation circles.



There is no Sunday School today or next Sunday, but children are always welcome to worship with their parents! * **Summer Sunday School** will be in session June 2 through July 28 at 9:30 a.m. only.



If you are looking for ways to connect with others here at Fourth Church or in the community, we invite you to find a program or event that matches your interests or has you curious. Brunch opportunities include **TwentiesThirties Brunch** today at 12:15 p.m. in Room 5A and **LGBTQIA Brunch** next Sunday, May 26. * This Thursday, May 23 at 5:30 p.m., **Women at Fourth** will hold a program on ◀ **contemplative prayer**. * Rob Koon will talk about “**Art in the Life of Fourth Church**” at the June 7 dinner program of **Cornerstones** (*registration required by June 5*).

If you are looking for ways to become involved in addressing the important issues of our day, we invite you to attend a program this Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room on **inequities plaguing Chicago public schools** * You can also walk, run, or support the GospelRun on Saturday, June 1, through which the **Racial Equity Council** will be raising funds for **antiracism work**.



The **Presbytery Assembly** will be meeting here this Tuesday, May 21, and to help us host we need more volunteers that day between 1:00 and 6:00 p.m. * We are also looking for individuals to wrap silverware for our **Meals Ministry Sunday Night Suppers**. * Also needed are individuals to share their talents and connections as part of the **2020 Gala of Hope Committee**, to support this ◀ Chicago Lights and Replogle Center fundraising benefit.

For details, go to www.fourthchurch.org/sign-up

Calendar for May 19–25, 2019

Sunday, May 198:00 a.m. Worship • Victoria G. Curtiss preaching Sanctuary
	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
	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Time of Prayer with Deacons Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Tour. Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m. New Member Brunch Page Smith Room
	12:15 p.m. Organ Tour Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m. TwentiesThirties Brunch Room 5A
	12:30 p.m. Folk Art of the Wounaan Borwell Dining Room
	4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four • Nanette Sawyer preaching. Buchanan Chapel
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper Anderson Hall
Monday, May 20.9:00 a.m. Day School (<i>also Tues.–Fri.</i>) Day School Classrooms
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper Catholic Charities
Tuesday, May 217:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study. <i>see sign-up page to RSVP</i>
	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause Meditation Stone Chapel
	12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (<i>also Wed.–Thurs.</i>) Anderson Hall
	4:00 to 9:00 p.m. Presbytery Assembly. Sanctuary
	6:00 p.m. Inequities in Education Funding. Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m. Meditation. Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, May 22.	9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Benevolent Guild Room 5B
Thursday, May 235:30 p.m. Women at Fourth: Contemplative Prayer Bumpus Room
Friday, May 24.	12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert: Heinrich Christensen, organ Sanctuary
	6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Labyrinth Walk Anderson Hall
	7:30 p.m. Taizé Buchanan Chapel

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