

September 15–21, 2013

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today is “Get Connected” Sunday. All are invited to Anderson Hall and the Commons following worship for the annual “Get Connected” Coffee Hour to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities.

The Associates Board bake sale today in Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour benefits Chicago Lights. Breads, cookies, brownies, and more will be available.

The congregational letter from Calum MacLeod, which was emailed this past week, is also posted on the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org. If you did not receive the letter, be sure to send your email address to news@fourthchurch.org to ensure you don't miss future updates.

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, an archive of photos, and more.

The September update from the PNC is posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc. As noted there, the Pastor Nominating Committee is currently in conversation with a select group of candidates.

One year ago tomorrow, September 16, 2012, we laid the Gratz Center cornerstone. Tuesday, September 17 will mark the 101st anniversary of laying the cornerstone for the Sanctuary in 1912.

The first class of Stephen Ministers will begin fifty hours of training on October 9. Those interested in becoming a Stephen Minister are encouraged to complete an application by mid-September. Information is available online at www.fourthchurch.org or by calling Judy Watt at 312.573.3360.

An interfaith Blessing of the Animals service will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Be sure to take a moment to enjoy the photos from last Sunday's Children and Youth Kickoff activities. They are being shown on the information kiosks in the Commons and are also posted in an album online at www.facebook.com/fourthchurch. In the days ahead, watch both places for more church life photos as well as information about upcoming events and opportunities!



Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also online. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church no later than September 30.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

WORSHIP

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is typically available on Mondays and Tuesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held on the fourth Friday of the month, will next be held on Friday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Linda McCarty will talk about Faith in Practice and medical outreach in Guatemala during a presentation today at 11:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.

September is Hunger Action Month. For information about alleviating hunger, stop by the Mission table at Coffee Hour.

An orientation session for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Monday, September 16. New male volunteers may attend this session or an all-male orientation session on Tuesday, September 17. Both sessions are held at 6:00 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.

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“Hope in an Age of Crisis,” a presentation about how congregations can play a role toward a more just society, will be held this Wednesday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m. at St. James Cathedral (65 E. Huron). A light dinner will be served. To register, contact Vicky Curtiss at vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org.

A World Habitat Day work day with Windy City Habitat for Humanity will be held on Monday, October 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 119th and Union Ave. For details, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

FELLOWSHIP

To sponsor Coffee Hour, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org.

Young Adults will meet today for fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Knitters and Crocheters, which meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month, will next gather on Tuesday, September 24 at 5:00 p.m.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Pianist Katie Reimer will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Choral Society welcomes new singers to rehearsal on Thursdays, beginning September 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will perform Francis Poulenc’s *Gloria* on November 8.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes are held today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The “Parenting in Faith” series will discuss “What Does It Mean to Raise Your Child as a Presbyterian” today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

Youth in grades 6–12 gather on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

The Cherub, Children’s, and Youth Choirs rehearse on Sundays, with Youth Choir (grades 6–12) at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B, Cherub Choir (age 4–grade 1) at 10:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel, and Children’s Choir (grades 2–5) at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

A Family Movie Night will be held this Friday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room and the Michigan Avenue courtyard (weather permitting).

Fall Family Camp will be held at Camp Geneva, on Lake Michigan, just outside Holland, Michigan, from Friday, September 27 to Sunday, September 29. Registration forms, which are available at www.fourthchurch.org/children/family-camp.html, are due this Friday, September 20.

ENRICHMENT

Men’s Bible Study will next gather this Tuesday, September 17 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Ryan Loeckel at rloeckel@fourthchurch.org.

Christian Century Study Groups will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, starting September 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To register, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Beginner T’ai Chi Chuan classes, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Tuesdays, starting October 1, at 2:00 p.m. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

Four new Academy for Faith and Life classes begin later this month: “An Introduction to the Bible,” led by Kenneth Vaux; “Immigration and Our Journey of Faith,” led by Edwin Estevez; “New Paths: Christians Engaging Israel,” led by Robert Cathey and Esther Menn; and “Forgiveness,” led by Vicky Curtiss. Register online at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

Craig Barnes, who preached at Fourth Church in June and is President of Princeton Theological Seminary, will be speaking on “Humility and Expectation” at the Christian Century’s annual lecture. For registration details about the lecture, which will be held at the Arts Club on Thursday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m., contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 (event@christiancentury.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

A Time and Talent Volunteer Fair will be held next Sunday, September 22 during Coffee Hour following morning worship services. Stop by Anderson Hall and the Commons to learn about opportunities to volunteer through Fourth Church.

Current Volunteer Needs

Greeters and attendants for the Covenant Network Conference at Fourth Church, Oct. 31–Nov. 2

Doctors, nurses, and pharmacists to provide medical knowledge prior to Sunday Night Supper, 3:45–5:00 p.m.

Experienced website developer to help an AIDS agency improve their website

Current Donation Needs

Laptop or iPad for the Social Service Center bag lunch program

Men’s and women’s sturdy seasonal clothes (coats, hats, socks, etc.)

For details or to volunteer, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 15–21, 2013

Sunday, September 15

8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Edwin Estevez preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Bake Sale Benefiting Chicago Lights	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	“Parenting in Faith”	Room 4C
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
11:00 a.m.	Faith in Practice Presentation	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:00 noon	New Member Brunch	Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Courtyard
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, September 16

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tuesday</i>)	Buchanan Chapel
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Center for Life and Learning Classes (<i>also Tuesday–Friday</i>)	
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>also Wednesday–Friday</i>)	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities

Tuesday, September 17

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	(<i>see announcement</i>)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Moms’ Group	Fourth Floor Lounge

Wednesday, September 18

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups	Randolph Room

Thursday, September 19

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
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Friday, September 20

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Katie Reimer	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Family Movie Night	Borwell Dining Room / Courtyard

Saturday, September 21

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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Worship on Sunday, September 21

8:00 a.m.	Judith L. Watt preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Calum I. MacLeod preaching
4:00 p.m.	Adam H. Fronczek preaching

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. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$6 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.