

November 30–December 6, 2014

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# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

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## ENRICHMENT

*Christian Century* Study Groups will next meet this Wednesday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

“**Marriage: The Master Class**,” a series led by Elise Magers and Paul Giblin, will explore “Timeshifting and Marriage” on Monday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. To register, call the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.8425.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Persuasion* by Jane Austen on Tuesday, December 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

“**Faith Today**,” a Bible study offered through the Center for Life and Learning, is held on Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. No RSVP is needed for this free class, which is open to all ages.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

“**Mindful Parenting**,” a monthly series for parents that is led by Sue Schemper, will be held on Sunday, December 7 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

**La Posada Family Night** will be held on Friday, December 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Gratz Center.

## FELLOWSHIP

To sponsor **Coffee Hour**, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

### Online gifts for Light Up a Life—to make a difference

in the lives of those served by the programs of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights—can be made at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

They can also be made using the envelopes in the pew racks.

These gifts provide important year-end support to programs that feed the hungry, provide educational opportunities, engage people through music, and much, much more!



**Cornerstones** will meet for their annual Christmas party this Friday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m. To register (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by this Wednesday, December 3.

**Fourth for Bridge** will meet this Saturday, December 5 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**ThirtiesForties' "Faith in Focus"** series continues next Sunday, December 7 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F with discussion of faith perspectives on leadership. A Christmas party will follow at 12:00 noon in the fifth-floor lounge. To register for the party (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, December 3.

**Fourth Dimension** will gather for their annual holiday party next Friday, December 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the first floor of the Manse. To register (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, December 10.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**The Chicago Lights Associates Board** is participating in the Santa Hustle this Saturday, December 6, with all proceeds benefiting Chicago Lights. To join or support the team, visit [bit.ly/CLABhustle](http://bit.ly/CLABhustle)

**Recycled newspaper** is being collected by the Chicago Lights Urban Farm for composting with worms. Donations are being received at the reception desk. For large-quantity donations, contact Ben Jaffe at [bjaffe@fourthchurch.org](mailto:bjaffe@fourthchurch.org) to schedule a drop-off time at the Urban Farm.

**Due December 15** are applications for mission trips to Cuba and Haiti. More information is available in the literature racks and online.

**Save the date! Gala for Hope**, the annual benefit (previously known as Carnival) to support Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center, will be Friday, March 6. Watch for details in the new year!

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

**An Advent Wreath Workshop** for children and families will be held today from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

**The "Christmas Wishes"** gift project collects gifts for Chicago Lights Tutoring students who might not otherwise receive them. Wish lists are available at Coffee Hour today. Volunteers are needed to help collect and wrap gifts. To help, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**"A Chanticleer Christmas"** concert will be held this Tuesday, December 2 and Wednesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org)

**"Candlelight Carols,"** a concert by the St. Charles Singers, will take place this Friday, December 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at [www.stcharlessingers.com](http://www.stcharlessingers.com)

**The annual Fair Trade Gift Bazaar** will be held on Saturday and Sunday, December 6 and 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and 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](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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**“Holiday Pops!”**—a concert with Chicago Chamber Orchestra and cabaret duo Beckie Menzie and Tom Michael—will take place next Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Tickets are available at [www.chicagochamberorch.org](http://www.chicagochamberorch.org)

**“Holidays a cappella,”** with Chicago a cappella, will be held on Friday, December 12 at 8:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Tickets are available online at [www.chicagoacappella.org](http://www.chicagoacappella.org)

**Taking Communion to homebound members** will be part of the Deacon ministry in December. If you know of Fourth Church members who would like to receive Communion, please call Carol Allerton by the end of the day today at 312.640.5448. Those individuals will then be called to ask about setting up a visit.

**Help decorate the Sanctuary** and Gratz Center and also memorialize or honor loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Advent and Christmas flowers and garlands. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Contributions can be made using forms in the literature racks and online. Completed forms must be returned by Friday, December 12 for names to appear in the bulletin.

**An Advent Contemplative Retreat** will be held Saturday–Sunday, December 13–14 at The Well in La Grange Park. Registration forms, which are available in the literature racks and online, are due next Sunday, December 7.

**The Festival of Advent Lessons and Music** will take place on Sunday, December 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A cookies-and-cocoa reception will follow in Anderson Hall.

**Items for Christmas gift bags** are being collected for guests of the Elam Davies Social Service Center. Instructions and a list of needed items are available at Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week. Items are to be returned to the reception desk by next Sunday, December 7.

**A Lakeside Singers holiday concert** will be held on Friday, December 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at [www.lakesidesingers.com](http://www.lakesidesingers.com)

A **“Christmas with Tower Brass”** concert will be held on Saturday, December 20 at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A \$20 suggested donation will be received at the door.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Pianist Kristina Nyberg** will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Volunteers to help take down** the Fair Trade Bazaar on Sunday, December 7; 2:00–4:30 p.m.

**Church members to serve** as Nursery caregivers during the 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship service

**Tutors** for Chicago Lights Tutoring

**Audio recording operators** for worship

### *Current Donation Needs*

**Men’s and women’s sturdy winter clothes**

**Travel-size toiletry items**

**Nonperishable food items**

**Colorful tablecloths** for Sunday

Night Supper

*A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available online at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html)*

**CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 30–DECEMBER 6, 2014**

**Sunday, November 30**

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Matt Helms preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery		Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots		Gratz Center, First Floor
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.		Advent Wreath Workshop		Parish House Dining Room
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering		Bumpus Room
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Layton Williams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>

**Monday, December 1**

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk ( <i>also Tuesday</i> )		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.		Day School ( <i>also Tuesday–Friday</i> )		Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>also Wednesday–Friday</i> )		Sanctuary
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.		Tutoring ( <i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i> )		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Room 4F

**Tuesday, December 2**

	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Sanctuary
6:30 and 7:00 p.m.		Intro to Meditation/Meditation		Boyle Conference Room
	7:30 p.m.	"A Chanticleer Christmas"		Sanctuary

**Wednesday, December 3**

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.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Groups		Randolph Room
	7:30 p.m.	"A Chanticleer Christmas"		Sanctuary

**Thursday, December 4**

10:00 a.m.		Moms' Group		Room 4C
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**Friday, December 5**

12:10 p.m.		Noonday Concert: Kristina Nyberg		Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.		Cornerstones		Borwell Dining Room
7:30 p.m.		St. Charles Singers: "Candlelight Carols"		Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 6**

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.		Fair Trade Gift Bazaar	Anderson Hall/Borwell Dining Room	
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.		Open House		Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.		Fourth for Bridge		( <i>see announcement</i> )

**Worship on Sunday, December 7**

8:00 a.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.		Hardy H. Kim 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 on Sundays only at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and only for three hours in that period. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.