

August 6–12, 2017

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

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

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!

Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class—a prerequisite for membership—is being offered today from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room and again at the same time and place on Sunday, September 10. On the day of the class, attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m.

Each Sunday you are with us, please take a moment to sign the pew information pad—whether you are a visitor or member, whether your contact information needs to be updated or is the same—so we might know you are with us.

Connection Corner during Coffee Hour helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church.

"Like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see news, quotes, and photos of church life.



Join us for worship outdoors next Sunday, August 13!

We're taking our weekly Jazz at Four Communion service outdoors next Sunday, August 13—and again Sunday, September 3—to the Michigan Avenue courtyard. Join us by the fountain at 4:00 p.m. next Sunday for a time of worship, the music of the Lucy Smith Quartet, and fellowship with one another, all while surrounded by the beauty of summer.

Worship

Family worship bulletins are available from the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. ushers.

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

Sacred Pause meditative silence is offered on 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.

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available for walking this week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday. (*See page 4 for times.*)

A candlelit service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. Friday, August 25 will be our next opportunity to gather for this contemplative time of meditative song, prayer, and silent reflection.

Children, Youth, and Family

Vacation Bible School children will journey back in time with the Apostle Paul to visit ancient Rome each morning this week.

Confirmation registration is open for youth entering eighth grade. High school students wishing to make a profession of faith are also invited to participate in this program, which begins in September. Sign up online at www.bit.ly/confirmationfpc

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 next Sunday, August 13. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to Rocky Supinger at rsupinger@fourthchurch.org

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 children and 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 10.

“We Play Together,” an interactive class for parents and their children ages eighteen to twenty-four months (by September 1), will be offered by the Day School on Tuesdays from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m., September through June. To sign up (*enrollment is limited*) or for more information, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579; khager@fourthchurch.org).

Youth and their families will go camping Labor Day weekend, September 1–3, at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. For details or to sign up (*space is limited*), go to www.bit.ly/youthcamping17

Those who will be in college this fall are invited to participate in a mission trip to Mexico December 26 to January 2 to build cisterns in Yucatan. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, August 31. Details and a registration form are posted online: www.bit.ly/fpcmexico17info

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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Mission and Outreach

A **Community Cookout** with food, music, and fellowship will be held this Saturday, August 12 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm. All are invited to this free event.

Today fresh produce from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm is available for purchase during Coffee Hour. It is also available on Saturdays at the Farmstand (444 W. Chicago) from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The annual School Supply Drive—which benefits participants in Chicago Lights Urban Farm and Tutoring programs and is organized by Women at Fourth—is in need of materials, donations, and volunteers. For a list of materials and help needed, stop by Coffee Hour today, email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org), or visit www.fourthchurch.org

“Introduction to Systemic Racism,” a one-day training opportunity on Saturday, September 23, will be held at Fourth Church. Space is limited; register with Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

Enrichment

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in the literature racks; and at facebook.com/fourthchurch, [@FourthChicago](https://twitter.com/FourthChicago), and www.fourthchurch.org

Horizons Bible Study, a monthly Bible study for women, meets this Wednesday, August 9 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 5H.

Men’s Bible Study next meets Tuesday, August 15 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A **Grief Support Group** begins Monday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m. There is no charge, but pregristration (by calling the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being at 312.787.8425) is required.

Cornerstones, a group for those fifty and over, meets on Friday, September 1 at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and a program—presented by professional storyteller Anne Shimojima—on the impact World War II incarceration had on Japanese American families. RSVP (*required*) to Carol Allerton (callerton@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.5448) by Wednesday, August 30.

Fellowship

Young Adults meet for their weekly Sunday Gathering time of fellowship and discussion on various topics at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. On Mondays they play beach volleyball at Oak Street Beach at 6:30 p.m.

Music and the Arts

The Music by the Fountain free Friday concert this week features vocalist Laura Freeman at 12:10 p.m. outdoors in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Volunteers Needed

School Supply Backpack distributors to hand out backpacks at the Urban Farm on Saturday, August 12

Cookout volunteers to assist with the Urban Farm Community Cookout on Saturday, August 12; shifts begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue through 3:00 p.m.

To sign up or for information about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch at 312.981.3382 or rcrouch@fourthchurch.org

Calendar for August 6–12, 2017

Sunday, August 6

	8:00 a.m. Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
	9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
	9:00 a.m. Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Nursery / Day School
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons		Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
	12:30 p.m. Young Adults		Room 5A
	4:00 p.m. Jazz Worship	Nanette Sawyer preaching	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, August 7

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	4:00 p.m. Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper	<i>Catholic Charities</i>
	6:30 p.m. Young Adults Volleyball	<i>Oak Street Beach</i>

Tuesday, August 8

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	7:45 a.m. Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	11:30 a.m. CLL: Summer Film Series	Room 5F
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (<i>also Wed.–Thurs.</i>)	Anderson Hall

Wednesday, August 9

	9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	12:00 p.m. Horizons Bible Study for Women	Room 5H

Thursday, August 10

	9:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	10:30 a.m. Moms' Group	Room 5C

Friday, August 11

	9:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School	Fourth Floor
	12:10 p.m. Music by the Fountain	Michigan Avenue Courtyard

Saturday, August 12

8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Urban Farm Farmstand	(444 E. Chicago Ave.)
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.	Community Cookout at the Urban Farm	(444 E. Chicago Ave.)

Worship on Sunday, August 13

	8:00 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss preaching Communion	
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Rocky Supinger preaching Baptisms New Members (11:00)	
	4:00 p.m. Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching Outdoor 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.