

# News and Opportunities

### **FELLOWSHIP**

Young Adults will meet for a fellowship gathering Tuesday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. at Grami (160 E. Grand). They also meet Sundays for conversation and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building and Mondays for beach volleyball at 6:15 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

The Sewing and Knitting Group will gather this Tuesday, May 24 at 5:00 p.m. in the Ontario Room at the 737 building.

Cornerstones will host a trolley tour of Northside churches on Friday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will follow the tour. Space is limited. To register (required), call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

The Men's Group will host Father Michael Pfleger, who will be interviewed by Father Pfleger's biographer, Bob McClory, on Saturday, June 11 at 8:00 a.m. All are invited. To make reservations, call 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, June 8.

### NEWS AND RESOURCES

A letter from John Buchanan reflecting on the PCUSA's vote to change the constitutional standards of ordination can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/amendment10a.html.

Today is Sarah Johnson's last Sunday at Fourth Church. After serving Fourth Church as a Pastoral Resident and Minister for Congregational Care, she has accepted a call to serve as Associate Pastor for Christian Formation at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church in Scottsdale, Arizona. Please stop by Coffee Hour today to thank Sarah for her ministry among us.

New church officers are wearing white flowers today; outgoing officers are wearing yellow flowers. Please take a moment to thank these fellow members for their role in the leadership of our congregation.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the new building being built as part of Project Second Century will take place Sunday, June 5 following 11:00 worship. Part of that day's festivities will also include announcement and celebration of the final results of the Griffin Matching Challenge, in which so many generously participated in order to make the building a reality.

Next Sunday is Bike the Drive day, which will affect traffic on Lake Shore Drive. Those interested in joining the Fourth Church Cycling Club on this ride are invited to meet at 6:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 29 at the southwest corner of Jackson and Columbus. To register for the ride, visit activetrans.org

The Book Nook, which is available during Coffee Hour, will be having a sale on selected titles from now through June 12 and will then go on summer break.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks, via Facebook and Twitter, and by email: send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org.

Stay up-to-date on Fourth Church news, resources, photos: "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

A giving kiosk in the Narthex makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give a gift to Fourth Church, Chicago Lights, or P2C.

# MISSION AND OUTREACH

A "Not in Our Neighborhoods" study group to explore what members of Fourth Church can do about the issue of child sex trafficking will meet today at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building.

The Chicago Lights Associates Board, a new leadership opportunity for young professionals, will hold an informational meeting Wednesday, May 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. RSVP to Erin Dalpini at 312.981.3596.

Links for Lights, the 2011 Chicago Lights Golf Classic, will be held Monday, June 13 at the Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. Foursomes and individual golfers are invited to participate, along with non-golfers who may attend a day trip to Harbor Country. Reservations can be made in the Narthex or online at www.chicagolights.org.

The Greater Chicago Food Depository (GCFD) Hunger Walk is Saturday, June 25, and the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center (EDSSC) is organizing a team to participate. Funds pledged in support of the team will be used as credits the Social Service Center can spend at the GCFD. For more details about supporting or joining the EDSSC Hunger Walk team, call Sarah Esparza at 312.981.3388.

A letter urging Illinois senators to support fair, equitable, and appropriate treatment of mental illnesses is available at www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html.

# **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

Current Volunteer Needs
Church members to teach Sunday School
this summer at 9:30 a.m.

Helpers for Summer Day, starting June 27. Orientation is June 15 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. or June 21 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

**Church members to usher** at the 8:00 a.m. worship service

Church members to replenish a care team for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

Current Donation Needs
Men's sturdy clothes in larger sizes
(coats, pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

### MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Organist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Music Director at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's Free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

*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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The Center for Life and Learning annual art show opening reception will be Friday, May 27 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at ARC Gallery (832 W. Superior, Suite 204).

### **WORSHIP**

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:45 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

A service in the style of Taizé is held on the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The next service will be this Friday, May 27. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

A jazz service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. A Bible study and sermon discussion follow the service.

### CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The Youth Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for their summer mission trip to Detroit is today from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available at the door. Made-to-order omelets by John Vest are available for an additional donation.

The nursery for young children is located in the Page Smith Room and Second-Floor Conference Room.

**Sunday School** classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Beginning next Sunday and continuing through the summer months, Sunday School will meet only at 9:30 a.m.

Fourth Church Youth in Elevation (grades 6–7) meet today at 10:30 a.m. in the Knox Room at the 737 building. Senior Highs and Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) will be participating in the Youth Pancake Breakfast.

Family Camp registration forms for the June 3–5 weekend in Saugatuck, Michigan, are available in Anderson Hall and online at www.fourthchurch.org. For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 (mscanlan@ fourthchurch.org).

A baby shower for Fourth Church members who are expecting or have welcomed a new child into their family in the past year will be held on Sunday, June 5 at 12:30 p.m. RSVP by contacting Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

### **ENRICHMENT**

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. CLL, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Academy for Faith and Life classes will be held today at the Clare (Rush and Pearson): "A Globally Hospitable Church," led by Dean Lueking, and "Heart of a Stranger," led by Kerri Allen, at 9:30 a.m. and "Reading from Cultural Perspectives," led by Frank Yamada, newly elected President of McCormick Seminary, and "Thinking about Worship for a Diverse Congregation," led by Joyce Shin, at 11:00 a.m.

Martin Marty will speak about "The Faces of Fundamentalism," the last presentation in a series sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning, on Thursday evenings at the 737 building. For details and fees, contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

# **CALENDAR FOR MAY 22–28, 2011**

<b>Sunday, May 22</b> 7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Paga Smith Roc	om/Conference Room
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Calum I. MacLeou preacm	ing Sanctuary The Tent
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9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Youth Pancake Brea		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	1	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible St	udy	The Clare
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes		The Clare
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		The Tent
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation	- 1 - 1	737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Academy Classes		The Clare
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		The Tent
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering		Room – 737 Building
12:30 p.m.	"Not in Our Neighb	orhoods"	737 Building
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Matthew J. Helms preachi	ng Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supp	er	Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Bible Study and Se	rmon Discussion	Sanctuary
Monday, May 23	·		•
9:30 a.m.	Day School (also To	reeday_Friday)	Manse
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)  Stone Chapel		
6:15 p.m.	Young Adults Beach Volleyball Oak Street Beach		
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Tuesday, May 24			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knittin	g Group Ontario l	Room – 737 Building
7:00 p.m.	Young Adults Fello	wship	(see announcement)
Wednesday, May 25			
6:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Ass	ociates Board Meeting	737 Building
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Thursday, May 26			
6:00 p.m.	"The Faces of Fund	amentalism"	737 Building
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Friday, May 27			
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Knox l	Room – 737 Building
12:10 p.m.		Organist John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	CLL Annual Art Sh		(see announcement)
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	r	Anderson Hall
7:30 p.m.	Taizé		Sanctuary
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### Preaching on Sunday, May 29

Joyce Shin preaching 8:00 a.m. John Buchanan preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Kerri N. Allen preaching 4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.