

# News and Opportunities

#### **NEWS AND RESOURCES**

Gifts to help those affected by Hurricane Isaac can be made by using the special envelopes in the pew racks. Those gifts will be directed to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), which is working to respond to needs in the affected areas. For more information or to give online, visit www.pcusa.org/pda.

Fourth Church welcomes Edwin Estevez to the staff as the new Pastoral Resident. In the weeks ahead, please take opportunity to introduce yourself and greet him.

The Gratz Center Cornerstone Laying will take place Sunday, September 16 following the 11:00 service. All are invited to this historic event, which will take place 100 years after the cornerstone was laid for the Sanctuary. Two months later, on Sunday, November 18, the Gratz Center and Buchanan Chapel will be dedicated and the official opening of the building celebrated.

"Get Connected" through fellowship, education, and service at Fourth

**Church!** On Sunday, September 23, all are invited to Anderson Hall following worship for the annual "Get Connected" Coffee Hour to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities.

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has been hard at work over the summer, as they continue to gather and receive names of possible candidates for Pastor of Fourth Church. For information about the PNC process, visit www.

**Follow Fourth Church on Twitter** at @fourthchicago and @fpcangel.

fourthchurch.org/pnc.

#### **WORSHIP**

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. Individuals may also place written prayer requests outside Stone Chapel.

### A Lot Happened at Fourth Church This Summer

—from Gratz Center construction to youth events, from VBS to Chicago Lights Summer Day, from mission projects to outdoor concerts. If you missed any of it, we have pictures! Check out the "Photo Albums" page at www.fourthchurch.org (also accessible by scanning the QR code with a smartphone) for the latest photos of life and events at Fourth Church.



Morning Prayer is held on weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be Friday, September 28. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

#### MISSION AND OUTREACH

Save the date for Carnaval 2013— Friday, February 22—and watch for details in the weeks ahead.

A petition through the Chicago Coalition urging Illinois state representatives to support legislation that requires titles whenever gun ownership changes and that bans military assault weapons in the hands of civilians is available for signing at the Mission table at Coffee Hour.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, stop by the Mission table during Coffee Hour or contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Applications for a mission trip to South Africa (April 2–18, 2013) are due by Monday, October 1. Details and application forms are available at the Mission table at Coffee Hour and online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html.

# CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The Cherub, Children's, and Youth Choirs resume rehearsals today, with the Youth Choir (grades 6–12) at 9:30 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, the Cherub Choir (age 4–grade 1) at 10:30 a.m. in the Dining Room, and the Children's Choir (grades 2–5) at 11:00 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room.

**Sunday School classes resume** today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Youth** in grades 6 through 12 resume their weekly Sunday gatherings today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building (on Chicago Avenue, just east of Michigan).

Fall Family Camp at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, will be the weekend of September 28–30. Registration forms are available at www.fourthchurch.org/children/ family-camp.html or by calling Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

Young Adults will gather today at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building for fellowship and conversation.

ThirtiesForties will "break bread" today with lunch at Go Roma (848 N. State) following 11:00 a.m. worship. They will also meet for a picnic this Saturday, September 15 at 1:00 p.m. at Daley Bicentennial Plaza (337 E. Randolph).

Fourth Dimension will gather for a discussion led by Marge Nykaza, Executive Director of Harmony, Hope, and Healing, this Friday, September 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

**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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#### **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

New volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program are asked to attend one of the following orientation sessions from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Dining Room: Monday, September 10; Wednesday, September 12; or Tuesday, September 18. For details, call Meghan Stegemann at 312.981.3560.

Current Volunteer Needs
Church members to teach Sunday
School at 9:30 a.m. to three-year-olds
or at 11:00 a.m. to kindergarteners/
first graders on alternate Sundays

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and
Monday Night Suppers, on rotation
A shopping side to assist food portry

A shopping aide to assist food pantry guests on Wednesdays, 2:00–5:00 p.m.

**Dishwashers** following Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Personal shoppers to assist Elam Davies
Social Service Center guests on
Wednesdays or Thursdays
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**Sorters** to go through donated clothes on Mondays or Thursdays

Current Donation Needs
Men's sturdy clothes (T-shirts, polos, shorts, jeans, etc.) in larger sizes

For details or to volunteer call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 or visit www.fourthchurch.org.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! Identical Bible studies that offer opportunity to reflect on the assigned texts meet on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., both at the 737 building. Devotions on the texts are available online (www.fourthchurch.org) and via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@fourthchicago), and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Center for Life and Learning classes and activities for those sixty and over resume on Monday, September 10. Details about the many opportunities offered through the CLL are available at www.fourthchurch.org/cll.

**Books by Women** will meet to discuss *Liberty's Exiles: American Loyalists in the Revolutionary World* by Maya Jasanoff this Tuesday, September 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

"Great Decisions," a men's discussion series offered by the Center for Life and Learning for men sixty and more, begins Wednesday, September 12. To register (required), contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

Four new Academy for Faith and Life classes begin on Sunday, September 30: "Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry," led by a different Fourth Church pastor each Sunday, at 9:30 a.m.; "The Book of Mormon," led by Adam Rose, at 9:30 a.m.; "Before and After Constantine," led by Ken Sawyer, at 11:00 a.m.; and "Faith, Politics, and Why You Should Care," led by Edwin Estevez, at 11:00 a.m. Details are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

#### MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Choir rehearsals for the Chancel and Morning Choirs are held on Thursdays and Sundays. For more details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/music/choirs.

Organist Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Fourth Church Choral Society's first rehearsal is open to all singers and will be held on Thursday, October 4 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

# CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2012

Sunday, September 9			_
7:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir Reh	earsal	Choir Loft
7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Nursery Page Smith Room/Anderson Hall S. Balcony		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod prea	aching Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehear	rsal Third	Floor Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehe	arsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering		737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod prea	aching Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Re	ehearsal Third	Floor Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	ThirtiesForties "Br	eak Bread"	(see announcement)
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults		737 Building
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Adam H. Fronczek pre	aching Garth
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supp	er	Anderson Hall
Monday, September 10			
9:30 a.m.		so Wednesday–Friday)	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	CLL Classes (also 7	3	737 Building
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring Orientation	n	Dining Room
Tuesday, September 11			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		737 Building
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Wednesday, September 12			
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring Orientation	n	Dining Room
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Thursday, September 13	"P 1		D 11.11
10:00 a.m.		in a Year" Bible Study	737 Building
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Reh	earsal	Choir Loft
Friday, September 14			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert:	Thomas Couwens	Sanctuary
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Saturday, September 15			
1:00 p.m.	ThirtiesForties Pica	nic	(see announcement)
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Preaching on Sunday, September 16			

Calum I. MacLeod preaching 8:00 a.m.

K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Adam H. Fronczek preaching 4:00 p.m.

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.