

March 16–22, 2014

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

We look forward with great enthusiasm to welcoming Shannon Kershner, Pastor-Elect, to Fourth Church beginning in May and her family beginning in June. Shannon's first sermon as Pastor of Fourth Church will be on Sunday, May 18, the day we celebrate the centennial of the Sanctuary and look ahead to our second century on Michigan Avenue. To learn more about Shannon and her call to Fourth Church, please visit the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org.

We remember in our prayers Black Mountain Presbyterian Church as, in the weeks to come, they say good-bye to Shannon Kershner and her family and as that congregation looks to the Spirit-led future ahead. Our letter to that congregation is posted online: <http://bit.ly/1dCLaXS>

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

Life Line Screenings, offered through the Center for Life and Learning and Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, will take place on Tuesday, March 25 in Anderson Hall. For more information or to register, call 800.324.9458 or visit www.helpinghandsforhealth.com.

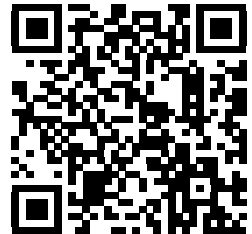
Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times. Information for those who might benefit from conversation with a Stephen Minister is available in the literature racks, online, and by leaving a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, information about upcoming events, an archive of sermons and prayers, photos, and much more.

Inquirers' Class, which is a prerequisite for membership, next meets on Monday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F.

Did you miss this on Facebook this week:

A glimpse of Buchanan Chapel transformed into a city bus during youth worship with David LaMotte? Photos of the Michigan Avenue courtyard beautifully blanketed by the latest snow? An invitation to Family Night with the fennec fox who visited last year? Check out www.facebook.com/fourthchurch to make sure you don't miss this week's posts!



WORSHIP

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

A service in the style of Taizé will next be held on Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

LENT

Remember loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Friday, April 11 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/lent-easter.

To receive Lenten devotions by email (if you do not already receive our daily devotions), send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org. Devotions are also available on the website and via Facebook and in printed format in the literature racks.

An Interfaith Passover Seder will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware). A limited number of tickets are available by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, March 31.

A Lenten Contemplative Retreat will be held Friday–Saturday, April 11–12 at The Well in La Grange Park. To register, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Sunday, April 6.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Fourth graders will receive Bibles from the congregation during 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship today as the congregation lives out its baptismal pledge to support the children and youth of the church.

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

Youth (grades 6–12) meet today today at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A “Faith Formation” workshop for parents will discuss “How Do We Pray as a Family?” today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G. Parent Space, a time of fellowship for parents, will be held next Sunday, March 23 at 9:30 a.m.

The “Religion in Interfaith Homes” series continues today with the topic “Planning Your Wedding in Abrahamic and Other Traditions” at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G.

“The Progressive Youth Ministry Conference: Fresh Voices, Radical Ideas” will be hosted here at Fourth Church this Wednesday through Friday.

A Moms’ Night Out with Women@Fourth Connect will be held on Thursday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Vineyard Vines (540 N. Michigan). To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at lnickerson@fourthchurch.org by Tuesday, March 25.

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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Family Night with Animals will be held this Friday, March 21 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults will gather today for a discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The Hygiene Kit project, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, collects supplies for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Donations are being accepted at the Women@Fourth Connect table during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Faith Build Day, a Habitat for Humanity work day, will be held on Saturday, April 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registered adult volunteers are invited to meet at Fourth Church at 7:30 a.m. that day to carpool to the work site. To sign up to volunteer, stop by the Volunteer table at Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life classes continue today: “An Ethical Approach to Scripture,” led by Kenneth Vaux, and “Potpourri: Pastor’s Choice,” led by Fourth Church pastoral staff, at 9:30 a.m.; “Introductory Overview to the Bible,” led by Vicky Curtiss, at 11:00 a.m.; and “Introduction to Buddhism,” led by Yarina Liston, at 12:30 p.m.

Men’s Bible Study will gather this Tuesday, March 18 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Ryan Loeckel at rloeckel@fourthchurch.org.

New classes begin today in the Academy for Faith and Life: “God, Suffering, and Evil,” led by Anna Case-Winters, and “Making Room at the Table: Understanding and Solving Hunger in America,” led by Vicky Curtiss, Adam Fronczek, Dan Hula, and Matt Gross, at 9:30 a.m. and “The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks,” led by Jeff Doane, and “Becoming Calvin,” led by Fourth Acts and Randall Zachman, at 11:00 a.m.

A tour of Second Presbyterian Church, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Friday, March 28 at 10:15 a.m. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

NEXT Church, a movement “sparking imaginations, connecting congregations, and offering a distinctively Presbyterian witness to Jesus Christ,” is holding its 2014 gathering in Minneapolis March 31–April 2. To register, visit www.nextchurch.net.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Orpheus Choir will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Handbell ringers for the Handbell Choir; rehearsals on Sundays at 8:00 a.m.
Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; Monday evenings
Members to serve as ushers, 9:30 worship
Members to be Nursery caregivers at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Current Donation Needs
Men’s and women’s seasonal clothes

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

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 16–22, 2014

Sunday, March 16

	8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	Sanctuary
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to	12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	“Faith Formation” Workshop for Parents	Room 4G
	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	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m. and	12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	Bumpus Room
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Class	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	11:00 a.m.	ThirtiesForties: “Life in Focus”	Room 5D
	12:00 noon	New Member Brunch	Randolph Room
	12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Class	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
	1:00 p.m.	“Religion in Interfaith Homes”	Room 5G
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, March 17

7:30 a.m. to	9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tuesday</i>)	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to	3:30 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
	6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)	Gratz Center

Tuesday, March 18

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	Room 4C

Wednesday, March 19

6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups	Randolph Room
6:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer	Hospitality Suite

Friday, March 21

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Orpheus Choir	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Family Night	Borwell Dining Room

Saturday, March 22

7:30 a.m. to	12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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Worship on Sunday, March 23

8:00 a.m.	John W. Vest preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Adam H. Fronczek preaching
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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.