News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

A LIGHT IN THE CITY

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We will be recognizing, on Centennial Sunday, all those who have remembered Fourth Church in their will. If Fourth Church is included in your estate plans, please let Katy Bever know at kbever@ fourthchurch.org (312.981.3380) so that we can include your name in the May 18 bulletin as we celebrate legacy commitments to the future of this congregation.

Adam Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship, is at Knox Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati today for a meeting of that congregation. As noted in a letter emailed to the congregation this week and shared on the website (www.fourthchurch.org) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/ fourthchurch), Adam has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of Knox. His final Sunday at Fourth Church will be May 11, a day when we will have special receptions in his honor following 11:00 worship and prior to the 4:00 service. **In memory of John Boyle**, the Third Floor Conference Room in Parish House and a new bench to be placed in the Garth this spring will be dedicated in his honor during the 11:00 worship service next Sunday, April 6. A Counseling Center open house will follow the service.

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

Ice cream from Knox Presbyterian Church, video of Shannon Kershner's remarks to the Fourth Church

congregation, an invitation to those who like to run—these are some of the things you would have found on our page on Facebook this past week. If you haven't already, "like" Fourth Church (www. facebook.com/fourthchurch) to make sure you don't miss what we post this week!

Video of Pastor-Elect Shannon Kershner's remarks

at the congregational meeting at which she was elected, as well as introductions of her by the PNC, are available for viewing online at www.fourthchurch.org, where you can also read more about Shannon and link to the album of pictures from the meeting—all as we count the days until Shannon's first Sunday in our pulpit: May 18!



WORSHIP

Morning Prayer is held this week in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesday, April 1, when our time for weekday prayer will be the Blue Bows Interfaith Prayer Service at 9:00 a.m.

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth

in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

A new Presbyterian hymnal has been published, which we will begin using this summer. In addition to all the beloved and familiar traditional music, it includes new settings of more Psalms as well as world music and meditative music from the Taizé community. Watch for more information between now and then about the new hymnal.

A service in the style of Taizé will next be held on Friday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m.

LENT

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 calling Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by this Monday, March 31.

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. **Details about a Lenten art project** using materials from some of the already retired hymnals are available at the Fine Arts Council's table in Coffee Hour today.

To receive Lenten devotions by email, send email addresses to devotions@ fourthchurch.org. Devotions are also available online and in printed format.

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

Palm Sunday services will be held on Sunday, April 13 at 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday "Sharing the Faith" hosts are needed to guide members of the Islamic community through the 9:30 a.m. service on April 13. To volunteer, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Easter Brunch will be held on Sunday, April 20 at 12:45 p.m. There is a limited number of tickets, which are available at Coffee Hour.

ENRICHMENT

Randall Zachman will talk about "Becoming Calvin" today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G. Next Sunday Fourth Acts will present *Becoming Calvin* at 1:00 p.m.

Mitri Raheb will talk about his book *Faith in the Face of Empire* this Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Cornerstones will gather for a talk about the Lurie Garden this Friday, April 4 at 6:00 p.m. To register, call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, April 2.

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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CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Thank you to the Confirmation and Senior Highs youth for planning and leading the 9:30 and 11:00 services this morning.

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

The "Enriching Relationships" series for couples continues next Sunday, April 6 with the topic "Understanding Our Expectations" at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Voce Chamber Choir from Xavier High School will perform in concert this Monday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Chestnut Street Players will present a staged reading of Fibber McGee and Molly's *Spring Cleaning* this Thursday, April 3 at 1:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Pianist Svetlana Krasnova will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Choral Society welcomes new singers to rehearsal on Thursdays, starting April 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

FELLOWSHIP

Fourth for Bridge will meet this Saturday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today please tie a blue bow in the Commons as part of our Child Abuse Prevention Awareness efforts. The twine of bows will be used to cover the trees outside the church this week.

A Blue Bows Interfaith Prayer Service

and press conference will be held this Tuesday, April 1 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month, and afterwards volunteers will tie blue bows on our Michigan Avenue trees. To volunteer on April 1, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org.

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.

The Chicago Marathon lottery closes on Monday, April 7. If you are interested in running the marathon and raising funds for Chicago Lights at the same time, Chicago Lights is offering, through the generosity of an anonymous donor, to pay the marathon registration fee for those who are accepted in the marathon lottery and are willing to "run for Chicago Lights." For details, contact Kate Solis at ksolis@fourthchurch.org.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Members to serve as hosts and offer hot cider to worshipers prior to 9:30 and or 11:30 worship on Easter Sunday

- Aides for guests of the food pantry
- Beverage pourers for Sunday Night Supper, 3:30–6:30 p.m.
- Members to serve as Nursery caregivers at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Current Donation Needs Men's and women's seasonal clothes Nonperishable food items

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (Inicholson@fourthchurch.org).

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 30-APRIL 5, 2014

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Sunday, March 30		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Victoria G. Curtiss p	•
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 Senior Highs Youth l	
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School 0	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
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Confirmation Youth	
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School 0	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Edwin Estevez preac	hing Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, March 31		
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday)	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Gratz Center
7:30 p.m.	Voce Chamber Choir Concert	Sanctuary
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Tuesday, April 1		
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	The Loop
9:00 a.m.	Blue Bows Prayer Service and Press Conf	
10:30 a.m.	Blue Bows Tying on Michigan Avenue	(see announcement)
10:00 a.m.	Moms' Group	Room 4C
6:30 p.m.	Mitri Raheb: Faith in the Face of Empire	Anderson Hall
Wednesday, April 2		
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups	Randolph Room
6:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer Group	Hospitality Suite
Thursday, April 3		
1:00 p.m.	Chestnut Street Players Reading	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
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Friday, April 4		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Svetlana Krasnova	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Borwell Dining Room
Saturday, April 5		
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
7:30 p.m.	Fourth for Bridge	(see announcement)
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Worship on Sunday, April 6		

8:00 a.m. Hardy H. Kim preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek preaching 4:00 p.m. Adam H. Fronczek 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.