

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The 221st General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is underway, meeting June 14–21 in Detroit. Shannon Kershner, John Vest, and Joyce Shin will be attending. As part of today's proceedings, Joyce is receiving a 2014 Women of Faith Award, presented by the Presbyterian Mission Agency. You can follow the work of the General Assembly online at www.pcusa.org/ga221

The General Assembly of 1914 was hosted by Fourth Church in our Sanctuary, which had been dedicated barely a week prior. A 14-foot-long print of a photograph showing that year's almost 900 delegates is on display today just outside the Sanctuary's south transept doors to Anderson Hall and the Loggia.

Be sure to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see the latest photos, keep up-to-date on church news, and access resources. Congratulations to 2014 graduates, whom we recognize on this Baccalaureate Sunday!

Every adult who owns anything and cares about what happens to it, as well as anyone who wants to leave a bequest for the church, needs a will. For more information about planned giving, call Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380.

Construction on the Kennedy

Expressway at the Ohio/Ontario ramp will continue on June 21–22 and June 29–30. More information is available at www.fourthchurch.org/map

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

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: (@FourthChicago)

The online archive of "Prayers of the People"

offers a wonderful collection of prayers that you might consider praying your way through this summer. They represent just some of the many resources you will find by visiting www.fourthchurch.org or scanning this QR code with a smartphone. Be sure to bookmark this website and browse it regularly to keep connected to Fourth Church!



CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today's Youth Bake Sale of treats—including gluten-free options—prepared by Fourth Church youth and supporters, will be held during Coffee Hour following morning worship services. Funds raised will support the Senior High work camp trip to Haiti.

Summer Sunday School classes are held at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

A "Great Expectations" Baby Shower for anyone who has welcomed a child into their home in the past year will be held on Sunday, June 29 at 12:00 noon in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org) by Wednesday, June 25.

Vacation Bible School, which will explore Moses' journey through the wilderness, will be held for children in preschool through fifth grade the mornings of August 11–15. You can register online at www.fourthchurch.org/children/vbs.html or by contacting Liz Nickerson at lnickerson@ fourthchurch.org.

Save the date for Fall Family Camp: September 26–28, 2014.

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., Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Shannon Kershner will preach at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services for the remainder of June and July. She will also preach at occasional 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. services.

Contemplative Prayer Group is held on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Suite. All are invited to attend. For more information, call Vicky Curtiss at 312,981,3598.

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month, will next be held on Friday, June 27 in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk will take place on Saturday, June 21. Points earned and donations received will help support the outreach of the feeding programs of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center. Details are available at the Mission table during Coffee Hour.

Chicago Lights Tutoring program student and tutor alumni are invited to join an alumni network to be notified about Tutoring's fiftieth anniversary celebration this fall and to stay connected with fellow program participants. To join the network, visit http://bit.ly/TutoringAlum50

A microfinance mission trip to Colombia (September 21–26) is being offered by Fourth Church and Opportunity International. More information is available at Coffee Hour and by calling Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago Church office: 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014; 312.787.4570 Fax: 312.787.4584; www.facebook.com/fourthchurch Delivery of fresh produce through the Chicago Lights Urban Farm's Community Supported Agriculture program is available beginning June 28. For more information, contact Ben Jaffe at bjaffe@fourthchurch.org.

"Together Building a Just Economy" is the theme of this year's SCUPE Congress on Urban Ministry, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, June 23–26 at DePaul University. More information is available at scupe.org/ congress-on-urban-ministry or by calling Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets, which offer a way to give to those in need, are available at the Mission table at Coffee Hour or by contacting Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Soprano Natalie Mann and pianist Jeffrey Panko will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

"Birds of Longing: Memory and Exile," an exhibition of Laurie Wohl's artwork, is currently on display in the Loggia.

FELLOWSHIP

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by Dianne Blanco in memory of Jim Louis Blanco, beloved father and grandfather and a model to all on Father's Day. To sponsor Coffee Hour in honor or memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Young Adults will meet today for discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. They also gather for volleyball on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

ENRICHMENT

The Christian Century Study Group will meet for a screening of the film Double Indemnity on Thursday, June 19 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 4G. All are invited to attend. Those new to the group are asked to RSVP with Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

A Chicago Botanic Gardens excursion, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place this Friday, June 20. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312,981,3387.

Meditation and yoga are offered on Tuesday evenings at the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. Details and a schedule are online at www.fourthchurch.org/rc

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Summer Farm Camp helpers at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm; one afternoon a week, June 24–August 15

Volunteers to wash and dry clothing for a family with a chronically ill child

Dishwashers for Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–6:30 p.m., on rotation

Members to serve as Nursery caregivers on Sundays at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Aspiring gardeners to help at the
Urban Farm on Saturday afternoons
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Members to serve as ushers during the 9:30 a.m. service

Clothing sorters for the Social Service Center Share Shop on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday afternoons

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

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

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 15-21, 2014

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Worship on Sunday, June 22

8:00 a.m. Matt Helms preaching

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Shannon J. Kershner preaching

4:00 p.m. John W. Vest 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.