# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

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**Today is "Get Connected" Sunday.** All are invited to Anderson Hall and the Commons following worship for the annual "Get Connected" Coffee Hour to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities.

The Associates Board bake sale today during Coffee Hour benefits Chicago Lights, the community outreach arm of Fourth Church.

**Two years ago Tuesday,** September 16, 2012, we laid the Gratz Center cornerstone. Wednesday, September 17 will mark the 102nd anniversary of laying the cornerstone for the Sanctuary in 1912.

**Be sure to bookmark** the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the church calendar, information about upcoming events, an archive of sermons and prayers, photos, and more. Visit the Fourth Church page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch) for favorite quotes, photos, and programming information. If you have a Facebook account, be sure to "like" Fourth Church to keep up-to-date on the news.

Shannon Kershner will be installed as our Pastor next Sunday, September 21 during 11:00 a.m. worship. Brian Blount, President of Union Presbyterian Seminary, will return to Fourth Church to preach that morning, and we will have a celebratory reception for Shannon, Greg, Hannah, and Ryan following the 11:00 service.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday to submit nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board. Forms, which are available online and in the pew racks, can be completed and placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church by September 21.

# Today is the last day to personalize bookplates

to be included in our new *Glory to God* hymnals we will introduce in Advent. To sponsor hymnals in your name, your family's name, or the names of those you want to memorialize or honor, please fill out the form that is in the pew racks, at Coffee Hour, online at www.fourthchurch.org/ worship/hymnal.html, or contact Andrea Miller (312.640.2576).



#### Conversations with Shannon—

opportunities for small groups of Fourth Church members to get to know our new Pastor, Shannon Kershner, in informal conversational settings—will be held on Sundays, October 5 and 19 and November 2 and 9 at 12:30 p.m. at the church. To RSVP (required in advance), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

# Fourth Church is on Twitter:

(@FourthChicago).

# WORSHIP

#### An interfaith Blessing of the Animals

service will be held on Saturday, October 11 at 1:00 p.m. (weather permitting) in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

#### 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 Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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, September 26 in Buchanan Chapel. 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 GLOW, the annual Chicago Lights Associates Board fundraiser, on Saturday, November 8 at the Museum of Contemporary Art. Tickets are available at bit.ly/clglow2014 **Information about 2015 mission trips** is available at the Mission table during Coffee Hour.

**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 Borwell Dining Room: Tuesday, September 16; Wednesday, September 17; or Monday, September 22. RSVP at cltutoring2014.eventbrite.com

**The Benevolent Guild** gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

A Safe Families for Children orientation session for families interested in providing a temporary home for children in need will be held this Thursday, September 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 5F. More information is available at the Mission table during Coffee Hour.

#### A celebration of Tutoring's 50th

anniversary will take place on Saturday, September 27 between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. RSVP at www.bit.ly/ Tutoring50th. Tutors who were active with the program during the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s are asked to contact Alex Cornwell at 312.981.3565 (acornwell@fourthchurch. org) to be included in the celebration.

# ENRICHMENT

**Meditation** opportunities, offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held this Tuesday, September 16 at 6:30 (intro) and 7:00 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room.

*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 *Christian Century* **Study Groups** meet every other Wednesday, beginning September 17, at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A trip to Shipshewana, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Friday, September 26. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386 by this Wednesday, September 17.

New adult education opportunities begin Sunday, September 28: "World War I and the Twentieth-Century Crisis of Faith," led by Claudia Boatwright, at 9:30 a.m. and "Old Stories, New Dimensions: A Creative Writing and Biblical Storytelling Class," led by Layton Williams, at 11:00 a.m., both on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center.

#### MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Handbell Choir rehearsal is held on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft.

**Pianist Yana Reznik** will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The Choral Society** welcomes new singers to rehearsal on Thursdays, beginning October 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will be performing Schubert's *Mass in G* on Thursday, October 30.

#### CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School classes** are held today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

**Youth** in grades 6 through 12 gather today at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Tunes for Tots,** a time of singing and music for infants, young toddlers, and their parents, is held on Sundays from 9:00 to 9:20 a.m. in the Nursery.

The Cherub, Children's, and Youth Choirs rehearse today, with Youth Choir (grades 6–12) at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B; Cherub Choir (age 4–grade 1) at 10:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel; and Children's Choir (grades 2–5) at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

Fall Family Camp will be held at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, from Friday, September 26 to Sunday, September 28. A registration form is available online at www.fourthchurch. org/children/family-camp.html

# FELLOWSHIP

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

## **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

Current Volunteer Needs Audio recording operators for Sunday worship services Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring Volunteers to wash and dry clothes for a Fourth Church family with a chronically ill child Sunday Night Supper dining room helpers, 3:30–6:00 p.m.

Current Donation Needs Men's and women's sturdy fall clothes Travel-size toiletry items Nonperishable food items

A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available online at www.fourthchurch. org/mission/volunteer.html or by contacting Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

#### CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 14-20, 2014

Sunday, September 14				
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Reh		Buchanan Chapel	Choir Loft
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship		ching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Bake Sale Benefiting			Commons
9:00 a.m.	"Get Connected" Co	offee Hour	Commons/And	lerson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Gratz Center,	
9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots		Gratz Center,	
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Shannon J. Kersh		
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fo	
10:30 a.m.	"Get Connected" Co	offee Hour	Commons/And	
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer			one Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering			npus Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Shannon J. Kersh	ner preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	~	Gratz Center, Fo	
12:00 noon	"Get Connected" Co		Commons/And	
12:30 p.m.	Conversation with S		Rand	olph Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathe			Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Layton Williams	preaching	Sanctuary
Monday, September 15				
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tuesday)		Bucha	nan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday)		Gratz Center,	First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (als	o Wednesday–Frid	ay)	Sanctuary
Tuesday, September 16				
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Bucha	nan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Duchu	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring Orientation		Borwell Di	ning Room
6:30 p.m.	Intro to Meditation		Boyle Confer	
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7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk Benevolent Guild		Bucha	nan Chapel Room 5B
9:30 a.m.			Dand	
6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Groups Contemplative Prayer Meditation Group		Rand	olph Room
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Thursday, September 18				
10:00 a.m.	Moms' Group			Room 4C
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary	Choir Loft
6:00 p.m.	Safe Families for Ch	ildren		Room 5F
Friday, September 19				
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Y	ana Reznik	Bucha	nan Chapel
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Saturday, September 20	In antinone? Class		Р	
9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class		Bun	npus Room
Worship on Sunday, Septer	nber 21			

8:00 a.m.Joyce Shin preaching9:30 and 11:00 a.m.Brian Blount preaching4:00 p.m.Hardy H. Kim 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.