

September 28–October 4, 2014

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News and Opportunities

ANNUAL APPEAL 2015

“All In!” materials have been sent to member homes. Response cards for indicating your support of the mission and ministry of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights are enclosed in that mailing and are available in the pew racks; they also can be completed online. All are invited to please consider making a pledge to this 2015 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights on or before Commitment Sunday, October 26. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org or call Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board, which are available online and in the pew racks, can be completed and placed in the offering plate, dropped off at reception, or mailed by Monday, October 6.

This Friday and Saturday we are honored to host Chicago Sinai Congregation as they hold their community Yom Kippur services here in the Sanctuary as they have for several years.

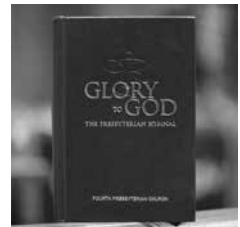
Did you see this week’s photos of church life? They’re posted at www.facebook.com/fourthchurch, along with quotes from prayers and devotions, and the latest news of upcoming events.

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

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

Come to a special sneak peek at our new hymnal,

Glory to God, next Sunday, October 5 at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. John Sherer will introduce us to the hymns new and old that make up the new hymnal, which we will begin using on the first Sunday of Advent. A repeat of this introduction will also be held on Sunday, November 2 as we prepare to sing our Advent glory to God!



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.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP

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

Cornerstones will gather for “An Evening with Shannon Kershner” this Friday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To register (required), call Carol Allerton 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, October 1.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Fall Family Camp is currently being held in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all the families participating in this fellowship and learning opportunity.

No Children’s, Cherub, or Youth Choir rehearsals are being held today. They will resume rehearsal next Sunday.

Fourth Church Rising and Senior Highs meet today at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. Elevation does not meet.

Elevation youth will meet for a lock-in Friday–Saturday, October 3–4 at Fourth Church. To register, contact Katie Patterson at kpatterson@fourthchurch.org.

ENRICHMENT

Two new adult education opportunities begin today: “World War I and the Twentieth-Century Crisis of Faith,” led by Claudia Boatright, 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.

Christian Century Study Groups will gather for discussion this Wednesday, October 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth for Bridge will meet this Saturday, October 4 at 7:30 p.m. at a member’s home. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

“**Working Well**,” a three-part series offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held on Thursdays, beginning October 9, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/rc or call the Replogle Center at 312.787.8425.

“**Faith in Focus**,” a ThirtiesForties series, will discuss “Evangelism” on Sunday, October 12 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F.

“**The Power of Holiness**,” a four-week Academy for Faith and Life class led by Tom Dozeman, will begin on Sunday, October 12 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

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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An excursion to the Frederik Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids, Michigan, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will be held on Friday, October 10. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386 by Monday, September 29.

David Brooks will be speaking at Fourth Church on Tuesday, October 21 at 5:30 p.m. Details and ticket information are available at www.chicagohumanities.org

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today's Volunteer Fair is being held during Coffee Hour following morning worship services. Stop by Anderson Hall to learn about opportunities to volunteer through Fourth Church.

A one-session orientation for new volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Tuesday, September 30 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. RSVP at cltutoring2014.eventbrite.com

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. On Thursday, October 2, Presbyterian Women will tie purple bows on the trees on Michigan Avenue, as they do annually, to bring attention to the issue of domestic violence. To volunteer, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

World Mission Sunday is next Sunday, October 5. All are invited to visit Coffee Hour that day to learn about Fourth Church mission partners and 2015 mission trips.

A Peacemaking Offering will be received next Sunday, World Communion Sunday, to support the work of the Cameroon America AIDS Alliance.

A screening of *Divided Families: Responding with Faith*, followed by a panel discussion about U.S. immigration policies, will be held on Thursday, October 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

The fifteen-member Chicago Lights' marathon team, which will be running the October 12 Bank of America Chicago Marathon, has raised more than \$15,000 for this community outreach arm of Fourth Church. To support their efforts, call Kate Solis at 312.981.3564.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Violinist Sara Su Jones will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert.

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.

Camerata Chicago and cellist Joshua Roman will perform works by Beethoven, Dvorak, and Rossini on Friday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Tickets are available at www.cameratachicago.org

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Audio recording operators for worship
In2it Cafe instructors for Chicago Lights

Tutoring; one evening a week

Experienced cooks for the Melting Pot
Cooking Club at the Urban Farm

Current Donation Needs

Men's and women's sturdy fall clothes
Travel-size toiletry items

A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 28–OCTOBER 4, 2014

Sunday, September 28

	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
	8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Layton Williams preaching	Sanctuary
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.		Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	“World War I and Faith”	Room 5D
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
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 Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	“Biblical Storytelling”	Room 5E
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, September 29

	7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tuesday</i>)	Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 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

Tuesday, September 30

	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
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Wednesday, October 1

	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Group	Randolph Room
	6:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer Meditation Group	Hospitality Suite

Thursday, October 2

	10:00 a.m.	Moms’ Group	Room 4C
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
	7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft

Friday, October 3

	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Sara Su Jones	Buchanan Chapel
	3:00 p.m.	Elevation Lock-in	Bumpus Room
	6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Borwell Dining Room

Saturday, October 4

	7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	7:30 p.m.	Fourth for Bridge	(<i>see announcement</i>)

Worship on Sunday, October 5

	8:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
	4:00 p.m.	Layton Williams 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.