## FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH A Light in the City

# News and Opportunities

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School classes** meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a. m. in the Gratz Center

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

There will be no Sunday School on Memorial Day Weekend (May 24) or Family Camp Weekend (May 31). Summer Sunday School (with classes meeting at 9:30 only) will begin on Sunday, June 7.

A year-end celebration of the end of regular Sunday School programming and in honor of John Vest's ministry will be held today in Anderson Hall following the 11:00 a.m. service.

**Today is the last day** to register for Family Camp, which will be held at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, from Friday, May 29 through Sunday, May 31. To register, go to bit.ly/familycamp0415 A "Great Expectations" baby shower for anyone who has welcomed a child into their home in the past year will take place on Sunday, June 14 at 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

A bake sale to support the Senior Highs and Chicago Lights Tutoring Students in their July 11–19 "Justice Journey" will be held on Sunday, June 21.

**Save the date for VBS**: August 10–14! Online registration will open June 1.

## FELLOWSHIP

**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).

## Christian Century Study Groups

will next meet this Wednesday, May 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

## Do you have plans to travel this summer?

We hope you'll stay connected with us while away: to see the latest Fourth Church news; thought-provoking quotes from sermons, prayers, and devotions; and photos of church life, "Like" the Fourth Church page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch). And why not tell a friend about Fourth Church by sharing one of our posts!



A Chicago "Search" Lights Scavenger Hunt, hosted by the Associates Board, will be held on Saturday, May 30 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. To register as an individual or as a four-person team, contact Kate Solis Silva at 312.981.3564 (ksolis@fourthchurch.org).

#### **Cornerstones and Fourth Dimension**

will meet on Friday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for "The Music and History of Bagpipes" with bagpipe performer George Sims. To register, contact Carol Allerton at callerton@ fourthchurch.org by Wednesday, June 3.

## WORSHIP

**Today an ecumenical prayer service** for Christian unity, cosponsored by Ecumenism Metro Chicago, will take place at 3:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel preceded by a reception at 2:00 p.m.

A service in the style of Taizé will next be held this Friday, May 22 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.

#### NEWS AND RESOURCES

As we give thanks today for the legacy given us by those who built this church, we remember that we too are caretakers of that legacy, charged with passing it on to those who follow. 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, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380. John Vest's final Sunday with us will be June 7. Please join us that day for a Coffee Hour reception to thank John and Anna for their ministry among us and wish them Godspeed as they prepare to move to Richmond, Virginia, where John will be Assistant Visiting Professor of Evangelism at Union Presbyterian Seminary.

A musical Encore, the second annual benefit for the Center for Life and Learning (CLL), a program offering classes and fellowship for those sixty and over, will be Saturday, June 20. For tickets, contact Ashley Elskus at aelskus@fourthchurch.org

Those graduating from eighth grade, high school, college, or a graduate or professional program in 2015 are asked to send their names to Shelley Donaldson (sdonaldson@fourthchurch. org) by Sunday, June 21 so that they can be included in the bulletin on Sunday, June 28, which is Baccalaureate Sunday.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs Servers for Monday night supper Ushers for the 11:00 a.m. service Book Nook attendants Members to serve refreshments at Coffee Hour Volunteers to wash and dry clothes for a family with a chronically ill child

Current Donation Needs Rolling carts, all sizes Clean blankets Men's and women's sturdy spring clothes

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

*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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#### **ENRICHMENT**

**"A Rabbinic View of Human Rights in Israel,"** led by Rabbi Arik Ascherman, will take place today at 9:30 a.m.in the Page Smith Room.

#### Academy for Faith and Life classes

continue today: "The Network Church," led by John Vest, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G, and "The Politics of Revelation," led by Claire Rothschild, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

**Chicago Sinai Congregation** (15 W. Delaware Pl.), in conjunction with the Downtown Islamic Center and Fourth Church, is hosting the interfaith dialogue "War and Peace in Our Scriptures" this Friday, May 22 at 6:15 p.m.

**Presbyterian Women** will gather for a "Good News" hour next Thursday, May 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**"Contemporary Art for Novices,"** a class offered through the CLL, will take place on Wednesdays, June 3–17 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. For more information, call Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

We remember today the First Presbyterian Church of Havana, Cuba, and our eighteen members who are worshiping with them this morning in a service at which Shannon Kershner is preaching. The Fourth Church mission trip participants return to the United States tomorrow after spending a week with our sister congregation.

**"The Snacks for Sacks" drive** continues to collect snack items and portable drinks for distribution through Fourth Church Meals Ministry. A list of needed items is at the Mission table during Coffee Hour.

Walkers are needed for the June 20 Hunger Walk, with credits raised supporting the Meals Ministry program. For details, contact Norman Clearfield at 312.981.3599.

**The Mission Committee** is hosting Betsy Storm's presentation of her book *Bright Lights of the Second City* today at 12:15 p.m. in Room 4G.

#### The Interfaith "Black Lives Matter"

Collaboration will be showing the film Selma followed by a dialogue led by Martin Marty on Sunday, May 31 at 2:00 p.m. at LaSalle Street Church (1136 N. LaSalle). To RSVP (required), contact Nancy Davis at ndavis@fourthchurch.org

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago Ave.) holds volunteer hours on Saturdays from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. A tour of the Farm for new volunteers is held each Saturday at 12:00 noon. For details, contact Stephanie Budd at 312.274.3801.

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

#### MUSIC AND THE ARTS

A mosaic workshop taught by instructors from the Chicago Mosaic School will take place today at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G.

Haydn's *Missa Brevis in B-flat* will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society and the Chicago Chamber Orchestra this Thursday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. A \$20 donation will be received at the door.

Harpist Kara Bershad will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

#### CALENDAR FOR MAY 17-23, 2015

Sunday, May 17		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Matt Helms preaching	g 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
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	"A Rabbinic View of Human Rights"	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	"The Network Church"	Room 5G
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		ratz Center, Fourth Floor
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	"The Politics of Revelation"	Room 5D
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Randolph Room
12:00 to 1:30 p.m.	Children/Youth Celebration	Anderson Hall
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
12:15 p.m.	Betsy Storm on Bright Lights	Room 4G
12:45 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Commons
1:00 p.m.	Mosaic Workshop	Room 5G
3:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Prayer Service	Buchanan Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Layton Williams prea	ching Sanctuary
Monday, May 18		
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tuesday)	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, May 19	Manaina Duana	Store Charal
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Intro to Meditation/Meditation	Stone Chapel
6:30 and 7:30 p.m.	Intro to Meditation/Meditation	Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, May 20		
7:30 to 11:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups	Randolph Room
Thursday, May 21		
7:30 p.m.	Choral Society Concert	Buchanan Chapel
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Friday, May 22		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall
6:15 p.m.	"War and Peace in Our Scriptures"	(see announcement)
7:30 p.m.	Taizé Service	Buchanan Chapel
Saturday, May 23		
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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#### Worship on Sunday, May 24

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

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$10. 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.