

October 4–10, 2015

**FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
A Light in the City

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Congratulations to Joyce Shin, who this past Sunday was called by Swarthmore Presbyterian Church to be their Pastor and Head of Staff. Please join us on Sunday, October 11—Joyce's last Sunday with us—as we gather at 12:30 p.m. for a reception thanking Joyce, Michael, and Sophia for her ministry among us and wish them Godspeed in this new call.

The tree at Michigan and Delaware was taken down this past week. A new tree will be planted in its place.

A congregational meeting has been called by Session for next Sunday, October 11 at 12:15 p.m. At that time the congregation will act to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Joyce Shin.

The easiest routes for getting to church on Marathon Sunday, October 11 can be found at www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf

Today we kick off Give. Grow. Become!—the 2016 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. Watch your mailbox in the coming weeks for an invitation to support the many ways in which this congregation daily lives out its call to love and serve through mission and ministry. Pledge cards are also available in the pew racks. For more information, call Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576.

WORSHIP

Beginning on Wednesday, October 14, Morning Prayer will be held once a week, on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

A “**Nourishing Body and Soul**” hosted labyrinth walk will be held in Buchanan Chapel on Saturday, October 10 at 9:30 a.m.

Walter Brueggemann will be our guest preacher on Reformation Sunday, October 25 at the 9:30 and 11:00 services.

Each of the photographs of church life

you see at www.facebook.com/fourthchurch is a snapshot of just one of the many things you make possible through your pledges and gifts.

It is your generous giving that brings our congregation to life in its mission and ministry, as together we all give, grow, and become!



FELLOWSHIP

Fourth Dimension will gather for the presentation “The Changing Role of Women in the Mosque,” led by Hind Makki, this Friday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To register (*required*), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by this Wednesday, October 7.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Chicago Lights Tutoring begins its fifty-first year this week! We look forward to welcoming back for a new school year the 400 students who will meet one-to-one with their tutors here at the church one evening a week. See www.fourthchurch.org/chicagolights to learn more.

The purple bows on the trees outside the Manse are our annual public witness, during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to all those affected by domestic abuse.

Today is World Mission Sunday. All are invited to visit Coffee Hour to learn about Fourth Church mission partners and 2016 mission trips to Mexico, Uganda and Tanzania, Cuba, and Northern Ireland.

A Peacemaking Offering, which supports ministries that further reconciliation, promote peace internationally—including support Syrian refugees—and address violence, will be received today.

A Fall Farm Festival will be held on Saturday, October 17 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago).

The Benevolent Guild, which gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create taggies and stuffed animals for hospitalized children, is looking for new members. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Save the date! The Chicago Lights Gala of Hope, co-chaired by Cynthia Joho and Elaine Scales, will be Friday, March 4, 2016 at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel. For details, contact Andrea Miller (amiller@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.2576).

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Fourth Church children and youth choirs rehearse today in Room 4G, with Cherub Choir at 9:00 a.m., Youth Choir at 9:45 a.m., and Children’s Choir at 10:30 a.m.

A pumpkin-decorating Family Night will be held on Friday, October 16 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. For details, call Matt Helms at 312.573.3362.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Violinist Emily Nash will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

A collection of watercolors by Syrian artist Etab Hrieb will be on display in the Loggia until Monday, November 30.

Mozart’s Requiem will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society with the Chicago Chamber Orchestra on Thursday, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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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A **music trip to Scotland** in summer 2016 will include a Fourth Church choir concert at St. Giles' Cathedral, where Calum MacLeod is Minister. Those interested in taking part in this tour are invited to contact John Sherer at jsherer@fourthchurch.org or attend an information session on Sunday, October 11 following the congregational meeting.

The **new pipe organ console** will be placed into the choir loft this week. Although it will not be useable for several more weeks, there will be opportunity to view the new console on Sundays at 12:15 p.m., beginning October 18.

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life classes meet today: "The Book of Job," led by Mark Eldred, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B and "Thinking Theologically," led by Carolyn Roncolato, at 12:15 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

"**The Complete Music Listener**," a class offered by the Center for Life and Learning, meets at 11:00 a.m. on Mondays, October 5–November 9. All sixty and over are invited. To register (*required*), contact Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386.

Christian Century Study Groups will gather for discussion this Wednesday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

"**Art of Architecture: Today's Black Architects**," with Carolyn Armenta Davis, will be offered by the Academy for Faith and Life on Sunday, October 11 at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Details are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/academy

ThirtiesForties' "Answering Big Questions in Good Company" series begins next Sunday, October 11 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D with discussion of the topic "Power."

Books by Women will meet on Tuesday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *The Midwife of Venice* by Roberta Rich.

Presbyterian Women's Horizons Bible study will meet on Wednesday, October 14 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

A Grief Support Group for those experiencing significant losses will meet on Mondays, October 19–November 23 from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. on the third floor of the Parish House. To register (*required*), call 312.787.8425.

Mass incarceration will be the topic of a series of book discussions hosted by the Multicultural Committee. The first will take place on Tuesday, October 20 at 5:30 p.m. Claudia Boatright will lead that conversation about Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow*.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one evening per week

Members to assist a child with special needs during 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery caregivers on Sundays

Assistants to help lead Junior High youth

Drummers for the Fourth Church Drumming Circle

Current Donation Needs

Clean blankets

Men's and women's seasonal clothing

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

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 4–10, 2015

Sunday, October 4

8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
8:00 a.m.	Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	“The Book of Job”	Room 5B
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 to 2:00 p.m.	“Thinking Theologically”	Borwell Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching Sanctuary

Monday, October 5

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	Buchanan Chapel
11:00 a.m.	“The Complete Music Listener”	Room 4G
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers’ Class	Room 4F

Tuesday, October 6

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
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Wednesday, October 7

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

Thursday, October 8

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, October 9

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Emily Nash	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Page Smith Room

Saturday, October 10

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Hosted Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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Worship on Sunday, October 11

8:00 a.m.	Joyce Shin preaching
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4:00 p.m.	Shelley Donaldson preaching