

November 8–14, 2015

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

At today's congregational meeting, which will be held in the Sanctuary following 11:00 a.m. worship, the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee will present, for congregational vote, their recommended candidate for Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry.

Matt Helms will be installed as Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry next Sunday, November 15 during the 11:00 a.m. service.

“See First” what is new at Fourth Church! At www.facebook.com/fourthchurch, click on the “Liked” button and then select “See First” from the drop-down menu. That will ensure that when you are on Facebook, news and photos from Fourth Church will be among the first things you see.

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WORSHIP

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Taking Communion to homebound members will be part of the Deacon ministry this Advent. If you know of Fourth Church members who would like to receive Communion, please call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Tunes for Tots for infants, young toddlers, and their parents meets today at 9:00 a.m. in the Nursery.

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

Choirs meet today in Room 4G at 9:00 a.m. (Cherub, age 4–grade 1), 9:45 a.m. (Youth), and 10:30 a.m. (Children's, grades 2–5).

Today is Commitment Sunday, a day when we dedicate our 2016 Annual Appeal pledges and celebrate all we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives. If you have not yet submitted your 2016 pledge to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights, response cards are available in the pew racks and can also be completed online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal



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

A **“Thanks and Giving” Family Night** will be held on Friday, November 20 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Seeds at Fourth, a weekly women’s Bible study that follows a lectionary-based curriculum, will meet today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F.

Two Academy for Faith and Life classes meet today: “Praying with Eyes Open” at 9:30 a.m. in Boyle Conference Room and “God in the Modern Wing” at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

The “Presbyterian Beliefs” Academy class will not meet this Sunday but will resume next Sunday, November 15 at 12:15 p.m. in Room 4G.

Books by Women will meet this Tuesday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *Mary Coin* by Marisa Silver.

Presbyterian Women’s Horizons Bible study will meet this Wednesday, November 11 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

A screening and discussion of a film from the *Consider the Conversation* series will be offered on Thursday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Boyle Conference Room as a continuation of the Replogle Center’s “Dying to Know” February 2015 midwinter conference. To register (*required*), visit bit.ly/film1115

“Living and Thriving with Dementia: Guidelines for Meaningful Communication and Connection” will be hosted by Stephen Ministry and led by Jeannine Forrest this Saturday, November 14 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 4G. To register (*required*), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448.

“The Inclusion Imperative: Answering the Call to Address Racism in the Church,” a workshop about how authentic inclusion is essential to tackling social issues, will be held Sunday, November 15 at 1:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. A light lunch is available for a small fee. To register, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org by 12:00 noon on Friday, November 13.

Ministry with Prisoners and Families will be the topic of discussion facilitated by Shannon Kershner as part of the mass incarceration book series on Tuesday, November 17 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 4F.

“To Pay Attention”: The Poetry of Mary Oliver, a class offered by the Center for Life and Learning (CLL), meets at 11:30 a.m. on Mondays, November 30 and December 7. All sixty and over are invited. To register, contact Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

A music trip to Scotland and England in summer 2016 will include a Fourth Church choir concert at St. Giles’ Cathedral, where Calum MacLeod is Minister. The registration deadline is Tuesday, November 17. Information is available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org

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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“From the Euphrates to Chicago,” a collection of watercolors by Syrian artist Etab Hrieb, is on display in the Loggia.

Pianist Thom Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

“A Chanticleer Christmas” concert will be held on Tuesday, December 1 and Wednesday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.cso.org

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Deadlines for 2016 mission trips are upcoming: for the January Mexico trip, November 16; for the February Uganda and Tanzania trip, December 15; and for the April Cuba trip, December 20. Details are available in the literature racks, and registration can be completed online at www.bit.ly/1e0JaWV

Items for Christmas Bags are being collected for guests of Meals Ministry’s Sunday Night Supper and the Elam Davies Social Service Center. A list of needed items is available at Coffee Hour and in the information racks.

The annual Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and Borwell Dining Room.

The Chicago Lights Gala of Hope will be Friday, March 4, 2016.

FELLOWSHIP

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

Fourth Dimension and the CLL will gather for “The ‘L’: Chicago’s Biggest Mover and Shaker” this Friday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To register (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org by this Wednesday, November 11.

Christian Century Study Groups will gather for discussion next Wednesday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Presbyterian Women will gather for a “Good News Fellowship” hour on Thursday, November 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 21 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

A Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 26 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets, which are required, are available at the reception desk on Sundays and during the week. For details, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Coffee Hour hosts

Workers to set up and take down the

Fair Trade Bazaar, December 4 and 6

Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring

Assistants to help lead Junior High youth

Current Donation Needs

Men’s and women’s winter clothing

Clean blankets

Rain Ponchos

For more opportunities or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 8–14, 2015

Sunday, November 8

8:00 a.m.	Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 and 10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots		Day School Classroom B
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 a.m.	“Praying with Eyes Open”		Boyle Conference Room
9:00 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Room 4G
9:30 a.m.	<i>Weekly Seeds</i> Bible Study		Room 5F
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Youth Choir		Room 4G
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering		Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Room 4G
11:00 a.m.	Sixth and Seventh Grade Gathering		Room 5G
11:00 a.m.	Confirmation Circles		Room 5A
11:00 a.m.	Senior Highs		Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	“God in the Modern Wing”		Borwell Dining Room
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Congregational Meeting		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults		Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Hardy H. Kim preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, November 9

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
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor

Tuesday, November 10

6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Bumpus Room
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Wednesday, November 11

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
12:00 p.m.	<i>Horizons</i> Bible Study		Room 4J

Thursday, November 12

6:30 p.m.	<i>Consider the Conversation</i> Screening		Boyle Conference Room
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Friday, November 13

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Thom Gouwens		Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	“The ‘L’: Chicago’s Biggest Mover and Shaker”		Page Smith Room

Saturday, November 14

8:30 a.m..	“Living and Thriving with Dementia”		Room 4G
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Worship on Sunday, November 15

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