

July 23–29, 2017

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

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Fourth Church is abuzz with activity this summer! The programs, opportunities, outreach, and services that more than fill our campus on summer weekdays—from Chicago Lights Summer Day to Urban Youth Mission to Meals Ministry Bag Lunches—depend on the generous summer giving of members and friends. Gifts can be placed in the offering plate or made online at www.bit.ly/FPCgiving. Thank you for your support!

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also online at www.bit.ly/fpcnominating. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. When completed, paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

Each Sunday you are with us, please take a moment to sign the pew information pad—whether you are a visitor or member, whether your contact information needs to be updated or is the same—so we might know you are with us.

Connection Corner during Coffee Hour helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church.

Inquirers' Class offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class—a prerequisite for membership—will next be offered on Sunday, August 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. Class attendees are encouraged to worship with us at 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. that day.

Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook to see photos of church life and keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news.



Needed: School Supply Donations and Volunteers!

Our annual School Supply Drive is underway! Organized by Women at Fourth, the drive collects back-to-school supplies for children taking part in our Chicago Lights Urban Farm, Tutoring, and Summer Day programs. For a list of materials and help needed, stop by Coffee Hour today, email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org), or visit www.fourthchurch.org

Worship

This Friday a service in the style of Taizé will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. This candlelit service offers a time to gather for song and silent meditation. Opportunity to walk the labyrinth is available in Anderson Hall beforehand between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available for walking this week on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. (See page 4 for times.)

Family worship bulletins are available from the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. ushers.

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship today.

Sacred Pause meditative silence is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to join staff in praying for all Fourth Church members and for those in need.

Jazz at Four outdoor worship will be held in the Michigan Avenue courtyard on Sundays, August 13 and September 3.

Children, Youth, and Family

Vacation Bible School—which this year will take us back to ancient Rome as we travel with the Apostle Paul—will be held the mornings of August 7–11. Register online at www.bit.ly/fpcvb17 by July 31.

Summer Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Outdoor Family Movie Nights conclude this Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m. on the Day School playground (or indoors in the Day School, in case of rain).

Youth and their families will go camping Labor Day weekend, September 1–3, at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. For details or to sign up (*space is limited*), go to www.bit.ly/youthcamping17

Our Day School preschool program has openings for the 2017–18 school year. For details, call Kathy Hager at 312.640.2579.

Youth who are entering eighth grade are invited to register for Confirmation, which begins in September. Sign up online at www.bit.ly/confirmationfpc

Those who will be in college this fall are invited to participate in a mission trip to Mexico December 26 to January 2 to build cisterns in Yucatan. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, August 31. Details and a registration form are posted online: www.bit.ly/fpcmexico17info

Fellowship

Young Adults will not have their weekly Sunday Gathering today, but it will resume next Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. On Mondays they play beach volleyball at Oak Street Beach at 6:30 p.m. This Thursday they will also gather for their monthly SpeakEasy time of fellowship, this month at Jack and Ginger's (2048 W. Armitage).

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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Women at Fourth will gather Thursday, July 27 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room for an ice cream social and to prepare backpacks for the School Supply Drive.

To sponsor **Coffee Hour** in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion, email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Enrichment

Men's Book Club will discuss *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry* by Neil de Grasse Tyson this Monday, July 24 at 7:30 a.m. in the Randolph Room.

Men's Bible Study next meets on Tuesday, August 1 in the Loop at 7:30 a.m. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Horizons Bible Study, a monthly Bible study for women, next meets Wednesday, August 9 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 5H.

Participants in our Spiritual Formation Pilgrimage to Iona are spending this week in Scotland. Please keep these travelers in your prayers.

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in the literature racks; and at facebook.com/fourthchurch, [Twitter \(@FourthChicago\)](https://twitter.com/FourthChicago), and www.fourthchurch.org

Mission and Outreach

Today fresh produce from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm is available for purchase during Coffee Hour. It is also available on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Farmstand (444 W. Chicago) and through the Community-Supported Agriculture program. For more information, visit www.bit.ly/clcsa2017

Knitting and Crocheting meets this Tuesday afternoon, July 25 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for a time of fellowship, to drop off items made for those in need, and to pick up materials.

Dance Showcases featuring students from Chicago Lights Dance Academy's summer program will be presented this Thursday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m. and Friday, July 28 at 12:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. All are invited to attend these free performances.

"Introduction to Systemic Racism," a one-day training opportunity on Saturday, September 23, will be held at Fourth Church and led by staff of Chicago Regional Organizing for Antiracism. Space is limited; register with Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

Music and the Arts

Music by the Fountain with Lucy Smith, our weekly Jazz at Four worship leader and vocalist, is this week's free Friday Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. outdoors in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Individually wrapped snack items for Meals Ministry bag lunches; drop off (labeled "Meals Ministry") at reception

Cooks to prepare meals for Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper, 2:00–6:00 p.m.

Liturgists to read scripture during Sunday 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. services and fourth-Friday Taizé services

To sign up or for information about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch at 312.981.3382 or rcrouch@fourthchurch.org

Calendar for July 23–29, 2017

Sunday, July 23

	8:00 a.m.	Worship	Matt Helms preaching	Sanctuary
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery		Nursery / Day School
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
10:30 a.m. and	12:15 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons		Stone Chapel
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Michigan Avenue Courtyard
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, July 24

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tues.</i>)		Buchanan Chapel
	7:30 a.m.	Men's Book Club		Randolph Room
	9:00 a.m.	Chicago Lights Summer Day (<i>also Tues.–Fri.</i>)		Fifth Floor
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper		Catholic Charities
	6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, July 25

	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause		Stone Chapel
	11:30 a.m.	CLL: Summer Film Series		Room 4G
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.		Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (<i>also Wed.–Thurs.</i>)		Anderson Hall
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.		Knitting and Crocheting		Room 4F

Wednesday, July 26

	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel

Thursday, July 27

	10:30 a.m.	Moms' Group		Room 4C
	5:30 p.m.	Women at Fourth		Bumpus Room
	6:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Dance Academy Showcase		Buchanan Chapel
	6:30 p.m.	Outdoor Family Movie Night		Day School Playground
	7:00 p.m.	Young Adults SpeakEasy		(<i>see announcement</i>)

Friday, July 28

	12:00 p.m.	Chicago Lights Dance Academy Showcase		Buchanan Chapel
	12:10 p.m.	Music by the Fountain: Lucy Smith	Michigan Avenue Courtyard	
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.		Hosted Labyrinth Walk		Anderson Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Taizé Service		Buchanan Chapel

Saturday, July 29

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.		Chicago Lights Urban Farm Farmstand		(444 E. Chicago Ave.)
12:00 to 3:00 p.m.		Volunteer Hours at the Urban Farm		Urban Farm

Worship on Sunday, July 30

	8:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching Communion
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching
	4:00 p.m.	Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching Jazz Communion

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.