

January 21–27, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

Chicago Lights

Making a Difference. Changing Lives.

One of the ways that we live out our call to be a light in the city is through the work of Fourth Church's nonprofit community outreach organization, **Chicago Lights**.

Through youth development and social services, Chicago Lights provides hope and opportunity to individuals facing the challenges of poverty. It is your support of this Fourth Church mission arm that makes this possible, through—

The Dance Academy as it promotes learning and creative self-expression through dance classes taught by professional artists for more than 1,000 students attending under-resourced and underperforming schools in Chicago.

The Elam Davies Social Service Center as it helps 1,800 individuals who are experiencing homelessness or who are in transition to gain self-sufficiency through case management, a food pantry, clothing assistance, referrals to other agencies, and outreach.

Summer Day as it reduces summer learning loss for 125 students who are at risk of struggling academically and engages them in academic and arts classes, outdoor recreation, field trips, and a dynamic final performance.

Tutoring as it matches more than 400 students living in under-resourced neighborhoods with caring adult tutors/mentors and provides those students with innovative educational and enrichment resources that promote long-term academic and social success.

The Urban Farm as it cultivates a thoughtful and engaged community of youth and adults through educational and economic opportunities, hands-on learning experiences, and access to fresh, local, and sustainably grown produce.



How can you support the ministry of Chicago Lights?

Stop by Coffee Hour today to learn more about the Chicago Lights programs! Make your reservations for the Gala of Hope, a fun-filled benefit at the Radisson Blu Aqua on Friday, March 2 that supports the work of this community outreach program. Participate in the Gala drawing or make a Gala of Hope contribution. Details are available during Coffee Hour and online at www.bit.ly/gala-2018

Worship

This Friday a candlelit Taizé service will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Prior to this contemplative time of meditative song, prayer, and silent reflection, there will be a labyrinth available in Anderson Hall for walking between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in booklets in the literature racks; and online at facebook.com/fourthchurch, Twitter (@FourthChicago), and fourthchurch.org

Sacred Pause meditation 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.

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

Enrichment

“Women of God’s Story” is the theme of our Women’s Retreat this Saturday, January 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Fourth Church. For details, email Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The “Path of Discipleship” Lenten series, with weekly presentations by the pastors on spiritual practices, begins Tuesday, February 20. Details are available in the literature racks; registration, which is due by February 6, can be completed online at www.bit.ly/fpcpod2018

“How the Constant Use of Technology Is Changing Us” will be the topic of a one-day conference hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Saturday, February 24 at Fourth Church. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

“Reading Paul with the Protestant Reformers,” taught by Stephen Chester, continues today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D.

“Protestant and Roman Catholic Perspectives on Luther’s *The Freedom of a Christian*” is a one-session class held today at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room and led by Robin Lovin and Susan Ross.

“Icons: Windows to the Divine,” a two-week class with Nanette Sawyer, begins Sunday, January 28 at 11:00 a.m. in 5D.

Men’s Book Club will discuss *Life 3.0* by Max Tegmark this Monday, January 22 at 7:30 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

Books by Women will discuss *Girl in Disguise* by Greer Macallister on Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Bumpus.

The January Series of one-hour lectures offered by Calvin College and shown via live video feed at Fourth Church, concludes January 21–23 at 11:30 a.m. in Page Smith: www.calvin.edu/january

“Jews and Christians: Common Stories, Unique Conversations,” a Center for Life and Learning class for adults sixty and over and taught by Susan Quaintance and Hyma Levin, begins Monday, January 22 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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Fellowship

Women at Fourth meet this Thursday, January 25 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. This month's topic will be "Women and Friendship."

Cornerstones, a group for those fifty and over, will gather on Friday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for dinner and a program on "Why Nearby Nature Matters: Brain, Body, and Community." Register (*required*) by next Wednesday, January 29 online at www.bit.ly/cfpc0218 or contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The Young Adults group has their weekly Sunday Gathering time of discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Their small group meets for discussion on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of a loved one or in recognition of a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org; 312.573.3369).

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

Children, Youth, and Family

Today our annual family ice skating outing takes place at 12:30 p.m. at Maggie Daley Skating Ribbon (337 E. Randolph).

Due today: registration for youth summer mission trips. Details and forms are online: www.bit.ly/youthtrips2018

"Our Whole Lives" orientation for parents of youth meets today at 10:30 a.m. in 5G.

Tunes for Tots, for parents and children up to two years old, meets Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Music and the Arts

The Fourth Church Handbell Choir will present a concert on Friday, February 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

An exhibition of art by members and friends is on display in the Loggia Gallery.

News and Resources

A new Grief Group begins Monday, February 5. To sign up (*required*), call the Replogle Center at 312.787.8425.

Volunteers/Donations Needed

Leaders for youth mission trips; deadline is today; details and a sign-up form are online at www.bit.ly/youthtrips2018

Individually packaged snack items for Meals Ministry guests

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

Mission and Outreach

Knitting and Crocheting meets this Tuesday, January 23 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for fellowship, to drop off items, and to pick up materials.

The Interfaith Coalition Against Racism, of which Fourth Church is a member, is offering "Confronting the Moral Crisis of Mass Incarceration" on Thursdays, January 25 to February 15 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Chrysostom's (1424 N. Dearborn; for details, visit saintc.org/justice).

To sign up for voter registration training stop by the Mission table at Coffee Hour or email ndavis@fourthchurch.org

Calendar for January 21–27, 2018

Sunday, January 21		Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	8:00 a.m.	Worship	Rocky Supinger preaching Sanctuary
9:00, 10:30 a.m.;	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
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 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School	Fourth Floor, Gratz Center
	9:30 a.m.	“Paul and the Protestant Reformers”	Room 5D
	10:30 a.m.	“Our Whole Lives” Parent Orientation	Room 5G
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.		Sanctuary Tour	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	Protestant and Roman Catholic Perspectives	Borwell Dining Room
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Groups	<i>(see announcement)</i>
	12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Randolph Room
	12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m.	Family Ice Skating	<i>(see announcement)</i>
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Room 5A
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz at Four	Alex Wirth preaching Sanctuary
Monday, January 22			
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	Parish House Dining Room
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool <i>(also Tues.–Fri.)</i>	Day School Classrooms
	11:30 a.m.	January Series <i>(also Tues. and Wed.)</i>	Page Smith Room
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring <i>(also Tues.–Thurs.)</i>	Fifth Floor, Gratz Center
	6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Small Group	Manse
Tuesday, January 23			
	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
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
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center	Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, January 24			
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
Thursday, January 25			
	5:30 p.m.	“Women and Friendship”	Bumpus Room
Friday, January 26			
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John Sherer, Organist	Sanctuary
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.		Hosted Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Service in the Style of Taizé	Buchanan Chapel
Saturday, January 27			
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	8:30 a.m.	Women’s Retreat	Anderson Hall

Worship on January 28		Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms preaching Communion	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Lucy Forster-Smith preaching	
	4:00 p.m.	Alex Wirth preaching Jazz Communion	
