

September 30–October 6, 2018

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## News and Resources

“Called to Be a Church Alive,” our 2019 Annual Appeal, is underway! Pledge cards are in the pew racks, and information has been mailed to members about the ways in which your pledges are vital to supporting the life-giving mission, ministry, and outreach efforts of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. Please plan to submit your pledge by Sunday, October 28, when we will celebrate what it means to be a loving, serving church alive!

Today is the last day to submit names of individuals—including yourself—for the Officer Nominating Committee to consider as 2019 candidates for Elder, Deacon, or Trustee. Recommendations can be made using the forms in the pew racks or online at [www.bit.ly/fpcnominating](http://www.bit.ly/fpcnominating)

**Directions and the easiest routes for** getting to church on Sunday, October 7 are at [www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf](http://www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf)

**Deacons at the Connection Corner** can help you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during Coffee Hour.

**Inquirers’ Class**, which offers opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian church history and beliefs, next meets Sunday, October 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. To register for this one-session class that is also a prerequisite for membership, visit [www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers](http://www.bit.ly/fpcinquirers)

**Individuals experiencing life challenges** can benefit from being paired with a Stephen Minister. For more information visit [www.fourthchurch.org/caring](http://www.fourthchurch.org/caring)

## Volunteers/Donations Needed

**Ushers** for the 8:00 a.m. service

**Book Nook** volunteers for the 12:00 p.m. Sunday Coffee Hour



### Looking to build community at Fourth Church?

Meet new people? Share your gifts with others? Grow in faith? Engage in learning and conversation? Explore new opportunities? Let us know your interests and gifts by filling out a profile during Coffee Hour or available online at [www.fourthchurch.org/login](http://www.fourthchurch.org/login) and we'll help you identify ways to get connected or reconnected!

Our “5,000 Snacks by October 1” drive for Meals Ministry bag lunches is still in need of granola bars, chips, pretzels, and fruit cups; donations can be dropped at or shipped to the church reception desk (“Attn: Meals Ministry”)

*To sign up or to learn about other volunteer opportunities, stop by Coffee Hour today or contact Robert Crouch (312.981.3382)*

## Fellowship

**Coffee Hour** today is sponsored by Claudia Winkler in honor of her twenty-four years of service as an usher. To sponsor Coffee Hour, contact Anne Ellis (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**Cornerstones**—a group for those fifty and older—meets this Friday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for a dinner and program on “The New Old Post Office” by Les Ventsch. Register online by Wednesday, October 3 at [www.bit.ly/cfpc1018](http://www.bit.ly/cfpc1018)

**Movie Club** will meet Tuesday, October 9 to watch the comedy classic *Young Frankenstein* in 4F at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dessert to share.

## Worship

**Daily devotions** written by members and staff are available via email (sign up at [www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions](http://www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions)); at [facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org); and in booklets in the literature racks.

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

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

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

**This Saturday’s Blessing of the Animals** service will take at 10:00 a.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard (or, in the event of rain, in Buchanan Chapel). Bring your pet (on a leash or in a carrier) or their photo.

**Brian Ellison**, Executive Director of the Covenant Network, will be our guest preacher next Sunday, October 7 at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

**World Communion Sunday** is next Sunday, a day when worshipers around the world gather for the Lord’s Supper. We will celebrate Communion at all four worship services that day.

**The next candlelit Taizé service** will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel on Friday, October 26.

## Enrichment

**Two adult education classes meet today.** “Genesis” meets at 9:30 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room, while “Just and Unjust Wars” meets at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5E.

**Today Strength for the Struggle: Insights from the Civil Rights Movement and Urban Ministry** with author Joseph Ellwanger is the 1:00 p.m. presentation hosted by the Racial Equity Council in Borwell Dining Room.

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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**Men's Bible Study** will meet at 7:30 a.m. this Tuesday, October 2 in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

**New adult education classes** will begin in October. "Care of Creation" begins October 7 at 9:30 a.m.; "The Impact of Gun Violence" begins October 14 at 11:00 a.m.; and "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About the Bible" begins October 21 at 9:30 a.m. For course descriptions visit [www.fourthchurch.org/academy](http://www.fourthchurch.org/academy)

**Books by Women** will meet next Tuesday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *The Door* by Magna Szabo.

**A men's discussion group** on "How God Speaks to Us through Scripture," led by Tom Forster-Smith, will begin October 12. Register (*required*) with Anne Ellis (312.573.3369).

**Horizon's women's Bible study** will meet Wednesday, October 10 at 12:00 p.m. in 5H.

**Men's Breakfast** will meet on Saturday October 13 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 4E.

## Children, Youth, and Family

**Sunday School** meets at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor.

**Youth programming meets today**, with Junior High (grades 6–8) at 9:30 a.m. in Bumpus; all youth at 10:30 a.m. in Allison Library; and Senior High in Bumpus and Confirmation in Room 4G at 11:00 a.m.

**The Day School** will offer complimentary introductory classes for the weekly "Together We Play" toddler-and-parent class on October 2 and 9. Contact Josie Phelps ([jphelps@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jphelps@fourthchurch.org)).

**Tunes for Tots** meets today in the Nursery at 9:00 a.m. They next meet Sunday, October 14.

## Mission and Outreach

**Produce from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm** is available today at Coffee Hour.

**The Benevolent Guild** gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create gifts for hospitalized children.

**An Interfaith Immigrant Justice Vigil** will take place this Tuesday, October 2 at 5:15 p.m. in the courtyard. For details call Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598).

**Purple bows will be tied on the trees** outside the church on Michigan Avenue at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 5 in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness month. Contact Anne Ellis if you would like to help ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**A Peace and Global Witness Offering**, which supports efforts toward peacemaking in our denomination as well as local efforts to address violence in Chicago through CureViolence, will be received next Sunday, World Communion Sunday.

**Chicago Lights Tutoring** begins its fifty-fourth year this week. We look forward to welcoming back for a new school year the 440 students who will meet one-to-one with their tutors here at the church one evening a week. New tutors are still needed. For details, contact Meg Sutter ([msutter@fourthchurch.org](mailto:msutter@fourthchurch.org))

## Music and the Arts

**This week's Free Friday Noonday concert** is presented by Wind Energy with Michele McGovern on flute in Buchanan Chapel.

## Calendar for September 30—August 6, 2018

<b>Sunday, September 30</b>			<b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Matt Helms preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel	Choir Loft
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots			Nursery
9:00/10:00/10:30 a.m.		Cherub/Youth/Children's Choir Rehearsals			Room 4F
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
<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m.</b>		<b>Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 a.m.	"Genesis"		Borwell Dining	Room
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School		Fourth Floor,	Gratz Center
	9:30 a.m.	Parents' TED Talks			Loft
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.		Youth Groups		<i>(see announcement)</i>	
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons		Stone Chapel	
	11:00 a.m.	"Just and Unjust Wars"			Room 5E
	12:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Tour			Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour			Sanctuary
	12:15 p.m.	Ellwanger Lunch		Borwell Dining	Room
	1:00 p.m.	<i>Strength for the Struggle</i> Book Presentation		Borwell Dining	Room
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz at Four</b>	<b>Nannette Sawyer preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper			Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, October 1</b>					
	9:00 a.m.	Day School Preschool <i>(also Tues.–Fri.)</i>		Day School	Classrooms
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper			<i>Catholic Charities</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Tutoring <i>(also Tues.–Fri.)</i>		Fifth Floor,	Gratz Center
<b>Tuesday, October 2</b>					
	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	
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation with Replogle Center		Boyle Conference	Room
<b>Wednesday, October 3</b>					
	7:00 a.m.	Men's Discussion Group			Room 5A
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>		<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild			Room 5B
	7:00 p.m.	Exploring Self-Compassion		Boyl Conference	Room
<b>Thursday, October 4</b>					
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal			Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel	
<b>Friday, October 5</b>					
	12:00 p.m.	Purple Bow Tying		Michigan Avenue	
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Wind Energy		Buchanan Chapel	
	6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones		Borwell Dining	Room
<b>Saturday, October 6</b>					
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Blessing of the Animals</b>		<b>Michigan Avenue</b>	<b>Courtyard</b>

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<b>Worship on October 7</b>			<b>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms   Communion			
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Brian Ellison preaching   Communion			
	4:00 p.m.	Joseph L. Morrow preaching   Jazz Communion			

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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.