

September 22–28, 2013

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today we kick off “Living Stones: We Are the Church Together,” the 2014 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. Watch your mailbox in the coming days for an invitation to support the many ways in which this congregation daily lives out its call to be a vibrant, alive church in the city. For more information, contact Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380 (kbever@fourthchurch.org).

This week we celebrated the 101st anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of this Sanctuary on September 17, 1912. That stone, carved with 1912, can be seen outside on the northeast corner of the church. We also celebrated the first anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the Gratz Center. That stone can be seen at the base of the stairs at the Delaware entrance to Gratz. Photos of both ceremonies are posted at www.facebook.com/fourthchurch.

Be sure to “like” Fourth Church on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch) to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on church news, and access resources, including excerpts from sermons and prayers.

The September update from the PNC is posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc. As noted there, the Pastor Nominating Committee is currently in conversation with a select group of candidates.

The first class of Stephen Ministers will begin fifty hours of training on October 9. Those interested in becoming a Stephen Minister are encouraged to complete an application by this week. Information is available online at www.fourthchurch.org or by calling Judy Watt at 312.573.3360.

An interfaith Blessing of the Animals service will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

Have you made your officer recommendations yet?

If not, the Nominating Committee asks that you please do so by September 30 to help them with their task of compiling a slate of elders, deacons, trustees, and Chicago Lights Board members to present at the Annual Meeting next February. You can submit your recommendations using the form online at www.fourthchurch.org or use the print form in pew racks.



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WORSHIP

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is typically available on Mondays and Tuesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held on the fourth Friday of the month, will next be held this Friday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

September is Hunger Action Month. For information about alleviating hunger, stop by the Mission table at Coffee Hour.

FELLOWSHIP

To sponsor Coffee Hour, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org.

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

Knitters and Crocheters, which meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month, will next gather this Tuesday, September 24 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 4F.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Organist John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 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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The Choral Society welcomes new singers to rehearsal on Thursdays, beginning September 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will perform Francis Poulenc's *Gloria* on November 8.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Today's Time and Talent Volunteer Fair is being held during Coffee Hour following morning worship services. Stop by Anderson Hall and the Commons to learn about opportunities to volunteer through Fourth Church.

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one evening a week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity volunteers for a work day on Saturday, October 5, 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Computer lab instructor for the Tutoring program, one evening a week, starting September 30, 5:25–5:55 p.m.

Greeters and attendants for the Covenant Network Conference at Fourth Church, Oct. 31–Nov. 2

Doctors, nurses, and pharmacists to provide medical information prior to Sunday Night Supper, 3:45–5:00 p.m.

Experienced website developer to help an AIDS agency improve their website

Current Donation Needs

Men's and women's seasonal clothes

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

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes are held today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Youth in grades 6–12 gather on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

The Cherub, Children's, and Youth Choirs rehearse on Sundays, with Youth Choir (grades 6–12) at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B, Cherub Choir (age 4–grade 1) at 10:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel, and Children's Choir (grades 2–5) at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5B.

A Moms' Group meets on the first and fourth Sundays of the month, starting today, at 9:15 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

Today is the last day to register for Fall Family Camp, which will be held next weekend. Registration forms are available on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center and at www.fourthchurch.org.

ENRICHMENT

Two opportunities to learn about Syria are being offered this week and next. "Syria: Conditions and Dislocated Residents and Refugees" will be held this Wednesday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 4G. The Cornerstones program "Providing Medical Assistance to Victims of the Syrian Conflict," presented by Zaher Sahloul, will take place on Friday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. To register for this event (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by Wednesday, October 2.

Four new Academy for Faith and Life classes begin next Sunday, September 29: "An Introduction to the Bible," led by Kenneth Vaux at 9:30 a.m.; "Immigration and Our Journey of Faith," led by Edwin Estevez at 9:30 a.m.; "New Paths: Christians Engaging Israel," led by Robert Cathey and Esther Menn at 11:00 a.m.; and "Forgiveness," led by Vicky Curtiss at 11:00 a.m. To register, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

The CLL Literature and the Arts class will be held on Mondays, starting September 23, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G. The class will be led by Daniel Bosch, a published poet and essayist and winner of the Presidential Scholars Teacher Recognition Award in 2011. For details, adults sixty and more are invited to call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

Men's Bible Study, which meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, will next gather on Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop.

Christian Century Study Groups meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

Craig Barnes, who preached at Fourth Church in June and is President of Princeton Theological Seminary, will be speaking on "Humility and Expectation" at the Christian Century's annual lecture. For registration details about the lecture, which will be held at the Arts Club on Thursday, October 3, contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 (event@christiancentury.org).

Fourth for Bridge will meet on Saturday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

"EcoPeace with Friends of the Earth Middle East," a free Michigan Avenue Forum about interfaith transboundary environmental efforts in the Middle East, will be held on Monday, October 7.

"Introduction to SoulCollage," a seminar led by Vicky Curtiss, will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room of Parish House. To register (required), call the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 22–28, 2013

Sunday, September 22

	8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:15 a.m.	Moms' Group	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
	10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Commons
	10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	12:15 p.m.	Volunteer Fair	Commons
	12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
	4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Courtyard
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, September 23

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tuesday</i>)	Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.		Center for Life and Learning Classes (<i>also Tuesday–Friday</i>)	
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.		Day School (<i>also Tuesday–Friday</i>)	Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>also Wednesday–Friday</i>)	Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m.	Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities

Tuesday, September 24

9:00 a.m.		Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.		Moms' Group	Fourth Floor Lounge
5:00 p.m.		Knitters and Crocheters	Room 4F

Wednesday, September 25

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
	7:00 p.m.	"Syria: Conditions and Dislocated Residents"	Room 4G

Thursday, September 26

6:00 p.m.		Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
7:00 p.m.		Choral Society Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, September 27

12:10 p.m.		Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
	7:30 p.m.	Taizé Service	Buchanan Chapel

Saturday, September 28

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon		Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
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Worship on Sunday, September 29

8:00 a.m.		Hardy H. Kim preaching	
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Joyce Shin preaching	
4:00 p.m.		Adam H. Fronczek preaching	

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. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$6 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.