

January 11–17, 2015

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# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

The Session has called a congregational meeting for today following the 11:00 a.m. service. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee responsible for recommending a candidate to serve as Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry. Matt Helms, who is currently serving as Minister for Children and Families, will be among the candidates considered by the committee to fill this new Associate Pastor position.

Visit the **Fourth Church page on Facebook** ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://facebook.com/fourthchurch)) for worship and church life information. If you have a Facebook account, “like” Fourth Church to keep up-to-date on news and photos.

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## WORSHIP

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday and Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

A hosted labyrinth walk will be held this Saturday, January 17 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

### Scaffolding was erected in the South Balcony

this week and will remain there through late March. As part of the organ rebuilding project, some of the west wall of that balcony will be opened to the chamber behind to make it easier to hear the pipes that will be there. The lower six ceiling panels will be removed, preserved, and replaced with replicas through which sound can travel. For details, see [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)



A service in the style of Taizé, which is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of most months, will next be held on Friday, January 23 in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Soprano Sarah van der Ploeg** will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The St. Olaf Choir** will be in concert on Saturday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at [bit.ly/1Hh3enl](http://bit.ly/1Hh3enl)

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**The Benevolent Guild**, which gathers to create stuffed animals and taggies for hospitalized children, meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B.

**The Mission Committee** invites you to two Martin Luther King Jr. Day public gatherings: "It's Still Time for a Freedom Party," sponsored by Reclaim Chicago, on Saturday, January 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Grand Ballroom (6351 S. Cottage Grove) will address economic and racial justice. RSVP at [reclaimchicago.org](http://reclaimchicago.org). "Faith in Action Assembly," sponsored by Community Renewal Society, on Monday, January 19 at 10:00 a.m. at Liberty Baptist Church (4849 S. Martin Luther King Dr.) will address employment, affordable housing, and violence reduction. RSVP with Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598 ([vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org](mailto:vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org)).

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets** are available for purchase at the Mission table during Coffee Hour or by contacting Nancy Davis at [ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)

**Applications for 2015 mission trips** Cuba (May 11–18), "Racial Reconciliation" (May 2–9), and Guatemala (July 12–19) are due February 8, February 15, and April 11, respectively. Application information is available in the literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html)

**Angels on Call** is a volunteer opportunity offering home-cooked meals to Fourth Church families who have recently welcomed a baby or who are recovering from surgery. To learn more about Angels on Call and how to help, contact Judy Watt at 312.573.3360 ([jwatt@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jwatt@fourthchurch.org)).

**Save the date for Gala of Hope**, to support Chicago Lights and the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being: Friday, March 6. Watch for details, including ticket information, in the weeks ahead.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School** classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

**Youth** (grades 6–12) gather today at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**"Mindful Parenting,"** a monthly series for parents that is led by Sue Schemper, will take place today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

**A Children and Youth Chili Cook-off** will be held today at 12:45 p.m. 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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A new **Moms' Group** will meet on the second Wednesday of the month, beginning January 14, at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home in Lincoln Park. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at [lnickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:lnickerson@fourthchurch.org)

A **"Parenting in Faith"** opportunity for parents to connect as a community through casual conversation and fellowship will be held next Sunday, January 18 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

**Family Ice Skating** at Lincoln Park Zoo will be held next Sunday, January 18 at 12:30 p.m. For more information, contact Matt Helms at 312.573.3362 ([mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)).

## FELLOWSHIP

To sponsor **Coffee Hour** in honor or memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**ThirtiesForties' "Faith in Focus"** series continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F with discussion of faith perspectives on discipline.

**Young Adults** will gather today to discuss leadership at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

## ENRICHMENT

**Books by Women** will discuss *When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times* by Pema Chodron this Tuesday, January 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A **meditation session and labyrinth walk**, offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held this Tuesday, January 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

**"Fifteen Days of Free Liberal Arts Education"** describes the January Series of lectures offered by Calvin College and shown via live Internet video feed in the Page Smith Room on weekdays through January 27, with "iGods: How Technology Shapes our Spiritual and Social Lives" on January 12; "Kinderlager: Reflections of a Child Holocaust Survivor" on January 13; "CEO of the City" with Richard M. Daley on January 14; "When the People Speak: Deliberate Democracy" on January 15; and "On the Streets of Tehran" on January 16. For more information about the series and speakers, visit [www.calvin.edu/january](http://www.calvin.edu/january)

A **trip to the Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture**, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Friday, January 23. Adults sixty and more are invited to register (required) with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386 by Wednesday, January 14.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

*Current Volunteer Needs*

**Audio recording operators** for Sunday morning worship

**Church members to serve** as Nursery caregivers during morning worship

**Tutors** for Chicago Lights Tutoring; one evening a week, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

**Volunteers to wash and dry clothes** for a Fourth Church family with a chronically ill child

*Current Donation Needs*

**Clean blankets**

**Men's and women's sturdy winter clothes**  
**Individually wrapped and nonperishable food items**

*A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available online at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html)*

**CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 11–17, 2015**

**Sunday, January 11**

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.		Nursery		Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots		Gratz Center, First Floor
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 a.m.	“Parenting in Faith”		Room 4G
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering		Bumpus Room
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	11:00 a.m.	ThirtiesForties: “Faith in Focus”		Room 5F
	<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
	12:00 noon	Games for Children		Borwell Dining Room
	12:30 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Commons
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		Room 5A
	12:45 p.m.	Children and Youth Chili Cook-off		Borwell Dining Room
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Layton Williams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

**Monday, January 12**

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
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>also Wednesday–Friday</i> )		Stone Chapel
	11:30 a.m.	Calvin College’s January Series		Page Smith Room
		<i>(also Tuesday–Friday)</i>		
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.		Tutoring ( <i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i> )		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor

**Tuesday, January 13**

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Bumpus Room
7:00 p.m.	Meditation and Labyrinth Walk	Boyle Conference Room

**Wednesday, January 14**

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B

**Friday, January 16**

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Sarah van der Ploeg	Buchanan Chapel
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**Worship on Sunday, January 18**

8:00 a.m.	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.	John W. Vest preaching

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$10. 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 on Sundays only at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and only for three hours in that period. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.