

May 10–16, 2015

**FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
A Light in the City

News and Opportunities

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The last Sunday School session of the school year will be next Sunday, May 17. There will be no Sunday School on May 24 or May 31. Summer Sunday School (with classes meeting at 9:30 only) will begin on Sunday, June 7.

Children, youth, and family festivities in celebration of the end of regular Sunday School programming and in honor of John Vest's ministry will be held next Sunday, May 17 following the 11:00 a.m. service. There will be food on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center as well as a barbecue in the Michigan Avenue courtyard, weather permitting.

Spring Family Camp will be held at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, from Friday, May 29 through Sunday, May 31. Registration forms, which are due next Sunday, May 17, can be found online at bit.ly/familycamp0415

Save the date for VBS: August 10–14!
Online registration will open June 1.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar; details about upcoming events; archives of prayers and sermons; devotions; and more!

MISSION AND OUTREACH

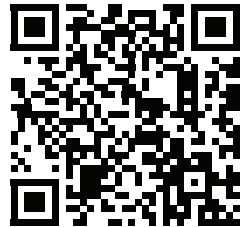
Participants in the Cuba Mission Trip depart today. These eighteen individuals will spend a week at our sister congregation, First Presbyterian Church in Havana, Cuba, celebrating the new diplomatic relationship between our countries. Shannon Kershner will later join the group to preach at First Presbyterian Church on May 17. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Did you miss this on Facebook this week:

A glimpse of three trees from the children's musical?

Photos of a special visit to Chicago Lights Tutoring and the Day School by a wonderful Sit Stay Read dog?

An invitation to sign up for summer salad shares from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm? Check out www.facebook.com/fourthchurch to make sure you don't miss this week's posts!



Snack items and portable drinks for distribution through Fourth Church Meals Ministry are being collected during May. The program uses approximately 600 snack items and 250 drinks per week. A list of needed items is at the Mission table during Coffee Hour.

A Plant Sale and Art Show will be held this Saturday, May 16 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago). Seedlings will be available for purchase, and artwork by students in the Farm's Identity Arts program will be on display.

The gardening workshop "Using Your Space Wisely"—about gardening in small spaces—will be held this Saturday, May 16 at 1:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm. RSVP to Stephanie Budd at 312.274.3801.

The Mission Committee is hosting Betsy Storm's presentation of her book *Bright Lights of the Second City* next Sunday, May 17 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 4G.

FELLOWSHIP

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

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by Marion and Irene Gerrans in honor of their mother, Ruth Gerrans, and all mothers this Mother's Day. To sponsor Coffee Hour in honor or memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

The "Dying to Know" Book Group, a follow-up to the Replogle Center's Midwinter conference, will discuss *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande this Monday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

Books by Women will discuss *The Traitor's Wife* by Allison Pataki, who will join the discussion via FaceTime®, this Tuesday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

A musical Encore, the second annual benefit for the Center for Life and Learning, a program offering classes and fellowship for those sixty and over, will be Saturday, June 20. For tickets, contact Ashley Elskus at aelskus@fourthchurch.org

WORSHIP

Morning Prayer will be held at 9:30 a.m. (except on Tuesday, when it will be at 9:00 a.m.) in Stone Chapel (Monday through Thursday) and in Buchanan Chapel (Friday).

An ecumenical prayer service for Christian unity, cosponsored by Ecumenism Metro Chicago, will take place next Sunday, May 17 at 2:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. John Armstrong, president of ACT 3, will be preaching. To register, visit www.archchicago.org.

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life classes continue today: "The Network Church," led by John Vest, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G, and "The Politics of Revelation," led by Claire Rothschild, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D.

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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“A Rabbinic View of Human Rights in Israel,” led by Rabbi Arik Ascherman, will take place next Sunday, May 17 at 9:30 a.m. Rabbi Ascherman, president of Rabbis for Human Rights in Israel, will discuss advocacy and peacemaking in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The Men’s Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, May 12 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

A **“shaman journey,”** led by shaman, healer, and artist Chris Pateros, will take place this Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

Presbyterian Women’s Horizons Bible study will meet this Wednesday, May 13 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

Premarital Saturday Seminars offer couples opportunity to learn and practice skills necessary to building a healthy marital relationship. This one-session class, which will meet this Saturday, May 16 in Boyle Conference Room, is also a prerequisite for marriage at Fourth Presbyterian Church. To register, call 312.787.8425.

A **SoulCollage® seminar** will be held next Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. For details or to register (required), call the Replogle Center at 312.787.8425.

Presbyterian Women will gather for a “Good News” hour on Thursday, May 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room, where they will share fellowship and assemble hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Donations for the hygiene kits can be dropped off today during Coffee Hour.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Cellist Nancy Steltmann and pianist Helen Lukan will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

The Fourth Church Choral Society and the Chicago Chamber Orchestra will perform Haydn’s *Missa Brevis in B-flat* on Thursday, May 21 in Buchanan Chapel. A \$20 donation will be collected at the door.

Art by the Center for Life and Learning artists is on display on the fifth floor of the Gratz Center until Friday, June 26.

A **mosaic workshop** taught by instructors from the Chicago Mosaic School will take place next Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G. To sign up, contact Rob Koon at rkoon@fourthchurch.org by this Friday, May 15. Italian mosaic artist Verdiano Marzi’s “Dal Sogno all’Opus Veritas” is currently on exhibit in the Loggia.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Aspiring gardeners to help at the Urban Farm, Saturdays, 12:00 noon–3:00 p.m.

Book Nook attendants

Servers for Monday night supper

Members to serve refreshments during Coffee Hour

Church members to serve as Nursery caregivers during morning worship

Cooks to prepare and serve breakfast at Lincoln Park Community Shelter

Current Donation Needs

Rolling carts, all sizes

Clean blankets

Men’s and women’s sturdy spring clothes

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

CALENDAR FOR MAY 10–16, 2015

Sunday, May 10

8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Gratz Center, First Floor
9:00 a.m..	Tunes for Tots		Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	“The Network Church”		Room 5G
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering		Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	“Faith in Focus”		Room 5F
11:00 a.m.	“The Politics of Revelation”		Room 5D
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		Room 5A
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.	Conversation with Shannon		Manse, First Floor
12:45 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, May 11

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (<i>also Tuesday</i>)	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>also Wednesday–Thursday</i>)	Stone Chapel
6:00 to 8:30 p.m.	“Dying to Know” Book Group	Boyle Conference Room

Tuesday, May 12

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	(<i>see announcement</i>)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Books by Women	Bumpus Room
7:00 to 8:45 p.m.	Shaman Journey	Boyle Conference Room

Wednesday, May 13

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
12:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study	Room 4J

Thursday, May 14

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
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Friday, May 15

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert	Buchanan Chapel

Saturday, May 16

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Premarital Seminar	Boyle Conference Room
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Plant Sale and Art Show	(<i>see announcement</i>)
1:00 p.m.	“Using Your Space Wisely”	(<i>see announcement</i>)

Worship on Sunday, May 17

8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Joyce Shin preaching
4:00 p.m.	Layton Williams 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.