

October 11–17, 2015

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

News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

Beginning this Wednesday, October 14, Morning Prayer will be held once a week, on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Walter Brueggemann, world-renowned Old Testament scholar and prolific author, will be our guest preacher on Reformation Sunday, October 25 at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

A Service of Remembrance, with Communion and Fauré's *Requiem* sung by the Morning Choir, will be held on All Saints' Sunday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Be sure to "like" Fourth Church on Facebook to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on Fourth Church news, and access resources, including excerpts from sermons and prayers.

Today a congregational meeting that has been called by Session will take place at 12:15 p.m. At that time the congregation will act to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Joyce Shin, who will be moving to Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, where she will be Pastor and Head of Staff at Swarthmore Presbyterian Church.

A reception for Joyce, Michael, and Sophia will take place today following the congregational meeting. Please join us in thanking them for their ministry among us and wish them Godspeed in this new call.

A music trip to Scotland and England in summer 2016 will include a Fourth Church choir concert at St. Giles' Cathedral, where Calum MacLeod is Minister. Those interested in taking part in this tour are invited to attend an information session today at 12:45 p.m. in Room 4G, pick up a brochure from the literature racks, or visit www.fourthchurch.org

Give. Grow. Become! The 2016 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights is underway. Materials were mailed to member homes this past week, and pledge cards are available in the pew racks. Information is also available online about how to make your 2016 pledge to support the many ways we live out our call to love and serve: www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal



FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults will next meet for discussion and fellowship on Sunday, October 18 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

Christian Century Study Groups will gather for discussion on Wednesday, October 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Presbyterian Women will gather for a “Good News Fellowship” hour on Thursday, October 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The purple bows on the trees outside the Manse are our annual public witness, during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to all those affected by domestic abuse.

A Fall Farm Festival will be held this Saturday, October 17 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago).

Learn about our Social Service Center (EDSSC) while enjoying soup fellowship with church members! On Sunday, October 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., staff will be in Borwell Dining Room to talk about the community outreach work of the EDSSC. Church members will be providing soup, and a \$5 donation will be received at the door to support the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center. For details, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

A January mission trip to Mexico, led by Tom and Sue Schemper, will engage participants in partnering with local villagers to build rain cisterns to collect drinkable water. Details are posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html. Registration is due by November 16.

Save the date! The Chicago Lights Gala of Hope, co-chaired by Cynthia Joho and Elaine Scales, will be Friday, March 4, 2016 at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel. For details, contact Andrea Miller (amiller@fourthchurch.org; 312.640.2576).

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life classes meet today: “The Book of Job,” led by Mark Eldred, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B and “Art of Architecture,” led by Carolyn Armenta Davis, at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Today’s “Thinking Theologically” Academy for Faith and Life class, led by Carolyn Roncolato, has been canceled so that participants may attend the reception for Joyce Shin. The class will next meet on Sunday, October 18 from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m.

ThirtiesForties’ “Answering Big Questions in Good Company” series begins today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5D with discussion of the topic of “Power.”

Books by Women will meet this Tuesday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *The Midwife of Venice* by Roberta Rich. For more information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

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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Presbyterian Women's Horizons Bible study will meet this Wednesday, October 14 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, October 17 in Boyle Conference Room, is also a prerequisite for marriage at Fourth Presbyterian Church. To register, call 312.787.8425.

A Grief Support Group for those experiencing significant losses will meet on Mondays, October 19–November 23 from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. in the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being. To register (*required*), call 312.787.8425.

The Monthly Book Club of the Center for Life and Learning, open to all sixty and over, will meet on Tuesday, October 20 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 5B to discuss *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande.

Mass incarceration will be the topic of a series of book discussions hosted by the Multicultural Committee. The first will take place on Tuesday, October 20 at 5:30 p.m. Claudia Boatright will lead that conversation about Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow*.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Pianist Ani Gogova will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Mozart's Requiem will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society with the Chicago Chamber Orchestra on Thursday, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

"From the Euphrates to Chicago," a collection of watercolors by Syrian artist Etab Hrieb, is on display in the Loggia. Opportunity for a gallery walkthrough with the artist will be offered after the 11:00 a.m. worship service next Sunday, October 18.

As work on the pipe organ project continues, we are preparing to move the organ console into the choir loft. In the meantime, you can glimpse the new console—which is currently protectively stored in Borwell Dining Room—by looking through the Borwell windows from the Walter Family Courtyard.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on the fourth floor of the Gratz Center.

A pumpkin-decorating Family Night will be held on Friday, October 16 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Ushers for the 11:00 a.m. service

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one evening per week

Members to assist a child with special needs during 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery caregivers on Sundays

Assistants to help lead Junior High youth

Drummers for the Fourth Church Drumming Circle

Current Donation Needs

Clean blankets

Rain ponchos

Men's and women's seasonal clothing

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

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 11–17, 2015

Sunday, October 11

8:00 a.m.	Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery		Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	“The Book of Job”		Room 5B
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
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.	Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	ThirtiesForties		Room 5D
11:00 a.m.	“Art of Architecture”		Borwell Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Congregational Meeting		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Reception for Joyce Shin		Anderson Hall
12:45 p.m.	Scotland Tour Preview		Room 4G
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Shelley Donaldson preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, October 12

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		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		Buchanan Chapel
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor

Tuesday, October 13

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Bumpus Room

Wednesday, October 14

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Room 5B
12:00 p.m.	<i>Horizons</i> Bible Study		Room 4J

Thursday, October 15

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

Friday, October 16

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Ani Gogova		Buchanan Chapel
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Saturday, October 17

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Premarital Seminar		Boyle Conference Room
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.	Fall Festival		Urban Farm

Worship on Sunday, October 18

8:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.	Layton Williams preaching