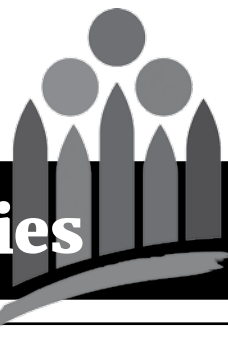


**September 18–24, 2016**

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## Children, Youth, and Family

A family worship bulletin for the 9:30 and 11:00 services is available from the ushers.

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

Eighth-grade Confirmation meets today at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5A. The Confirmation Fall Retreat will be held this coming weekend, September 23–25.

Youth in grades 6–12 will come together for spiritual practices today at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and hold gatherings at 11:00 a.m.

Family Neighborhood Groups will have information today for those interested in getting to know families in their neighborhood. Stop by the 4C Lounge between 10:30 and 11:00 a.m. today or call Briana Belding-Peck at 312.274.3804.

## Mission and Outreach

More tutors are needed for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program! A one-session orientation for new volunteers will be held this Monday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. RSVP at [www.bit.ly/chitutor1617](http://www.bit.ly/chitutor1617)

Used bicycles are being collected by the World Mission and Social Justice Committee this Saturday, September 24. Donations should be brought to the Delaware entrance of the Gratz Center between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. that day. For details, call Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

Save the date! The Chicago Lights Gala of Hope, co-chaired by Elaine Scales and Martha Sabol, will be Friday, February 24, 2017, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. For details, contact Andrea Miller at [amiller@fourthchurch.org](mailto:amiller@fourthchurch.org)



### Are you looking to meet new people at Fourth Church?

Engage in learning and conversation? Share your gifts with others? Grow in faith? Explore the host of opportunities we have for you that we are highlighting during today's special "Get Connected" Coffee Hour. Come find ways to get connected—or reconnected!—and also enjoy a tasty treat from the Chicago Lights Associates Board Bake Sale to support the outreach work of Chicago Lights!

## Fellowship

**Young Adults** gather on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

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

**Christian Century Study Groups** will next meet this Wednesday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**ThirtiesForties** will meet for brunch at Lyfe Kitchen (831 N. State) next Sunday, September 25 after the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Call Anne Ellis (312.573.3369) for details.

**Cornerstones** will meet on Friday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room for “The Genetics of Adulthood: What Every Adult Should Know about Ancestry Testing, Pharmacogenomics, Cancer, and Beyond,” presented by Carmen Williams. To register (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Wednesday, October 5.

## Enrichment

**Two new adult education classes** begin today: “Jeremiah and Discipleship,” led by Jeffrey Stackert, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F and “Charisma in One Week,” led by Tom Payne, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

**A Bible study of the Gospel of Luke**, led by Judy Watt, begins this Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Men’s Bible study** will meet this Tuesday, September 20 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP (*required*), contact Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org) (312.573.3369).

**“Compelling Communication,”** a presentation by former radio personality Catherine Johns and HR specialist Elinor Hite about the ways we connect to one another through speaking and listening, will be hosted by Women at Fourth this Thursday, September 22 at 5:30 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. All are invited.

**“Humanitarian Crisis in Syria: Realities and Responses”** will be held next Sunday, September 25 at 1:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. Presented by the Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago and the Syrian American Council, this discussion is sponsored by Fourth Church, Chicago Sinai Congregation, and Temple Shalom. All are invited. For details, contact Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)

**“A Sacred Pause”** will be offered each Tuesday morning at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel beginning September 27. Hosted by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and Tom Schemper, Vicky Curtiss, and Nanette Sawyer, this meditative time will offer space for twenty minutes of silence.

**Discussion of *Waking Up White***, led by Vicky Curtiss, continues on Thursday, September 29 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Beginning Thursday, October 6 Nanette Sawyer will lead us in discussion of *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion*.

*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 spiritual pilgrimage to Iona, Scotland, will be held July 19–31, 2017. Space is limited; register at [www.bit.ly/FPCIona2017](http://www.bit.ly/FPCIona2017) by October 15. More information is available in the literature racks or by calling Vicky Curtiss (312.981.3598).

## News and Resources

**Nominating forms for the offices** of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also online at [www.fourthchurch.org/contact/nominating\\_form.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/contact/nominating_form.html). Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

**Benjamin Reynolds** has joined the Fourth Church staff as our new Director of Volunteer Ministry. Please join us in welcoming Benjamin to Fourth Church!

**Bookmark the Fourth Church website**—[www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, information about upcoming events, and more.

**Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:**  
[@FourthChicago](https://twitter.com/FourthChicago)

**Have you made a 2016 pledge** to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights? If not, please take a moment to do so, as we still need \$100,791 to be pledged for 2016 to make our pledge goal. If you have already made a 2016 pledge, thank you! Pledged gifts make up approximately 40 percent of our annual revenue budget, meaning fulfillment of those pledges is critical to our annual planning and programming. New 2016 pledges can be made using the cards in the pew racks or by contacting Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576. Online gifts toward your pledge can be made at [www.bitly/FPCgiving](http://www.bitly/FPCgiving)

## Music and the Arts

**The Choral Society** rehearses on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**Organist Roderick Demmings Jr.** will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

A **music mission trip** to Northern Ireland will be held July 10–19, 2017. Space is limited; register online at [www.bit.ly/Nireland2017](http://www.bit.ly/Nireland2017) by October 15. More information is available in the literature racks or by contacting Vicky Curtiss at [vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org](mailto:vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org)

## Worship

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

**This Friday's Taizé worship service** will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

## Volunteers and Donations

**Current Volunteer Needs**

**Sunday School teachers**

**Good listeners and typists** to transcribe interviews for the Oral History program

**Nursery caregivers** on Sundays

**In2It Café instructors** to teach classes to Chicago Lights Tutoring students

**Greeters and ushers** for the 4:00 p.m. Jazz at Four service

**Current Donation Needs**

**Cloth ribbon, thread, and washable yarn**

**Men's and women's clothing**

*For more opportunities or to volunteer, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer](http://www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer)*

## Calendar for September 18–24, 2016

### Sunday, September 18

	<b>8:00 a.m. Worship</b>	<b>Rocky Supinger preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Bake Sale Benefiting Chicago Lights		Commons
9:00 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Commons / 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 a.m.	“Jeremiah and Discipleship”		Room 5F
<b>9:30 a.m. Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	<i>Weekly Seeds</i> Bible Study		Room 5H
10:00 a.m.	Confirmation Youth		Room 5A
10:00 a.m.	Youth Spiritual Practices		Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Time of Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Neighborhood Family Group Kickoff		Room 4C
10:30 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Commons / Anderson Hall
<b>11:00 a.m. Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	“Charisma in One Week”		Room 5G
12:00 p.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Commons / Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		Room 5A
<b>4:00 p.m. Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>

### Monday, September 19

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk ( <i>also Tuesday</i> )	Buchanan Chapel
5:30 p.m.	“The Gospel of Luke”	Page Smith Room
6:00 p.m.	Tutor Volunteer Orientation	Borwell Dining Room

### Tuesday, September 20

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
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### Wednesday, September 21

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
6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Groups	Randolph Room

### Thursday, September 22

5:30 p.m.	“Compelling Communication”	Bumpus Room
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel

### Friday, September 23

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert	Sanctuary
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Hosted Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Taizé Service</b>	<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>

### Saturday, September 24

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Bicycle Collection Drive	<i>(see announcement)</i>
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### Worship on Sunday, September 25

8:00 a.m.	Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.	Shannon J. Kershner 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.