

November 6–12, 2016

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



News and Opportunities

News and Resources

Today is Commitment Sunday, a day when we place our 2017 pledges in the offering plate and dedicate them to the work of God's kingdom. If you have already submitted your pledge or made it online, please take a brightly colored "I Pledged!" card from the pew information pad at the end of each pew, fill in your name, and place the card in the offering plate. If you are making your pledge today, you will find pledge cards in the pew racks.

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.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 19 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

Shannon Kershner will be running the 2017 Chicago Marathon for Team Chicago Lights. We're recruiting more runners to join in supporting Chicago Lights. Contact Kate Solis Silva at ksolis@chicagolights.org for details.

The names of those who have made 2017 pledges to the Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights by the end of today will be printed, as part of our gratitude expressions, in next Sunday's bulletin. If you would prefer to remain anonymous, please call Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576.

Mission and Outreach

The Interfaith Coalition against Racism (ICAR) will host "One Year Later"—a community forum reflecting on how our city can improve police conduct, training, and accountability—on November 10 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.



We are 58 percent of the way to our Let Your Light Shine combined goal of \$3.5 million for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights! If you have not yet had opportunity to make your 2017 Annual Appeal pledge, please do so today and place it in the offering plate. As part of today's service we will be dedicating all the pledges to the work of God's kingdom. Pledge cards are in the pew racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal

Save the date for Gala of Hope: Friday, February 24, 2017.

A new-volunteer orientation session for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program will be held this Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. RSVP online at www.bit.ly/chitutor1110

An intergenerational mission trip to Havana, Cuba, led by Judy Watt and Shelley Donaldson, will take place March 25–April 1, 2017. Participants will share in worship and learn about the resiliency of our sister congregation, First Presbyterian Church. Register online at www.bit.ly/HavanaCuba2017 by December 1.

“Dancing in the Dark: Nurturing Healing and Resilience” is the subject of a seminar sponsored by the Presbytery of Chicago on December 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Vicky Curtiss will preach that day. To register (*required*), visit dancinginthedark.bpt.me by December 1.

Enrichment

The book study on *Racism in a Post-Obama America* has been postponed. Watch www.fourthchurch.org/academy for details about a new date

New adult education classes begin today: “Many Names and Images for God” at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F, “Jesus and Socrates” at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G, “God in the Modern Wing: Part II” at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room, and “John Sherer and the Andrew Pipe Organ” at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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

Books by Women will gather this Tuesday, November 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room to discuss *The Witches of Salem, 1692* by Stacy Schiff.

Women at Fourth’s Horizons Bible Study will meet this Wednesday, November 9 at 12:00 noon in Room 4J.

Children, Youth, and Family

An Animal Family Night will be held on Friday, November 18 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

Adult leaders are needed for the Cuba trip that senior high youth will be taking in the summer of 2017. Details are online at www.bit.ly/CubaLeader2017

Music and the Arts

Organist Thom Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Mozart’s *Mass in C Minor* will be performed by the Fourth Church Choral Society and the orchestra Camerata Chicago this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.cameratachicago.org (use code FPCC at checkout for a 50 percent discount).

Organist Stephen Tharp will be in concert on Friday, November 18 at 7:30 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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Thanksgiving

A **Thanksgiving Labyrinth Walk** and Food Drive for Chicago Lights will be held on Sunday, November 20 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. For details, call Patty Thomas at 312.981.3388.

Community Thanksgiving Worship will be held Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Chicago Sinai Congregation, Holy Name Cathedral, Fourth Church, and others will cohost.

Thanksgiving Day worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 24. Abbi Heimach-Snipes will preach.

A **Thanksgiving Day Dinner** will be held on Thursday, November 24 at 12:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For details and ticket information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Advent

Today we remember loved ones as part of our All Saints' Sunday observances. We also have opportunity to remember them through gifts for Advent and Christmas Flowers. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Contributions can be made using forms in the literature racks, which must be returned by December 11 for names to appear in the bulletin.

The annual Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and Borwell Dining Room. Volunteers are needed that Friday-Sunday; to help, contact Nancy Davis at ndavis@fourthchurch.org

"A Chanticleer Christmas" concert will be held Tuesday, December 6 and Wednesday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.cso.org

Worship

Today is All Saints' Sunday, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2016 will be read during worship. Duruflé's *Requiem* will be sung by the Morning Choir during a communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Fellowship

An "Age with Dignity" Focus Group, presented by the Jane Adams Senior Caucus and hosted by the Center for Life and Learning and the World Mission and Social Justice Committee, will be held next Friday, November 18 10:00 a.m. in the Borwell Dining Room. RSVP (*required*) with Susan Quaintance at 312.981.3386.

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs

Servers for the Fourth Church

Thanksgiving dinner

Sunday School office assistant one Sunday per month, 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Tutors for Chicago Lights Tutoring, especially on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Current Donation Needs

Cloth ribbon, thread, and washable yarn
Men's and women's clothing

For more opportunities or to volunteer, email volunteerministry@fourthchurch.org or visit www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer

Calendar for November 6–12, 2016

Sunday, November 6			
	8:00 a.m. Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	Sanctuary
	9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour		Commons
	9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	9:30 a.m. <i>Weekly Seeds</i> Bible Study		Room 5H
	9:30 a.m. “Many Names and Images for God”		Room 5F
	9:30 a.m. “Jesus and Socrates”		Room 5G
	9:30 a.m. Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship		Bumpus Room
	10:00 a.m. Confirmation		Room 5A
10:30 a.m. and	12:15 p.m. Time of Prayer		Stone Chapel
	10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour		Commons
	11:00 a.m. Worship	Shannon J. Kershner preaching	Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m. Youth Gatherings		Room 4G/Bumpus
	11:00 a.m. “God in the Modern Wing: Part II”		Borwell Dining Room
	12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour		Commons
	12:30 p.m. Young Adults		Room 5A
	12:30 p.m. “Andrew Pipe Organ”		Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m. Jazz Worship	Nanette Sawyer preaching	Sanctuary
	6:30 p.m. Service of Remembrance: <i>Requiem</i>		Sanctuary
Monday, November 7			
	7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 to 3:30 p.m. Day School (<i>also Tuesday–Friday</i>)		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	5:30 p.m. “The Gospel of Luke”		Page Smith Room
Tuesday, November 8			
	7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	7:45 a.m. “Sacred Pause”		Stone Chapel
	6:00 p.m. Books by Women		Bumpus Room
Wednesday, November 9			
	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, November 10			
	6:00 p.m. New Tutor Volunteer Orientation		Gratz Center
	6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary Choir Loft
	7:00 p.m. ICAR Hosts “One Year Later”		Buchanan Chapel
Friday, November 11			
	12:10 p.m. Noonday Concert		Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m. Mozart’s <i>Mass in C Minor</i>		Sanctuary

Worship on Sunday, November 13

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