

**February 26–March 4, 2017**

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago



# News and Opportunities

## Lent

**Ash Wednesday** services with Communion, imposition of ashes, and Shannon Kershner preaching will be held this Wednesday, March 1 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m.

**An Ash Wednesday labyrinth walk** will be hosted in Buchanan Chapel between 6:00 and 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1.

**Daily Lenten devotions**—using “Path of Discipleship” texts (*see below*)—will be available beginning Ash Wednesday via email (send addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), Facebook ([facebook.com/fourthchurch](https://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch)), Twitter (@FourthChicago), the church website ([www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)), and in printed booklets, which can be found in the literature racks on March 1.

**A Lenten Taizé service** will be held on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel, preceded by a labyrinth walk.

**A contemplative Lenten retreat** will be held this Saturday, March 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Contact Nancy Davis ([ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org); 312.274.3815) by March 1 to register.

## News and Resources

**Enjoy tasty treats during Coffee Hour** today and support the youth bake sale to raise funds for their summer mission trips to Cuba, Detroit, and Montreat.

**We welcome Chicago Sinai eighth graders** who are visiting our Confirmation class today and attending 11:00 a.m. worship.

**Connection Corner** helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour.

**Please use the recycling baskets** around campus to help us care for creation.



### Join Us on the Path of Discipleship This Lent

A six-week Lenten series based on Richard Foster's *Celebration of Discipline* begins on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:00 p.m. Each week “Path of Discipleship” will combine a shared meal, a spiritual practices discussion led by a member of the pastoral staff, and small-group conversation. Registration (*required*) is requested by February 27 at [www.bit.ly/fpcpod2017](http://www.bit.ly/fpcpod2017)

## Music and the Arts

A dramatic reading of Richard Durham's *Railway to Freedom*, about Harriet Tubman, will be presented this Monday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel as part of Black History Month.

The exhibition "Woven Quilts" by Betty Jane Lau is on display in the Loggia through tomorrow, Monday, February 27.

Pianist Mio Nakamura will present this week's free Friday Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Poulenc's *Organ Concerto* will be performed this Friday, March 3 by John Sherer and the Academy Orchestra of the Music Institute of Chicago as part of a free concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

## Worship

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship. Written prayer requests can be left in the boxes by Stone Chapel, the Narthex, and Commons.

The Buchanan Chapel labyrinth is available for walking Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday. (See page 4 for times.)

Sacred Pause, twenty minutes of meditative silence, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to join staff in praying for Fourth Church members and those in need.

## Mission and Outreach

PCUSA World Mission will be the topic of a four-week Academy for Faith and Life class, taught by staff of the PCUSA General Assembly, beginning Sunday, March 5 at 11:00 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. Sara Lisherness, Director of Compassion, Peace and Justice, will be the first speaker.

A mission trip with BorderLinks in Tucson to learn about the immigrant experience in the Southwest will be led by Abbi Heimach-Snipes July 22–29. Register at [www.bit.ly/border2017](http://www.bit.ly/border2017) by March 26.

The Benevolent Guild gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B to create gifts for hospitalized children.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets—which offer a way to give to those in need on the streets—are available at the Mission table during Coffee Hour or by emailing Nancy Davis at [ndavis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ndavis@fourthchurch.org)

## Children, Youth, and Family

Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its 2017–18 half-day Twos and Preschool classes. For information, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579).

Mindful Parenting, led by Sue Schemper, meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

Tunes for Tots, for parents and children up to two years old, meets on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Day School Classroom B.

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

*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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**Eighth-grade Confirmation** meets today at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5A.

**Youth in grades 6–12** meet for fellowship at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room and gather at 11:00 a.m. in Room 4G (Junior Highs) and Bumpus Room (Senior Highs).

## Enrichment

“**The Gospel of Matthew**” Bible study concludes today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

“**Reading Romans with Karl Barth** during Lent,” a Bible study led by Robert Cathey, begins next Sunday, March 5 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G.

The “**Roots of American Racism**” class concludes today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

A “**Caring for the Caregiver**” series will be held Mondays, February 27–March 20 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G. Call Susan at 312.981.3386 to register (*required*).

The last session of the book discussion about *It's Complicated* has been canceled. Abbi Heimach-Snipes will lead discussion of the next book in our series, *Faithful Resistance: Gospel Visions for the Church in a Time of Empire*, on Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Meditation opportunities** are offered by the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room. For details, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/rc](http://www.fourthchurch.org/rc)

**Christian Century Study Group** will meet Wednesday, March 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

## Fellowship

**Young Adults** have their weekly Gathering time today at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Their Bible study meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at Guthrie's Tavern (1300 W. Addison).

**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)).

**Knitting and Crocheting** will gather this Tuesday, February 28 between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. in Room 4F for fellowship, to drop off items, and to pick up material.

“**On an Elder's Trail: The Later Life of Charles M. Charnley**” will be the topic presented by author Jack Perry Brown at a 6:00 p.m. dinner gathering hosted by Cornerstones this Friday, March 3 in Borwell Dining Room. Register (*required*) by Wed., March 1 at [www.bit.ly/CFPC0317](http://www.bit.ly/CFPC0317)

## Volunteers and Donations

**Tutors are needed** one evening a week from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the church to work with Chicago Lights Tutoring. Orientation will be Monday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4J. RSVP to Fernie Tiflis at [ftiflis@chicagolights.org](mailto:ftiflis@chicagolights.org)

### **Additional Volunteer Needs**

**Greeters and ushers** for 4:00 jazz worship  
**Coffee Hour hosts and refreshment servers**  
Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Individually wrapped** granola bars, fruit cups, and nonrefrigerated juice boxes

*For more opportunities or to sign up, stop by Coffee Hour, email Robert Crouch at [volunteerministry@fourthchurch.org](mailto:volunteerministry@fourthchurch.org), or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer](http://www.fourthchurch.org/volunteer)*

## Calendar for February 26–March 4, 2017

### Sunday, February 26

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00, 10:30 a.m.;	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour and Youth Bake Sale	Anderson Hall / Commons	
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery	Nursery / Day School	
	<b>9:30 and 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Shannon J. Kershner</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School	Gratz Center, Floor 4	
	9:30 a.m.	Mindful Parenting	The Loft	
	9:30 a.m.	The Gospel of Matthew	Room 5G	
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.		Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel	
	11:00 a.m.	Roots of American Racism, Part II	Room 5G	
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A	
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz Worship</b>	<b>Abbi Heimach-Snipes preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall	

### Monday, February 27

7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Caring for the Caregiver		Room 5G
	4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Supper		Catholic Charities
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Railway to Freedom</i> Dramatic Reading		Buchanan Chapel
	6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Bible Study		(see announcement)
	7:00 p.m.	Grief Group		Boyle Conference Room

### Tuesday, February 28

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	7:45 a.m.	Sacred Pause		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.		Knitting and Crocheting		Room 4F
	6:30 p.m.	Intro to Meditation/Meditation		Boyle Conference Room

### Wednesday, March 1

		<b>Ash Wednesday</b>		
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Room 5B
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
	6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Group		Randolph Room
6:00 to 7:15 p.m.		Ash Wednesday Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>

### Thursday, March 2

6:00 p.m.		Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
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### Friday, March 3

12:10 p.m.		Noonday Concert: Mio Nakamura		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.		Cornerstones		Borwell Dining Room
7:30 p.m.		Concert: John Sherer and Academy Orchestra		Sanctuary

### Saturday, March 4

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.		Lenten Contemplative Retreat		Borwell Dining Room

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### Worship on Sunday, March 5

8:00 a.m.		Judith L. Watt preaching		
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching		
4:00 p.m.		Hardy H. Kim preaching		