

April 15–21, 2012

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News and Opportunities

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The congregation is asked to provide input to the PNC at one of three upcoming input-gathering sessions: today and April 29 at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary and Tuesday, April 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This input will be used to develop criteria for, later this year, evaluating candidates for the Pastor position.

An overview of the PNC process as well as a list of frequently asked PNC questions can be found online at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.html. Comments and questions for the PNC can be sent to pnc@fourthchurch.org or by sending a message to Fourth Church on the Fourth Church page on Facebook.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The construction work at the west end of Anderson Hall is creating doorways that will connect Anderson Hall to the Commons of the Gratz Center.

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by June and Carole Bekken in memory of Oliver T. Bekken. For details about sponsoring Coffee Hour, call Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

Fourth Church is on Twitter: @FourthChicago and @FPCAngel.

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults will meet today for a discussion with Brother Emile of the Taizé community at 12:30 p.m.

A Fourth Church Running Group is being formed. For details, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

WORSHIP

Members of the Taizé community in France will attend the Taizé service here on Friday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. Following the service, they will talk about Taizé Chicago, a Memorial Day weekend event for young adults.

Have you “liked” Fourth Church on Facebook?

It's easy to do (visit facebook.com/fourthchurch or scan the QR code here with any smartphone), and it ensures you won't miss photos of congregational life as well as glimpses into our history. You'll also find reflections on our journey through the entire Bible, excerpts from sermons, and details about upcoming events. And you can share it all with friends too!



Morning Prayer is held on weekdays at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesday when it is held at 9:00 a.m.

A **jazz service** is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The **100th anniversary of the Titanic's** sinking will be commemorated in a concert by John W. W. Sherer, Fourth Church Organist, tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

To help rebuild the **Fourth Church organ**, which is rapidly deteriorating, please use the gift intention card found in the pew rack and also available online. To make a gift online or learn more about the organ, visit www.fourthchurchorgan.org. Additional information is also available by contacting Anita Bright at 312.274.3822.

Pianist Shuann Chai will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Fourth Acts, the Fourth Church theater group, will present an all-ages reading of *The Lorax* on Sunday, April 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room.

"The Cardboard Chronicles: The Biblical Art of Rudolph Bostic" is on display in the Loggia through June.

ENRICHMENT

"Dante's *The Divine Comedy* Still Speaks," a three-week Academy for Faith and Life class led by Sue Anderson, meets today at 9:30 a.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson).

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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"Religious Observances in the Home," part of the "Religion in Interfaith Homes" series, meets today at 12:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware).

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! A Bible study meets at the 737 building on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and is repeated on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. The reading list is online and in the literature racks. Devotions on the texts are available via Facebook, Twitter, and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Changing Conversations will host Trey Hall for a discussion, "A New Community of People Trying to Do Church Differently," this Friday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

"Relationships: Dealing with Differences," a seminar led by Elise Magers, will be held on Tuesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. To register (required), call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

"Relative Strangers: Italian Protestants in the Catholic World," a presentation by Frank Cicero, will be held on Thursday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Elaine Pagels will talk about her new book *Revelations: Visions, Prophecy, and Politics in the Book of Revelation* at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Thursday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Supporting World Vision by running a marathon will be the topic of an information session today at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building.

Hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are being collected by Women@Fourth Connect during Coffee Hour on Sundays, April 15 and 22 and May 6, 20, and 27. A list of items to be included is available from Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

“How to Recognize Child Sex Trafficking in Your Neighborhood,” a discussion hosted by the Sunlight Project, will take place this Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Helping Hands, a mission group to help with cleaning, construction, and gardening projects, will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room. For details, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

The Chicago Lights Associates Board will hold an open meeting for prospective members on Wednesday, April 18 at the 737 building. Young adults are invited to learn about this fundraising board. For details, call Erin Dalpini at 312.981.3596.

Applications for mission trips to Urban Plunge: Chicago (May 18–20) and Haley Farm, Tennessee (July 18–22), are due on Tuesday, May 15. Details and application forms are available in the brochures in the literature racks and by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

A one-day cycling tour of Harbor Country and the annual **Links for Lights Golf Classic** will be held on Monday, June 18 at the Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. Information about these events, which support Chicago Lights, a community outreach organization at Fourth Church that provides hope to those facing the challenges of poverty, is available at Coffee Hour and online at www.chicagolights.org.

A letter urging congressional representatives to support laws protecting children against sex trafficking is available for signing at the Mission Table at Coffee Hour.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The nursery for young children is located in the Page Smith Room and Anderson Hall South Balcony.

Sunday School classes are held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

Eighth graders will be confirmed today at 11:00 a.m. worship. Youth (grades 6–12) will be attending the service and will resume meeting weekly next Sunday.

The annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for youth summer work camp trips will take place Sunday, April 29 in the Dining Room. Tickets are available in Coffee Hour.

A Great Expectations Baby Shower will take place on May 6 at 12:30 p.m. Expecting or new parents are invited to RSVP to Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Servers for monthly Friday Night Suppers **Helpers** at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

Cooks and servers at a men’s shelter on Tuesdays 6:30–8:45 p.m.

A reader for someone who is legally blind

Assistants to help with a variety of tasks at the Social Service Center

Church members to usher at 8:00 or 11:00

Current Donation Needs

Men’s sturdy clothes in larger sizes

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

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 15–21, 2012

Sunday, April 15

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| 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | Nursery | Page Smith Room/Anderson Hall S. Balcony | |
| 8:00 a.m. | Morning Worship | Kerri N. Allen preaching | Sanctuary |
| 9:00 a.m. | Coffee Hour | | Garth |
| 9:30 a.m. | Morning Worship | John W. Vest preaching | Sanctuary |
| 9:30 a.m. | Sunday School | | Dining Room |
| 9:30 a.m. | Academy for Faith and Life Class | | The Clare |
| 10:30 a.m. | Coffee Hour | | Garth |
| 10:30 a.m. | Intercessory Prayer | | Stone Chapel |
| 11:00 a.m. | Morning Worship | John W. Vest preaching | Sanctuary |
| 11:00 a.m. | Sunday School | | Dining Room |
| 12:15 p.m. | Brunch for Confirmand Families | | Dining Room |
| 12:15 p.m. | PNC Congregational Input Session | | Sanctuary |
| 12:15 p.m. | Coffee Hour | | Garth |
| 12:15 p.m. | Intercessory Prayer | | Stone Chapel |
| 12:15 p.m. | Church Tour | | Sanctuary |
| 12:30 p.m. | Young Adults Taizé Discussion | | 737 Building |
| 12:30 p.m. | Religion in Interfaith Homes Series | <i>(see announcement)</i> | |
| 12:30 p.m. | World Vision Presentation | | 737 Building |
| 4:00 p.m. | Jazz Worship | Adam H. Fronczek preaching | Sanctuary |
| 4:00 p.m. | Sunday Night Supper | | Anderson Hall |
| 7:00 p.m. | Titanic Concert | | Sanctuary |

Monday, April 16

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| 9:30 a.m. | Morning Prayer <i>(also Wednesday–Friday)</i> | Sanctuary |
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Tuesday, April 17

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| 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer | Sanctuary |
| 6:00 p.m. | “Reading the Bible in a Year” Bible Study | 737 Building |
| 6:30 p.m. | “How to Recognize Child Sex Trafficking” | Sanctuary |

Wednesday, April 18

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| 6:00 p.m. | Helping Hands | Second Floor Conference Room |
| 7:30 p.m. | Chicago Lights Associates Board | 737 Building |

Thursday, April 19

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| 10:00 a.m. | “Reading the Bible in a Year” Bible Study | 737 Building |
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Friday, April 20

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| 10:30 a.m. | CLL Bible Study | 737 Building |
| 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Concert: Shuann Chai | 737 Building |
| 7:00 p.m. | Changing Conversations | 737 Building |

Saturday, April 21

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| 10:00 a.m. | Urban Farm Volunteer Orientation | Dining Room |
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Preaching on Sunday, April 22

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| Calum I. MacLeod preaching | 8:00 a.m. |
| Victoria G. Curtiss preaching | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. |
| Matthew J. Helms preaching | 4:00 p.m. |

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. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$6 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.