# News and Opportunities

# LIVING STONES

A LIGHT IN THE CITY

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"Living Stones" materials have been sent to member homes. Response cards for indicating your support of the mission and ministry of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights are enclosed in that mailing and are available in the pew racks; they can also be completed online. All are invited to please consider making a pledge to the 2014 Annual Appeal on or before Commitment Sunday, October 27. For more information, stop by Coffee Hour or contact Katy Frey Bever at kbever@fourthchurch.org.

# NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Bike to Church Sunday** is next Sunday, October 6. Bikes can be parked on the loading dock on Delaware that morning.

An interfaith Blessing of the Animals service will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the courtyard. All pets are welcome but must be on a leash or in a carrier. **Be sure to "like" Fourth Church** on Facebook to see the latest photos of church life, keep up-to-date on church news, and access resources, including excerpts from sermons and prayers.

**Information about the pastoral search** process is posted online at www. fourthchurch.org/pnc and includes the September update from the Pastor Nominating Committee.

**Registration for the Covenant Network** conference, which will be held at Fourth Church October 31–November 2 and will explore the topic "Marriage Matters," can be completed online at www.covnetpres.org.

**Follow Fourth Church on Twitter:** (@FourthChicago).

# MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Oboist Jennet Ingle** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

# Have you made your officer recommendations yet?

If not, the Nominating Committee asks that you please do so by September 30 to help them with their task of compiling a slate of elders, deacons, trustees, and Chicago Lights Board members to present at the Annual Meeting next February. You can submit your recommendations using the form online at www.fourthchurch.org or use the print form in pew racks.



## The Choral Society welcomes new

singers to rehearsal on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

# WORSHIP

**Calum MacLeod will be preaching** a four-part sermon series, beginning October 6 and continuing through November 10, on texts that have been central to his ministry at Fourth Church.

**Opportunity to walk the labyrinth** in Buchanan Chapel is typically available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

# MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Mission Trip Sunday** is next Sunday, October 6. All are invited to visit Coffee Hour that day to learn about Fourth Church mission trips for 2014.

**Chicago Lights Tutoring** begins its forty-ninth year this week, with 400 students meeting one-to-one with their tutors here at the church one evening a week. See www.fourthchurch.org/ chicagolights to learn more.

A Peacemaking Offering will be received next Sunday to support the work of the Cameroon America AIDS Alliance in establishing a sustainable program of education, prevention, and treatment.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. On Monday, October 7 Women@Fourth Connect will tie purple bows on the trees on Michigan Avenue to bring attention to the issue of domestic violence. To volunteer, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org). **Fresh produce** through the Chicago Lights Urban Farm's Community Supported Agriculture and GoodFood Mobile programs is available. For details, call Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

**To sponsor Coffee Hour**, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org.

**Young Adults** meets on Sundays for fellowship at 12:30 p.m. They will also attend a retreat on November 8–10 in New Buffalo, Michigan.

A CLL luncheon will be held this Thursday, October 3 at 11:30 a.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

**"Providing Medical Assistance** to Victims of the Syrian Conflict," presented by Zaher Sahloul, will take place this Friday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gratz Center. To register (required), call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 by this Wednesday, October 2. All are invited to this program hosted by Cornerstones.

**Fourth Dimension** will gather for "A Look Behind the Lookingglass," on Friday, October 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. To register (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8.

# CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Youth (grades 6–12) will gather today at 10:30 a.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**No Children's, Cherub, or Youth Choir** rehearsals are being held today. They will resume rehearsal next Sunday.

*News and Opportunities,* which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago Church office: 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014; 312.787.4570 Fax: 312.787.4584; www.facebook.com/fourthchurch **Sunday School classes** are held today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Fall Family Camp** is currently being held in Holland, Michigan. Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all the families participating in this fellowship and learning opportunity.

**An Elevation lock-in** for youth in grades 6–7 will take place this Friday, October 4–Saturday, October 5 in the Gratz Center.

**The Downtown Moms' Group** will discuss the book *Mom Connection: Creating Vibrant Relationships in the Midst of Motherhood* by Tracey Bianchi on Tuesdays, starting October 8, at 10:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center. For details, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

### ENRICHMENT

New Academy for Faith and Life

classes begin today: "An Introduction to the Bible," led by Kenneth Vaux at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5G; "Immigration and Our Journey of Faith," led by Edwin Estevez at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5D; "New Paths: Christians Engaging Israel," led by Robert Cathey and Esther Menn at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5E; and "Forgiveness," led by Vicky Curtiss at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F.

**Men's Bible Study** will next gather this Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Ryan Loeckel at rloeckel@fourthchurch.org.

**Christian Century Study Groups** will meet this Wednesday, October 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

**Craig Barnes** will be speaking at the Christian Century's annual lecture this Thursday, October 3 at the Arts Club. To register, call 312.263.7510, ext. 229. **Fourth for Bridge** will meet this Saturday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org.

**"EcoPeace** with Friends of the Earth Middle East," a free Michigan Avenue Forum about interfaith transboundary environmental efforts in the Middle East, will be held on Monday, October 7.

#### A tour of the Morton Arboretum,

offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place Tuesday, October 8. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at aelskus@fourthchurch.org by the end of today, Sunday, September 29.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity* by Katherine Boo on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

"Introduction to SoulCollage<sup>®</sup>," a seminar led by Vicky Curtiss, will be held on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room of Parish House. To register (required), call the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

# **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

**Current Volunteer Needs** 

**Tutors** for the Tutoring program, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

**Greeters and attendants** for the Covenant Network Conference at Fourth Church, Oct. 31–Nov. 2

Members to be Nursery caregivers on Sundays, 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Habitat for Humanity volunteers on October 5, 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

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

#### CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 5, 2013

Sunday, September 29		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Hardy H. Kim pre-	aching Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:15 a.m.	Moms' Group	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preach	ing Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	Bumpus Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preach	ing Śanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Adam H. Fronczel	c preaching Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
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Monday, September 30		
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tuesday)	Buchanan Chapel
10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Center for Life and Learning Classes (also Tuesday–Friday)	
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday) Gratz Center, First Floor	
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Fride	5
5:00 p.m.	Monday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
Tuesday, October 1		
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	(coo appouncement)
9:00 a.m.	<sup>2</sup>	(see announcement)
10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer Moms' Group	Sanctuary Fourth Floor Lounge
10:00 a.m.	Monis Group	Fourth Floor Lounge
Wednesday, October 2		
7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups	Randolph Room
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Thursday, October 3		
11:30 a.m.	CLL Luncheon	Courtyard
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, October 4		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Jennet Ingle	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Gratz Center
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Saturday, October 5		
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Elevation Lock-in	Gratz Center
7:30 p.m.	Fourth for Bridge	(see announcement)
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#### Worship on Sunday, October 6

8:00 a.m.	Matt Helms preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Calum I. MacLeod preaching
4:00 p.m.	Edwin Estevez 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. 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.