

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

We look forward with great enthusiasm to welcoming Shannon Kershner, Pastor-Elect, to Fourth Church beginning in May and her family beginning in June. Shannon's first sermon as Pastor of Fourth Church will be on Sunday, May 18, the day we celebrate the centennial of the Sanctuary and look ahead to our second century on Michigan Avenue. To learn more about Shannon and her call to Fourth Church, please visit the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org.

Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times. Information for those who might benefit from conversation with a Stephen Minister is available in the literature racks, online, and by leaving a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

Follow Fourth Church on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

We welcome the Chicago Sinai

confirmation class to worship this morning during the 11:00 service. Prior to worship, they are meeting with a member of the pastoral staff to learn about Christianity, Presbyterianism, and Fourth Church.

Inquirers' Class, which is a prerequisite for membership and offers opportunity to learn more about Presbyterian history and beliefs, next meets this Saturday, March 15 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 4F.

WORSHIP

Opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel is available this week on Monday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

Shannon Kershner was overwhelmingly elected

by the congregation last Sunday to serve as the next Pastor of Fourth Church. Photos from that historic and joy-filled day are posted on Facebook. You needn't have an account to view them at www.facebook.com/ fourthchurch—although "Liking" our page will ensure you don't miss any news in the exciting days ahead!



A service in the style of Taizé will next be held on Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

LENT

To receive Lenten devotions by email (if you do not already receive our daily devotions), send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org. Devotions are also available on the website and via Facebook and in printed format in the literature racks.

An Interfaith Passover Seder will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware). For ticket information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

A Lenten Contemplative Retreat will be held Friday–Saturday, April 11–12 at The Well in La Grange Park. To register, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Sunday, April 6.

FELLOWSHIP

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored in honor of retired Fourth Church Associate Pastor David Donovan by Michael M. Kazanjian. To sponsor Coffee Hour, call Anne Ellis at 312,573,3369.

Young Adults will gather today for a discussion and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes are held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Youth meet today for worship at 10:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

The "Mindful Parenting" series will continue today with the topic "Naming and Using the Power of Our Emotions" at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

A "Faith Formation" workshop for parents will discuss "How Do We Pray as a Family?" next Sunday, March 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

The "Religion in Interfaith Homes" series continues next Sunday, March 16 with the topic "Planning Your Wedding in Abrahamic and Other Traditions" at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G.

Family Night with Animals will be held on Friday, March 21 at 5:30 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

A Moms' Night Out with Women@Fourth Connect will be held on Thursday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Vineyard Vines (540 N. Michigan). To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at lnickerson@fourthchurch. org by Tuesday, March 25.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Thank you to everyone who supported Carnaval 2014! This annual gala benefits Chicago Lights, the community outreach arm of Fourth Church; the Center for Life and Learning; and the Counseling Center. To see how that support is changing lives, "like" Chicago Lights on Facebook and sign up for email updates by sending addresses to chicagolights@ fourthchurch.org.

Silent Auction items from Carnaval are available for pickup during Coffee Hour.

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 The Hygiene Kit project, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, collects supplies for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Donations are being accepted at the Women@Fourth Connect table during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A viewing of the film A Place at the Table, a documentary about hunger, will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room.

The Benevolent Guild resumes meeting this Wednesday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

Faith Build Day, a Habitat for Humanity work day, will be held on Saturday, April 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registered adult volunteers are invited to meet at Fourth Church at 7:30 a.m. that day to carpool to the work site. To sign up to volunteer, stop by the Volunteer table at Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life classes continue today: "An Ethical Approach to Scripture," led by Kenneth Vaux; "Jewish and Christian Difference: Building Understanding," led by Sarah Tanzer; and "Potpourri: Pastor's Choice," led by Fourth Church pastoral staff, at 9:30 a.m.; "Introductory Overview to the Bible," led by Vicky Curtiss, at 11:00 a.m.; and "Introduction to Buddhism," led by Yarina Liston, at 12:30 p.m.

Author Nami Mun will join Books by Women for their discussion of *Miles from Nowhere* this Tuesday, March 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

New classes begin next week in the Academy for Faith and Life: "God, Suffering, and Evil," led by Anna Case-Winters, and "Making Room at the Table: Understanding and Solving Hunger in America," led by Vicky Curtiss, Adam Fronczek, Dan Hula, and Matt Gross, at 9:30 a.m.; "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks," led by Jeff Doane, and "Becoming Calvin," led by Fourth Acts and Randall Zachman, at 11:00 a.m. For more information or to register, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

A tour of Second Presbyterian Church, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Friday, March 28 at 10:15 a.m. Adults sixty and more are invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Organist Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Handbell ringers for the Handbell Choir; rehearsals on Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program; Monday evenings

Members to serve as ushers during the 9:30 a.m. service

Cooks to prepare and serve dinner at a men's shelter; second and fourth Tuesdays; rotating schedule

Members to be Nursery caregivers at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Current Donation Needs
Men's and women's seasonal clothes
Department store bags with handles

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

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 9-15, 2014

Sunday, March 9		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Matt Helms preachin	
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
9:30 a.m.	"Mindful Parenting"	Room 4G
9:30 a.m.	•	ratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Worship	Buchanan Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	
11:00 a.m.		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
11:00 a.m.	5	ratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:15 p.m.	A Place at the Table Screening	Borwell Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:30 p.m.		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Hardy H. Kim preach	ing Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, March 10		
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tuesday)	Buchanan Chapel
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–Friday)	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Gratz Center
Tuesday, March 11		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Moms' Group	Room 4C
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Bumpus Room
Wednesday, March 12		
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.	Contemplative Prayer	Hospitality Suite
Friday, March 14		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Thomas E. Gouwens	Sanctuary
Saturday, March 15		
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class	Room 4F

Worship on Sunday, March 16

8:00 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Judith L. Watt preaching 4:00 p.m. Adam H. Fronczek 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 on Sundays only at the rate of \$8 between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and only for three hours in that period. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.