

# News and Opportunities

# **NEWS AND RESOURCES**

The annual congregational Pancake Breakfast takes place today from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. A warm breakfast of pancakes, eggs, and sausage will be served, with omelets made to order by John Vest for an additional donation. Tickets for the breakfast, which support the youth's summer work camp trip to Haiti, are available at the door.

Fourth Church extends its gratitude to the officers who this spring complete their three-year term as Elder, Deacon, or Trustee. Please take opportunity to thank them (they are wearing pink name tags today), the continuing officers, and those officers who are being ordained and installed this morning (and who are wearing purple name tags) for their dedication and service to this congregation.

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Adam Fronczek's last Sunday at Fourth Church will be next Sunday, May 11. He will preach at all four worship services, and following the 11:00 service and prior to the 4:00 service we will host receptions in his honor. Please take time next Sunday to thank Adam for his ministry among us and congratulate him on his call to serve as Pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati.

Celebrate the centennial of the Sanctuary and Parish House on Sunday, May 18 as we gather after the 11:00 service for an anniversary reception, which will include food from Ditka's.

We will be recognizing, on Centennial Sunday, all those who have remembered Fourth Church in their will. If Fourth Church is included in your estate plans, please let Katy Bever know at kbever@ fourthchurch.org (312.981.3380) so that we can include your name in the special May 18 centennial bulletin as we celebrate legacy commitments to the future of this congregation.

# A day like May 18 only comes once every 100 years!

Come be part of a truly historic Fourth Church moment on Sunday, May 18! We will gather to give thanks for our first century on Michigan Avenue as we celebrate the centennial of the Sanctuary. As part of that celebration we will also launch with great excitement our next century, welcoming Shannon Kershner for her first Sunday preaching as our new Pastor!



**Shannon Kershner's** first Sunday in the Fourth Church pulpit will be May 18, when she will preach at all four services. She will then return to North Carolina to help her family with the move to Chicago. Shannon will next preach here on Sunday, June 15 and will preach each Sunday the remainder of June and July, after which she will travel, as part of prior commitments, on Sundays, August 3, 10, and 17, before returning to Fourth Church August 24. She will be formally installed as Pastor on Sunday, September 21 during a festive 11:00 worship service, after which we will host a special reception to celebrate and officially welcome Shannon, Greg, Hannah, and Ryan.

Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one caring relationships to support those who are experiencing challenging times. More information about meeting with a Stephen Minister is available in the literature racks, online, and by leaving a confidential message at 312.573.3365.

A Grief Support Group for those experiencing significant losses will meet on Mondays, May 5–June 9, at 7:00 p.m. here at the Replogle Center.

Be sure to bookmark the Fourth Church website—www.fourthchurch.org—for access to the Fourth Church calendar, an archive of sermons, photos, and more.

The new sculpture that was recently installed in Buchanan Chapel will be dedicated in memory of Dana Ferguson, who served Fourth Church as Executive Associate Pastor until the time of her death in 2008. That dedication will take place during the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, May 11.

# MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today is Fair Trade Sunday, when there will be opportunity during Coffee Hour to learn more about the impact of fair trade and to shop for gifts created by Fair Trade artisans.

A microfinance mission trip to Colombia (September 21–26) is being offered by Fourth Church and Opportunity International. More information is available in the literature racks.

### **FELLOWSHIP**

Coffee Hour today is in honor of incoming and outgoing officers of Fourth Church. To sponsor Coffee Hour in honor of someone or a special occasion, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

A Men's Breakfast with a presentation from Sarah's Circle will be held this Saturday, May 10 at 8:00 a.m. in Parish House Dining Room.

# MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Chicago Bronze will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Laurie Wohl, the fiber artist who designed and created our Unweavings Ordinary Time banners, will be speaking on her art "Birds of Longing: Memory and Exile" on Friday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. To register, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Wednesday, May 7. Hosted by Fourth Dimension, this program will coincide with an exhibit of Laurie's work, which will be on display in the Loggia in May.

**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 Chicago Chamber Orchestra will perform in concert this Sunday, May 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A \$20 suggested donation will be received at the door.

The Choral Society will sing in a concert celebrating 100 years of music at Fourth Church on Saturday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

### **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.

The Contemplative Prayer Group will meet for a guided labyrinth walk this Wednesday, May 7 at 6:00 p.m. They will meet in the Hospitality Suite.

# **ENRICHMENT**

Academy for Faith and Life classes are held today: "God and the Problem of Human Suffering," led by Randall Zachman, and "Introductory Overview of the Bible," led by Vicky Curtiss, at 11:00 a.m. and "The Path to Bach," led by John Sherer, and "Meditation, Neuroscience, and Christianity," led by Adam Fronczek, at 12:30 p.m.

The "Sharing Sacred Texts" series, presented by Sharing Sacred Spaces, continues today Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m. at Seventeenth Church of Christ Scientist (55 E. Upper Wacker).

Men's Bible Study will next gather this Tuesday, May 6 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For more information, contact Ryan Loeckel at 312.640.2570 (rloeckel@fourthchurch.org).

"SoulCollage"," a workshop led by Vicky Curtiss and offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being, will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 9:00 a.m. in the Boyle Conference Room. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

### CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Kindergarteners are receiving Bibles this morning during Children's Chapel. These Bibles reflect the baptismal pledge of the congregation to support the children and youth of the church.

The "Enriching Relationships" series for couples concludes today with discussion of the topic "Prioritizing Our Time" at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

Flowers for Mother's Day will be sold by Elevation youth during Coffee Hour next Sunday, May 11 to raise funds for their summer trip.

Spring Family Camp will be held May 30–June 1 at Camp Geneva in Holland, Michigan. Registration forms, available in the 4C Lounge of the Gratz Center and at www.fourthchurch.org/ children/family-camp.html, are due Sunday, May 18.

**Save the date for VBS:** August 11–15!

### **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

Current Volunteer Needs
Handbell ringers for the Handbell Choir
Chicago Lights Summer Day helpers
Dishwashers for Sunday Night Supper,
5:00–6:30 p.m., on rotation

Current Donation Needs
Men's and women's seasonal clothes

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

# CALENDAR FOR MAY 4-10, 2014

Sunday, May 4		
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Victoria G. Curti	
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Pancake Breakfast	Borwell Dining Room
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 pread	shing Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	"Enriching Relationships"	Room 4G
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Elevation Gathering	Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preac	ching Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Room 5B
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:30 p.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Joyce Shin pread	
Monday, May 5		
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	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Fri	
5:30 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Friday)	Gratz Center
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Room 4F
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group	Boyle Conference Room
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Tuesday, May 6	M A Pell Co. 1	(
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	(see announcement)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Moms' Group	Room 4C
Wednesday, May 7		
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 Group	Randolph Room
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7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Loft
Friday, May 9		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Chicago Bronze	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension: Laurie Wohl	Bumpus Room
Saturday, May 10		
7:30 to 11:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
8:00 a.m.		
6:00 p.m. <b>Saturday, May 10</b> 7:30 to 11:00 a.m.	Fourth Dimension: Laurie Wohl  Labyrinth Walk  Men's Ministry	

### Worship on Sunday, May 11

8:00 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Adam H. Fronczek 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.