

March 8–14, 2015

**FOURTH  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**  
*A Light in the City*

# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Inquirers' Class** offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which will meet next Saturday, March 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Room 4F, is also a prerequisite for membership.

**Be sure to bookmark** the Fourth Church website—[www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org)—for easy access to the Fourth Church calendar, details about upcoming events; an archive of bulletins, prayers, and sermons; devotions; and much more.

## LENT AND EASTER

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will take place on Tuesday, March 24 at 6:30 p.m. To reserve tickets, contact Anne Ellis ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)) at 312.573.3369 by Tuesday, March 10.

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

**Remember loved ones** by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Sunday, March 22 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org). For details, contact Allie Williams at 312.981.3383.

**A Lenten Contemplative Retreat** will be held Friday–Saturday, March 27–28 at the Well in La Grange Park. To register, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Sunday, March 22.

**It's easy to share your church with your friends:** whether it's an invitation to Midweek Wednesday services, a thought-provoking reflection from a Lenten devotion, an inspiring quote from a sermon, or fun pictures of life at Fourth Church, you will find all on our page on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/fourthchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), or scan this QR code).

Why not share at least one with friends this week?



## ENRICHMENT

**Academy for Faith and Life classes** continuing today are “The Laws of Leviticus” at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5E and “Perspectives on Healing and Faith” at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5G.

**Books by Women** will discuss *My Beloved World* by Sonia Sotomayor this Tuesday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room.

**Photo Meditation**, offered through the Replogle Center for Counseling and Well-Being and led by director Tom Schemper, will be held this Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m. in Boyle Conference Room.

**NEXT Church**—which is committed to “sparking imaginations, connecting congregations, and offering a distinctively Presbyterian witness to Jesus Christ”—will be holding its 2015 national gathering at Fourth Church March 16–18. All are invited to register. Details are available at [www.nextchurch.net](http://www.nextchurch.net)

## WORSHIP

**Ted Wardlaw**, President of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will preach at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, March 22.

**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., and Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Morning Prayer** is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Vocalist Christine Mild** will perform this Friday’s free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

**The Choir of King’s College** from Cambridge, England, will be in concert on Tuesday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available through Symphony Center Presents at 312.294.3000 ([www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org)).

**The scaffolding in the South Balcony** will be in place (and the balcony closed to seating) through late March as work is done on the southwest pipe chamber. This is in preparation for the installation of the rebuilt pipe organ, which will take place in late 2015. For details, see [www.fourthchurch.org/music/organ](http://www.fourthchurch.org/music/organ)

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**“Mindful Parenting,”** a monthly series for parents that is led by Sue Schemper, meets today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

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

**“Connect as a Community,”** opportunity for parents to gather for a time of fellowship, will be held next Sunday, March 15 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

*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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A new **Moms' Group** will meet next Wednesday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home in Lincoln Park. To RSVP, contact Matt Helms at [mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org)

A **Family Service Project** will be held at the Greater Chicago Food Depository on Saturday, March 21 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. To RSVP, please contact Matt Helms at [mhelms@fourthchurch.org](mailto:mhelms@fourthchurch.org).

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Runners interested in joining** the 2015 Chicago Lights Marathon Team are asked to contact Kate Solis Silva at [ksolis@chicagolights.org](mailto:ksolis@chicagolights.org). Runners will need to register themselves for the marathon, the lottery for which opens this Tuesday, March 10 at 12:00 noon at [www.chicagomarathon.com](http://www.chicagomarathon.com).

**The deadline to register** for the Guatemala mission trip, led by Tom and Sue Schemper, is Saturday, April 11. Registration forms for this July 12–19 trip are available in the literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html)

**The Benevolent Guild** gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5B of the Gratz Center to create taggies and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

## FELLOWSHIP

**Learn about the organ rebuilding project** at a special event hosted by Fourth Dimension and the CLL. All are invited to hear John Sherer talk about the project on Friday, March 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Borwell Dining Room. To RSVP (required), contact Anne Ellis at [aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11.

**Young Adults** will gather today for discussion about Lent at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A.

**ThirtiesForties' "Faith in Focus"** series continues today at 11:00 a.m. in Room 5F with discussion of faith perspectives on witnessing.

A **Grief Support Group** for those experiencing significant losses meets on Mondays through March 23 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on the third floor of the Parish House. To register for future grief groups, call 312.787.8425.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Tutors** for Chicago Lights Tutoring one evening a week, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

**Members** to serve as hosts for upcoming NEXT conference at Fourth Church

**Audio recording operators** for Sunday morning worship

**Church members to serve** as Nursery caregivers during morning worship

**Book Nook attendants** at Coffee Hour after the 11:00 a.m. service.

**Database entry assistants** onsite at Fourth Church Mondays and Tuesdays

**Members** to host and pass out cider to waiting worshipers prior to 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. services on Easter Sunday

### *Current Donation Needs*

**Clean blankets** for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Share Shop

**Men's and women's sturdy winter clothes**

**Individually wrapped** food items for the Social Service Center's Consumer Choice Food Pantry

*A complete list of volunteer opportunities is available online at [www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/mission/volunteer.html) or by calling Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.*

**CALENDAR FOR MARCH 8–14, 2015**

**Sunday, March 8**

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Victoria G. Curtiss preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal		Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.		Nursery		Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:00 a.m.	Tunes for Tots		Gratz Center, First Floor
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Layton Williams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	9:30 a.m.	“Laws of Leviticus”		Room 5E
	9:30 a.m.	“Mindful Parenting”		Room 4G
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Sunday School		Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
	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 Gathering		Bumpus Room
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Layton Williams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	11:00 a.m.	“Faith in Focus”		Room 5F
	11:00 a.m.	“Healing and Faith”		Room 5G
	12:00 noon	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		Room 5A
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jazz Worship</b>	<b>John W. Vest preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>

**Monday, March 9**

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.		Day School ( <i>also Tuesday–Friday</i> )		Gratz Center, First Floor
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>also Wednesday–Friday</i> )		Stone Chapel
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.		Tutoring ( <i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i> )		Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
	7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group		Parish House, Third Floor

**Tuesday, March 10**

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Bumpus Room
	7:00 p.m.	Photo Meditation		Boyle Conference Room

**Wednesday, March 11**

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.		Labyrinth Walk		Buchanan Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Room 5B
	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Midweek Worship</b>		<b>Buchanan Chapel</b>
	7:30 p.m.	Moms’ Group		Offsite

**Thursday, March 12**

6:00 p.m.		Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary Choir Loft
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**Friday, March 13**

12:10 p.m.		Noonday Concert: Christine Mild		Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.		“Rebuilding the Sanctuary Pipe Organ”		Borwell Dining Room

**Saturday, March 14**

9:00 a.m.		Inquirers’ Class		Room 4F
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**Worship on Sunday, March 15**

8:00 a.m.		Matt Helms preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching
4:00 p.m.		Shannon J. Kershner preaching

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$10. 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.