April 30–May 6, 2017 The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago

News and Opportunities

Worship

Eighth-grade Confirmands are being confirmed today and welcomed into membership during 11:00 a.m. worship.

Ashley-Anne Masters, a pediatric chaplain at Lurie Children's Hospital, will be our guest preacher for the Jazz at Four Communion service this afternoon.

Individuals can lift up prayer concerns with a Deacon in Stone Chapel following 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship. Written prayer requests can be left in the boxes by Stone Chapel, the Narthex, and Commons.

Morning Prayer is held on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Buchanan Chapel as a time to pray for members and those in need.

Sacred Pause, twenty minutes of reflective, meditative silence, is offered on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. in Stone Chapel. **The labyrinth in Buchanan Chapel** is available for walking on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. (*See page 4 for times.*)

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The next service will be held on Friday, May 26 in Buchanan Chapel.

Daily devotions are available via email (sign up at www.bit.ly/fpcdevotions); in the literature racks; and at facebook.com/ fourthchurch and www.fourthchurch.org

Children, Youth, and Family

The annual Family Communion Service will be held today at 12:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Sunday School classes for ages three through grade five meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.



Fourth Church Meals Ministry is in need of donations of single servings of granola bars, chips, pretzels, fruit cups, and other "snacks for sacks." Each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Meals Ministry serves sack lunches in Anderson Hall to our neighbors in need. Nearly 900 snack items are needed weekly to include in those lunches. To find out how you can help fill these bags, stop by the Meals Ministry cart during Coffee Hour today. Youth in grades 6–12 meet for fellowship today at 10:00 a.m. in the Bumpus Room. They will then worship together at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Spring Family Camp will be Friday, May 19–Sunday, May 21 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. For details and to sign up, see www.bit.ly/familycamp17

Youth and their families will go camping Labor Day weekend, September 1–3, at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. For details, go to www.bit.ly/youthcamping17

Fourth Church Day School is accepting applications for its 2017–18 half-day Twos and Preschool classes. For information, contact Kathy Hager (312.640.2579).

Enrichment

"Early Christian Worship," taught by Carol Korak, meets today at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5F.

Weekly Seeds, a Sunday Bible study for women, meets at 9:30 a.m. in Room 5H.

Two new Academy for Faith and Life

classes begin next Sunday morning, May 7: *"The Righteous Mind* by Jonathan Haidt" with Nanette Sawyer at 9:30 a.m. and "Theology of Culture, Discipleship, and the Secular Creed" with Michael Kazanjian at 11:00 a.m.

Books by Women will discuss *The Girls* of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II by Diane Kiernan on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room. **Meditation opportunities** are offered by the Replogle Center on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m in Boyle Conference Room. This week a half-hour introduction to meditation is also offered at 6:30 p.m.

Christian Century **Study Group** meets Wednesday, May 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fellowship

Young Adults meet for their Sunday Gathering time at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A. Details about their May 5–7 retreat are posted at www.bit.ly/yaspring17

The story of our new Andrew Pipe Organ, presented by John Sherer, will be the program at this Friday's dinner hosted by Cornerstones, a gathering of couples fifty and over. RSVP (*required*) by Wednesday May 3: call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or register at www.bit.ly/cfpc0517

To sponsor Coffee Hour in memory or honor of a loved one or special occasion, email Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org

Mission and Outreach

A Healing Service for the Earth will be hosted by the Care of Creation Committee this Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Michigan Avenue courtyard.

A cleaning and gardening day at First Presbyterian Church of Chicago will be held this Saturday, May 6. To help, contact Vicky Curtiss (vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org).

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 Benevolent Guild,** which creates gifts for children in hospitals and shelters, meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in 5B.

Conversations about racial equity are being sponsored citywide by the Chicago Community Trust. To take part in the one hosted by Fourth Church on Wednesday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 4G (with dinner), RSVP by Sunday, May 14 to Vicky Curtiss at vcurtiss@fourthchurch.org

"Introduction to Systemic Racism,"

a training workshop to facilitate conversations about race and racism, will be offered Thursday, May 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room 5G. Email Anne Ellis at aellis@fourthchurch.org by Friday, May 12 for fee details and to register (space is limited).

Open Doors Project Graduation—

celebrating long-term case management participants at the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center—will be held this Thursday, May 4 at 11:30 a.m. in Borwell Dining Room. RSVP to Jackie Lorens at jlorens@fourthchurch.org

To sign up for weekly organic produce

deliveries from the Chicago Lights Urban Farm visit www.bit.ly/clcsa2017

A spring plant sale will take place at the Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago) on Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Music and the Arts

This week's free Friday Noonday Concert features pianist Eugenia Jeong.

The Apollo Chorus will be in concert in the Sanctuary this Friday evening, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.apollochorus.org **To sign up for the South Africa music trip** planned for summer 2018, contact John Sherer (jsherer@fourthchurch.org; 312.981.3592).

The Choral Society rehearses on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. for a May 19 concert of French music. Newcomers are invited to join in singing!

The exhibit of colored-pencil drawings by Rhonda Nass is on display in the Loggia.

Volunteers and Donations

Adult volunteers are needed for youth ministry in 2017–2018. Sign up at www.bit.ly/20apRbZ by April 30.

Men are needed as Shower Ministry greeters on Tuesdays, 1:15–4:00 p.m., on a rotating schedule.

Bread cutters are needed to prepare Communion for the 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. services.

A speech or occupational therapist is needed on a volunteer basis to work with an Urban Farm Intern.

Materials and funds for hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Church World Services are being collected through May 14.

To volunteer, contact Robert Crouch, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (rcrouch@fourthchurch.org).

News and Resources

Connection Corner helps you discover ways to get involved in the life of Fourth Church. Look for the lighted table during 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour.

Calendar for April 30–May 6, 2017

Sunday, April 30		
8:00 a.m.	Worship Victoria G. Curt	
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
9:00, 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Nursery / Day School
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship Shannon J. Kers	hner Sanctuary
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Floor 4
9:30 a.m.	Early Christian Worship	Room 5F
9:30 a.m.	Weekly Seeds Women's Bible Study	Room 5H
10:00 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Bumpus Room
10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.	Time of Prayer with Deacons	Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Youth Worship Together	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Family Communion Service	Buchanan Chapel
12:00 p.m.	Brunch for Confirmation Families	Borwell Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Ashley-Anne Ma	
5:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
Monday, May 1		
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk (also Tues.)	Buchanan Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Monday Night Suppe	
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Room 4F
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Tuesday, May 2		
	Sacred Pause	Stone Chapel
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Meals Ministry Bag Lunches (also We	
6:30 p.m.	Intro to Meditation/Meditation	Boyle Conference Room
Wednesday, May 3		
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Buchanan Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Room 5B
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Group	Randolph Room
6:30 p.m.	Earth Healing Service	Michigan Avenue Courtyard
Thursday, May 4		
11:30 a.m.	Open Doors Project Graduation	Borwell Dining Room
7:00 p.m.	Choral Society Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
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12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Eugenia Jeong, pia	
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Borwell Dining Room
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Spring Retreat	New Buffalo, Michigan
7:00 p.m.	Apollo Chorus Concert	Sanctuary
Saturday, May 6		
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
12:00 to 3:00 p.m.	Volunteer Hours at the Urban Farm	444 W. Chicago
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4:00 p.m.	Nanette Sawyer preaching Jazz Com	imunion

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.