

February 20–26, 2005

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News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

Bible Study opportunities this week:
John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.
Women's, Thursday at 11:30 a.m.
Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

New adult education courses offered by the Academy for Faith and Life begin this week: “Children of Abraham” meets Sundays at 11:00 a.m. (Anderson Hall S. Balcony); “Church Officer Training” will meet Mondays at 7:00 p.m. (Randolph Room). Classes continuing today include “Introduction to Church History, Part 2” (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and “T. S. Eliot and “The Fog of War”” (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

“A Different Picture: Common Illnesses in Older Adults” is the title of a discussion offered by the Center for Whole Health this Tuesday, February 22 at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

“Working Virtuously: Rediscovering a Value System for Business and Civic Life,” a five-week series offered through the Crossroads Center, continues this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at Old St. Patrick's Church (700 W. Adams). The final forum will be held at Fourth Church on March 9 and will feature James Forbes Jr. as the speaker. For information, visit www.Crossroads-center.org or call 312.831.9350.

“It's Not All about Me?!,” a Lenten retreat led by Bill Golderer, will take place this Friday evening and Saturday, February 25 and 26 at the church. To register, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or stop by Coffee Hour.

“Building Relationships for Life” is this week's topic in the “Building Skills for a Successful Job Search” offered by the Career Transitions Center and held on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. at the Chicago Temple (77 W. Washington).

Two new support groups are being offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center: a group for those dealing with grief over a significant loss will meet Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. beginning March 1, and a group for those dealing with divorce will meet Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. beginning March 2. For details or to register, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

“Thinking Of Starting Your Own Business?” is the title of an eight-week seminar offered by the Career Transitions Center of Chicago, a program supported by Fourth Church. Beginning March 1, this seminar will meet Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Career Transitions Center (703 W. Monroe). To register, call 312.906.9908.

Books by Women, a women's book group, next meets on Tuesday, March 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room. The topic of discussion will be *Girl in Hyacinth Blue* by Susan Vreeland.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The church's application for the joint development and sale of air rights is now ready for hearing by the city. At this stage in the process, it is critical that the alderman and the mayor hear from supporters. The Project Light Leadership Team has a table in Coffee Hour where you can sign or write a letter in support of the project. Please take the time to stop by.

A limited number of videotapes and DVDs of the 8:30 p.m. 2004 Christmas Eve service, as televised by CBS, are available during Coffee Hour.

Lenten devotions, written by Fourth Church members and staff, are available by e-mail, at www.fourthchurch.org, and in a printed booklet available in the literature racks.

FELLOWSHIP

Fourth Acts meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room to view the tape of the Fourth Acts performance of *The Crucible*.

Cornerstones, a gathering of couples over the age of 50, will meet next Sunday, February 27 at 11:15 a.m. at Gibson's Steak House (1028 N. Rush).

New Faith Builder Groups begin in March. For information, contact Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369 (acrow@fourthchurch.org).

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

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WORSHIP

Wednesday evening worship during Lent is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

The Junior High Academy Class meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Confirmation Class (grade 8) meets today at 9:15 a.m. in the Crow's Nest and will then go to Holy Name Cathedral. The group will return to the church at 12:15 p.m.

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets today at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 1:00 p.m. in the Crow's Nest for a discussion of love and relationships.

The Fourth Church family skating party will take place tonight from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Daley Bicentennial Plaza (337 E. Randolph).

The Jabberwocky Marionettes will present "The Dinosaur Circus" at the Fourth Church Day School Benefit, which begins at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 5 in Westminster House (performance begins at 10:30 a.m.). Admission is free; donations to the Day School Scholarship Fund will be accepted and total donations up to \$15,000 will be matched by a friend of the school. For information, contact Ruth Hornaday, Director of the Day School, at 312.640.2579.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The current art exhibit, "The Dream Revisited II: The Dream and the World," explores Dr. King's dream of freedom.

The Civic Orchestra of Chicago Musicians will perform a free concert today at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Dave Brubeck Quartet and the Fourth Church Morning Choir will perform on Thursday, March 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.ticketweb.com or by calling Beverly Escuder at the church at 312.981.3595.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Information on the Campaign for School-Funding Reform in Illinois will be available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour. Letters urging Governor Blagojevich to make this issue a top priority will also be available.

An information session for upcoming Fourth Church mission trips will be held today in the Activity Center following 11:00 worship.

Applications for mission trips to Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations (April 15–20) and to Borderlinks (May 8–15) are due March 1. Details about these and other Fourth Church-sponsored mission trips are available in brochures in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

Dr. Gino Strada, author of *Green Parrots: A War Surgeon's Diary* and founder of Emergency, a program that aids civilian victims of war, will speak on Tuesday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For more information, call Breisa Youman at the church at 312.573.3364.

Did You Know . . .

Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church assists approximately 8,000 individuals in the Chicago community each year, including 2,700 adults who are homeless or living in poverty; 2,500 people seeking access to health care; 2,000 children from economically disadvantaged neighborhoods; and 200 seniors.

For more information about the ways in which Chicago Lights touches our community, read the upcoming issue of News@FourthChurch later this week (subscribe by sending addresses to news@fourthchurch.org) and the Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Helpers for Kids' Cafe, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., one afternoon a week

Computer-savvy person to make digital recordings of Academy classes, 9:00 to 10:50 a.m. on Sundays; training provided

Drivers to pick up donated food and deliver to a homeless shelter

Nurses to staff a free clinic in an Uptown area shelter, Tuesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Two new or like-new laptop computers to be given to a small Presbyterian church in Cuba

Gloves, mittens, scarves, and hats for underprivileged children

Gently used children's books

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 20–26, 2005

Sunday, February 20		
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary
9:15 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Parish House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Academy Class	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Large Conference Room
10:45 p.m.	Junior Highs	Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Crow's Nest
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Parish House
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Westminster House
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Fourth Acts	Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Fellowship	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Mission Trip Information Meeting	Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs	Page Smith Room
3:00 p.m.	Concert: The Civic Orchestra of Chicago Musicians	Randolph Room
5:00 p.m.	Family Skating Party	Activity Center
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Carol J. Allen preaching
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Crow's Nest
		Sanctuary
		Anderson Hall
Monday, February 21		
9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
Tuesday, February 22		
5:30 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Workshop	Page Smith Room
Wednesday, February 23		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
7:30 p.m.	Lenten Midweek Worship	Blair Chapel
Thursday, February 24		
11:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, February 25		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Marcia Van Oyen, organ	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	"It's Not All about Me?!" Lenten Retreat	(see announcement)
7:30 p.m.	Taizé	Blair Chapel
Saturday, February 26		
8:30 a.m.	"It's Not All about Me?!" Lenten Retreat	(see announcement)

Preaching on Sunday, February 27

John M. Buchanan 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
John A. Cairns 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.00. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.