

# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

A **congregational meeting**, called by the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church, takes place today following 11:00 worship. The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee will present its report, and the corporation will meet to consider a minor change to the bylaws. Nursery care will be extended so parents can attend the meeting.

## LENT AND EASTER

### **Palm Sunday and Easter Worship**

#### **Palm Sunday, April 1**

8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m.

#### **Easter Sunday, April 8**

6:30 a.m.

Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach

8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Easter Service with Tower Brass

9:30 a.m.

Children's Service  
in Westminster House

6:30 p.m.

Jazz Vespers Service

*The last morning worship service begins at 11:30 a.m. on these Sundays. Please also be prepared for possible delays in entering and exiting the parking garages as a result of increased traffic volume.*

**This Monday, March 26, is the deadline to memorialize or honor loved ones** by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those remembered and honored will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks and on the website or by calling Judi DeJager at the church at 312.274.3833.

**Midweek Lenten worship** takes place each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will take place Tuesday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

**Children participating in the Palm Sunday Processional** at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. next Sunday, April 1 should meet in their Sunday School classrooms prior to worship. Parents who wish to carry their infants and toddlers in the processional should meet in the Loggia fifteen minutes before worship. Seating for returning parents will be reserved in the balconies.

**During Holy Week**, April 2–6, worship services will be held each day at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary, with a lunch following in Anderson Hall. On Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, there will also be services at 7:30 p.m.

### **The Good Friday Walk for Justice**

sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a member, will take place Friday, April 6. Those walking should gather at Holy Family Lutheran Church (542 W. Hobbie) at 4:00 p.m. The walk will conclude with worship at Holy Family.

**Daily Lenten Devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff are available by e-mail (new subscribers should send addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), in a printed booklet available in the church literature racks, and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**Easter Brunch** will take place on Sunday, April 8 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available at Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

## **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

### ***Volunteer Needs***

**Servers for Easter Brunch**

**Monthly office assistant** for Fourth Church Sunday School

**Tutors for children** in a Fourth Church program on weekdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

### ***Current Donation Needs***

**Men's casual winter clothes** in large sizes  
**Cell phones and empty toner and ink cartridges** to benefit a nonprofit agency serving homeless and formerly homeless women

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

## **WORSHIP**

**A Vespers Communion service** is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tonight those who wish to do so may participate in the Christian rituals of laying on of hands and anointing with oil as the gathered community prays for wholeness.

**Morning prayer** is held each weekday at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

**A prayer service in the style of Taizé** is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, April 27.

## **CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY**

**Sunday School meets today** at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

**Fourth Church Rising** (Confirmation) meets today at 9:00 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

**Elevation** (grades 6–8) Sunday School meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Manse followed by fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

**Senior Highs** (grades 9–12) meets today at 11:45 a.m. at the Chestnut Street entrance. The group will return to the church by 3:00 p.m.

**Fourth Church youth will host a Pancake Breakfast** on Sunday, April 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Pancakes, eggs, and sausage will be served. Proceeds benefit the Senior High Work Camp trip.

*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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## ENRICHMENT

### **Bible Study opportunities:**

*John Knox*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

*Older Adults*, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

**Today's Academy for Faith and Life classes** are "*The Responsible Self* by **Richard H. Niebuhr**," taught by Joyce Shin (Anderson Hall N. Balcony B), "**Wrestling with Scripture: Jesus and Money**," taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), and "**A Lenten Journey through Art**," taught by Judy Barter and Ali Trowbridge (Anderson Hall N. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m. and "**Faith in the Age of Reason: The Theology of Blaise Pascal**," taught by Randall Zachman (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), and "**Race Matters**," taught by Keith Harris and Patrick Daymond (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 11:00 a.m.

"**Aromatherapy: Engaging Our Sense of Smell**," an information session offered by the Center for Whole Health, will take place Tuesday, March 27. The presentation begins at 12:00 noon; those who want to enjoy lunch fellowship are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch to the Page Smith Room at 11:30 a.m.

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Bob Reynolds, Executive Presbyterian of the Presbytery of Chicago, will be speaking.

**The Graduate and Undergraduate College Connection** groups will meet next Sunday, April 1 at 4:30 p.m.

"**Books by Women**" will meet Tuesday, April 3 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *How to be Lost* by Amanda Eyre Ward.

**Cornerstones** will meet next on Friday, April 13 for a private tour of the Chinese-American Museum of Chicago followed by dinner at a Chinatown restaurant. John Rogers, President of the Midwest US-China Association, will be the dinner speaker. To RSVP, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

**The Pilgrim Baptist Choir** will perform at Fourth Church on Friday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. All are invited to this program sponsored by Fourth Dimension.

**A time of fellowship for mothers who wish to explore the spiritual aspects of motherhood** will be offered on Mondays, beginning April 16, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in a member's home. Child care will be provided. For more information, contact Carol Allerton at the church at 312.640.5448.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Information about increasing social and economic aid to Colombia in order to reduce military aid**, as well as postcards to sign, is available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

**Volunteers are needed to tie blue bows** on the trees outside the church on Monday, April 2 in observance of Child Abuse Awareness Month. Those who can volunteer, even for a brief period, are asked to contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

"**Look and Leave: New Orleans in the Wake of Katrina**," an exhibition of photographs by Jane Fulton Alt, is on display in the Loggia through April 15. Photos from Fourth Church mission trips to the Gulf Coast are on display in the Gallery during the month of March.

**CALENDAR FOR MARCH 25–31, 2007**

**Sunday, March 25**

7:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
8:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Fourth Church Rising	Crow's Nest
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Elevation Sunday School	Manse
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
9:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Elevation Fellowship	Crow's Nest
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
11:45 a.m.	Senior Highs	Chestnut St. Entrance
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Vespers</b> <b>Alice M. Trowbridge preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

**Monday, March 26**

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Center for Life and Learning Minicourse	Westminster Computer Lab

**Tuesday, March 27**

12:00 p.m.	"Aromatherapy: Engaging Our Sense of Smell"	Page Smith Room
6:30 p.m.	Interfaith Passover Seder	<i>(see announcement)</i>

**Wednesday, March 28**

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Midweek Worship</b>	<b>Blair Chapel</b>

**Thursday, March 29**

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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**Friday, March 30**

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Seth Beckman, piano Jeffrey Keesecker, bassoon	Sanctuary

***Preaching on Palm Sunday, April 1***

John M. Buchanan	8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m.
John H. Boyle	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. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.