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**FOURTH**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
**CHURCH**  
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September 30–October 6, 2007

# News and Opportunities

## WORSHIP

**Fourth Church will welcome guest preacher Tom Taylor** to the pulpit next Sunday morning. Since January, Pastor Taylor has been serving as the PCUSA General Assembly Council's Deputy Executive Director for Mission.

**A Vespers Communion service** is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tonight's service will be a special observance of the nationwide "God, Not Guns" Sabbath, a weekend commemorating the lives lost to gun violence and renewing the commitment of faith communities to a vision of a peaceable neighborhood, city, and world.

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

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the boxes located outside Stone Chapel, at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour, at the reception desk, and in the Narthex. They also can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

**A prayer service in the style of Taizé** is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The next service is Friday, October 26.

**Daily devotions** written by Fourth Church staff are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org).

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**All are invited to greet Fourth Church members Rob and Sandy Holben** during Coffee Hour today to welcome Rob to his new position as Director of Business Administration for Fourth Church.

**A reception in honor of Tassos Malliaris**, recognizing the thirtieth anniversary of his teaching the weekly John Knox Bible Study, will be held during Coffee Hour following 11:00 worship. All are invited to join in the celebration of Dr. Malliaris's teaching ministry.

**This is the final Sunday to complete nominating forms** for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee. Forms are available in the pew racks and the literature racks. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

**Directions on the easiest ways to get to Fourth Church on October 7**, the day of the Chicago Marathon, can be found at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Opportunity International**, a Christian mission that provides opportunities for people in poverty by offering small business loans and job training, is the topic of a program and brunch taking place today at 12:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Activity Center.

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.** The purple ribbons on the trees outside the Manse are in remembrance of all men, women, and children affected by domestic violence. Two art exhibits also raising awareness of this issue will be on display in the Loggia throughout the month.

**The Benevolent Guild**, a Women@Fourth Connect group that creates toys and treats for needy children, returns to work on Wednesday, October 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For more information, contact Anne Ellis at the church at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

**Life Line vascular health screenings**, sponsored by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church, will be offered Friday, October 5 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Registration is required and appointments fill quickly. To register, call 1.800.643.6075.

**Mission Trip Sunday is next Sunday, October 7.** During Coffee Hour, participants from previous Fourth Church mission trips will be on hand to talk about their experiences, and information about the trips planned for 2008 will be available as well.

**The 2007 Crop Walk** will take place on Sunday, October 21. The kickoff is at 2:00 p.m. at the University of Illinois, Chicago. For more information, to make a donation, or to register for the walk, stop by Coffee Hour or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html).

## ENRICHMENT

**Today's adult education opportunities**, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are **"Introduction to Judaism,"** taught by Evan Moffic (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 8:00 a.m.; **"Introduction to the Bible,"** taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m.; and **"The Gift of Power: Corruption and Charisma,"** taught by John Boyle (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), **"Adventures in Poetry,"** led by Judy Valente and Charles Reynard (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), and **Theological Roundtable**, (Anderson Hall N. Balcony B), at 11:00 a.m. Participants can register in the classroom.

**Weekly Bible Study opportunities:**  
*John Knox*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.  
*Life and Learning*, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study** begins this Wednesday, October 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room. This group gathers twice a month for in-depth discussion. For more information, call Christina Wollerman at 312.573.3364.

**"Books by Women"** will discuss *The Madonnas of Leningrad* by Debra Dean on Tuesday, October 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

*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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**“Spirituality and Belonging,”** a four-week minicourse offered by the Center for Life and Learning and led by John Boyle and Carol Allen, will meet on Mondays at 3:00 p.m., beginning October 1. To sign up or for more information, contact the CLL at 312.981.3386.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**“The Redemption Series,”** an art exhibition featuring abstract photographs reflecting grace, is on display in the Gallery through October 23

**Pianist Soyung Kee** will perform Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Volunteer Needs*

**Tutors** for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one night a week, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

**Vespers bread cutter** on the third Sunday of the month

**Ushers for Vespers** on a rotating schedule

### *Current Donation Needs*

**Low-sodium and sugar-free canned goods** for guests of the Elam Davies Social Service Center

**Men’s casual clothes**, especially jeans and belts in larger sizes

**Cell phones, empty toner and ink cartridges** to benefit a nonprofit agency serving homeless and formerly homeless women

**New and gently used children’s books** for nonprofit agencies

*For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at the church at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).*

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

**Moms’ Group**, a time to meet new moms and explore the spiritual aspects of motherhood, meets Thursday, October 4, from 10:00 to 12:00 noon in a member’s home. Child care will be provided. For more information, call Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448.

**Cornerstones** will meet on Friday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Ed Uhlir, Executive Director of Millennium Park, Inc., will discuss “Millennium Park: Past, Present, and Future.” For more information or to RSVP, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

**Elevation** (grades 6 and 7) meets today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Manse basement.

**Fourth Church Rising** (Confirmation) meets today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

**Senior Highs** (grades 9–12) meets today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Crow’s Nest.

**Fall Family Camp** will be held the weekend of October 5–7 at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan. For more information or to RSVP, call Emilie Syberg in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578.

**CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 30–OCTOBER 6, 2007**

**Sunday, September 30**

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 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
<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	Westminister House and Manse
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Elevation	Manse Basement
10:30 a.m.	Fourth Church Rising	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
<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	Westminister House and Manse
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Opportunity International Brunch and Lecture	Activity Center
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>Adam Fronczek preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

**Monday, October 1**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
3:00 p.m.	"Spirituality and Belonging" Minicourse	Randolph Room
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room

**Tuesday, October 2**

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours (Tuesday–Friday)	Chicago Avenue Garden

**Wednesday, October 3**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Bible Study	Large Conference Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

**Thursday, October 4**

10:00 a.m.	Moms' Group	<i>(see announcement)</i>
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

**Friday, October 5**

9:00 a.m.	Life Line Vascular Health Screenings	Anderson Hall
10:00 a.m.	Center for Life and Learning Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Soyoung Kee, piano	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Anderson Hall

**Saturday, October 6**

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours	Chicago Avenue Garden
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***Preaching on World Communion Sunday, October 7***

Tom Taylor	8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Calum I. MacLeod	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.