

October 5–11, 2008

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**FOURTH
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CHURCH**
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News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today is Mission Trip Sunday. Stop by Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour to learn about the trips scheduled for 2009. Applications for the Iowa mission trip (November 6–10) are due October 15; applications for trips to Mississippi (December 28–January 3) and Colombia (February 6–15) are due November 3.

Information about biodiversity, habitat preservation, and other topics celebrating the creatures of God's creation is available during Coffee Hour today.

Information about mental health conditions and insurance coverage is available today during Coffee Hour at the at the Center for Whole Health table.

The purple bows on the Michigan Avenue trees represent the thousands of individuals who are victims of domestic violence each year. Also in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Silent Witness Project is on display in Coffee Hour and the Clothesline Project is on display in the Loggia.

The 2008 CROP Walk to alleviate global hunger will take place Sunday, October 19 at the University of Illinois Chicago (750 S. Halsted St.). To donate or sign up to walk, stop by the Mission table or visit www.chicagocropwalk.org.

ANNUAL APPEAL

We are deeply grateful to those who have returned giving response cards for the 2009 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. To date, we have received \$473,047 in gift intents, from 83 households, toward our \$6.3 million goal. For more information, stop by the display during Coffee Hour, visit www.fourthchurch.org/2009appeal, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries at 312.981.3380.

The visual display for the 2009 Annual Appeal, located in Anderson Hall, represents the progress of the appeal; as more households participate and we move closer to achieving our goals, the lights will continue to rise and sparkle.

ENRICHMENT

Today's adult education opportunities, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "**The Book of Genesis,**" taught by Tom Dozeman (Page Smith Room), "**Financial Stewardship,**" taught by Lisa Radetski (Anderson Hall North Balcony), and "**Can You Be a Church without Doctrine?**" taught by Nanette Sawyer and John W. Vest (Anderson Hall South Balcony), at 9:30 a.m.; and "**Bible Stories You Should Know,**" taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall South Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

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.

Men's Morning Bible study meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. Call Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 for details.

"How Grief Works and How to Do Your Own Grief Work," an information session led by John Boyle, will be held this Monday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Counseling Center. A grief support group will meet on subsequent Mondays. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

Books by Women will meet this Tuesday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards.

Native American spirituality will be the topic of a presentation by Tillie Black Bear, a member of the Sicangu Lakota Nation/Rosebud Sioux tribe, on Sunday, October 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the Dining Room. Later that day, at 12:15 p.m., she will talk about **"Healthy Relationships and Healthy Families: Crosscultural Perspectives for Healthy World"** at a luncheon in the Page Smith Room. To RSVP for the lunch program, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

Speakers from the Democratic and Republican parties will join members and guests of the Center for Life and Learning at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 14 and Thursday, October 16 for conversation about election issues. For reservation information, contact Laura Darby at the Center at 312.981.3386.

"The Importance of Peace in a Violent World" will be the topic of a presentation by the Reverend Diego Higuera of Colombia next Sunday, October 12 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. RSVP to Sergio Soltero at 312.573.3369.

The Community Book Group will discuss Shane Claiborne's *The Irresistible Revolution: Living as an Ordinary Radical* on October 28 at 7:00 p.m.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

Fourth Church youth meet today from 10:20 a.m. to 12:00 noon. **Elevation** (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement, **Fourth Church Rising** (grade 8 confirmation) meets in the Page Smith Room, and **Senior Highs** (grades 9–12) meet in the Crow's Nest. Youth and their families are invited to attend a **luncheon** at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room.

"Embracing Parents," an informal discussion group that centers on pertinent issues parents face, begins today at 11:00 a.m. in the Tutoring Library. Child psychologist Anne Updegrave will facilitate the conversation.

Family Camp will take place this Friday, October 10 to Sunday, October 12 in Saugatuck, Michigan.

The children's musical, *Are We There Yet?*, the story of Moses and the Exodus, will be performed Friday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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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FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering for individuals age twenty-two to thirty-five meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room for a program about healthy relationships.

Fourth Dimension, a gathering of individual adults forty-seven and older, will meet on Friday, October 10 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a presentation by Art Institute President, James Cuno.

“Icons, Theology, and Color,” a Men’s Group presentation led by Bruce Rigdon, will take place Saturday, October 11 at 8:00 a.m. RSVP for breakfast before 12:00 noon on Friday, October 10 by calling 312.787.4570. All are welcome.

An All-Church Fall Social will take place Friday, October 24 from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets are available today during Coffee Hour and, during the week, at the reception desk. Those attending are asked to bring a canned food item to donate.

Families who are expecting or have had a baby in the last six months are invited to a celebration luncheon Sunday, October 26 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, contact Sergio Soltero at the church at 312.573.3369.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today an estate and wills seminar for young adults will take place at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Child care will be provided.

Directions and the easiest routes to get to Fourth Church on October 12, the day of the Chicago Marathon, can be found in the October issue of *Fourth Press* and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Curator Sue Pellowe will lead a walk-through of current art exhibitions today, beginning in the Loggia at 12:30 p.m.

Fourth Church’s commissioned icon, “Angels of the Sign,” will be on display during Coffee Hour today; there will be opportunity to order copies.

Fourth Acts will perform *The Road to Mecca* on Saturday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 19 at 1:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

WORSHIP

“Gathering All Nations” is the theme of a multicultural worship service that will be held today at 4:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Evanston.

A **Vespers Communion Service** is held Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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 the chapel or pray there with a deacon at 12:00 noon.

Fourth Church will welcome guest preacher Deborah Kapp to the pulpit next Sunday, October 12 for 9:30 and 11:00 worship.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Church members to staff the Book Nook cart during coffee hours
Tutors for the Tutoring program; meet weekly for 1½ hours

Visit the Volunteer Table today during Coffee Hour for a list of additional needs.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 5–11, 2008

Sunday, October 5

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John H. Boyle preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Mission Trip Sunday/Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes	Anderson Hall Balconies
10:30 a.m.	Mission Sunday/Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs	<i>(see announcement)</i>
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Academy Class	Anderson Hall South Balcony
11:00 a.m.	"Embracing Parents" Discussion Group	Tutoring Library
12:00 p.m.	Mission Trip Sunday/Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Page Smith Room
12:15 p.m.	Youth and Family Luncheon	Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	Wills and Estates Seminar for Young Adults	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Art Exhibition Walk-Through	Loggia
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Joann H. Lee preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

Monday, October 6

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
7:00 p.m.	"How Grief Works"	Counseling Center

Tuesday, October 7

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Large Conference Room

Wednesday, October 8

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, October 9

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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Friday, October 10

10:00 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: DePaul Trumpet Ensemble	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Anderson Hall

Saturday, October 11

8:00 a.m.	Men's Group	Dining Room
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Preaching on Sunday, October 12

Alice M. Trowbridge	8:00 a.m.
Deborah Kapp	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Adam Fronczek	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sunday mornings at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, at the rate of \$7.00 for three hours 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 for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.