

October 19–25, 2008

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News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

A Domestic Violence Vespers Service for Remembrance, Healing, and Hope takes place today at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

A service in the style of Taizé will take place this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel, as it does each fourth Friday of the month.

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 an opportunity to pray for those in need.

A labyrinth walk will be held on All Saints' Day, Saturday, November 1, in Anderson Hall. The walk will be available between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring a photo of a loved one who has died and walk in that person's memory.

All Saints' Sunday is November 2, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2008 will be read during morning worship. In the evening, the Morning Choir will sing *Requiem* by John Rutter as part of Vespers.

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.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

All are invited to a reception in honor of Victoria G. Curtiss in Anderson Hall following 11:00 worship today. During that service Vicky will be installed as Associate Pastor for Mission.

The "Refreshing the Vision" long-range planning process for Fourth Church is underway. For details, pick up a copy of the letter e-mailed to News@FourthChurch subscribers, which is available in the Narthex and at www.fourthchurch.org/vision.html. Questions or suggestions for the steering committee can be e-mailed to vision@fourthchurch.org.

Two seminars for care in these financial times will be offered Saturday, November 1 in Anderson Hall: a financial management seminar will be held from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., presented by the Financial Management Ministry Team, and "Coping in Times of Chaos," presented by Lorene Replogle Counseling Center staff from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. RSVP to Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448.

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 \$844,860 in gift intents, from 186 households, toward our \$6.3 million goal. For details, stop by the display during Coffee Hour, visit www.fourthchurch.org/2009appeal.html, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Fourth Acts will perform *The Road to Mecca* today at 1:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

Violinist Yoko Yamanaga will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Swedish all-male chorus Orphei Dränger will be in concert on Tuesday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (312.294.3000).

Requiem by **John Rutter** will be sung by the Morning Choir as part of the All Saints' Sunday Vespers service on November 2.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Fourth Church youth meet today from 10:30 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.

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

The Smorgasbord of Schools takes place Sunday, November 4 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Stop by to learn about educational opportunities.

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 N. Balcony), and "Can You Be a Church without Doctrine?" taught by Nanette Sawyer and John W. Vest (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m.; and "Bible Stories You Should Know," taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

Two new academy classes will begin next week: "Theology and My Body," taught by Joyce Shin, on Sunday, October 26 at 9:30 a.m. and "Writing as Spiritual Practice," taught by Diane Stephens, on Thursday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m.

John Buchanan will discuss his new book, *A New Church for a New World*, on Friday mornings October 24 and 31 at 7:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall.

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.

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.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

“**The Emerging Church**” will be the topic of a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Brian McLaren and Diana Butler Bass will be the featured speakers at this event, sponsored by McCormick Theological Seminary. The next forum, “**Who Owns Antiquity?**,” presented by Art Institute President James Cuno, will take place Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

The Community Book Group will discuss *The Irresistible Revolution: Living as an Ordinary Radical* by John Claiborne on Tuesday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room; John W. Vest will lead the conversation.

Books by Women will meet Tuesday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *The Soldier's Heart* by Elizabeth Samet.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Tutoring program, especially for Wednesday evenings as there is a waiting list of children
Audio operator to record occasional services in the sanctuary during the week; training provided

Current Donation Needs

Infants' and children's clothes, strollers, cribs, car seats, and books to benefit the patients of a nonprofit clinic
Cell phones to be recycled by a nonprofit program benefiting women who are homeless

For a list of additional needs, visit the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

The 2008 CROP Walk to alleviate global hunger will take place today at the University of Illinois Chicago (750 S. Halsted St.). Those interested can still sign-up to walk. Transportation will be provided to and from the event; meet at the Chestnut Street entrance at 1:00 p.m.

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 in the Loggia.

Chicago Lights Holiday Cards, designed by Tutoring students, are available during Coffee Hour, online at www.chicagolights.org, and at the reception desk; all proceeds benefit the Chicago Lights Tutoring program.

FELLOWSHIP

Adults sixty and over are invited to take a day trip to Lake Geneva with the Chicago Lights Center for Life and Learning this Wednesday, October 22. RSVP to Patricia Amis at 312.981.3386.

The All-Church Fall Social has been cancelled. Tickets may be refunded by contacting Sergio Soltero at 312.573.3369 (ssoltero@fourthchurch.org).

A Great Expectations Baby Shower for families who are expecting or have had a baby in the last six months will take place Sunday, October 26 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP for lunch, contact Sergio Soltero at 312.573.3369.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 19–25, 2008

Sunday, October 19

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	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.	Academy Classes		Anderson Hall Balconies
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir		Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Dining Room
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
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	<i>Road to Mecca</i>		Blair Chapel
1:00 p.m.	CROP Walk		<i>(see announcement)</i>
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	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, October 20

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, October 21

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
7:30 p.m.	Orphei Dränger Concert	Sanctuary

Wednesday, October 22

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

Friday, October 24

7:30 a.m.	John Buchanan: <i>A New Church for a New World</i>	Anderson Hall
10:00 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Yoko Yamanaga	Sanctuary
3:30 p.m.	Serving Fourth Friday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
7:30 p.m.	Taizé Worship Service	Blair Chapel

Preaching on Sunday, October 26

John M. Buchanan 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Sarah A. Johnson 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.