

February 15–21, 2009

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# News and Opportunities

## LENT

**Ash Wednesday services** will be held on Wednesday, February 25 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m., with Communion and the opportunity for imposition of ashes as part of both services.

**Daily Lenten devotions** written by Fourth Church members and staff will be available beginning Sunday, February 22 in the church literature racks, by e-mail (simply send e-mail addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**A Lenten labyrinth walk** will be held on Friday, February 27 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. The walk takes approximately 20 minutes.

**A Lenten Taizé service** will be held on Friday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. A Taizé service is held each fourth Friday of the month.

## WORSHIP

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 12:00 noon or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

**A Vespers Communion service** is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

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

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School** classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**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) meets in the Crow's Nest.

**“Embracing Parents,”** a discussion group that centers on issues parents face, will meet Sunday, March 1 in the Tutoring Library at 9:30 a.m. and will be led by child psychologist Anne Updegrave.

**The annual Day School Benefit** will take place on Saturday, March 7. The event begins at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster House with a time for fellowship and continues from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. with a performance by musician Jim Gill.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**The 139th Annual Meeting of the congregation** will be held Sunday, February 22 following 11:00 worship. All members are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided during the meeting. After that meeting, all are invited to an intergenerational congregational lunch hosted in Anderson Hall.

**A “Finding Work without Losing Heart”** retreat will be offered by the Career Transitions Center March 4–5. Brochures are available in the literature racks. For additional details or to register, contact the Center, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, at 312.906.9908 ([www.ctcchicago.org](http://www.ctcchicago.org)).

**Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources** for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. Those who would like information about available resources are encouraged to contact Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 ([atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org](mailto:atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org)).

**Those who have a loved one serving in the armed forces** are invited to pass along that person’s name so we might keep those individuals in our prayers and reach out to them and their families. Names can be given to Carol Allerton in the Pastoral Care office at 312.640.5448.

**A special offering** to provide support for Christians in Gaza was received on Sunday, January 18. The \$5,665 given will be sent to Bethlehem Bible College, which a 2007 Fourth Church mission trip had opportunity to visit.

*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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## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Intuit Café assistants** once a week from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. before the Tutoring program; obtain a list of responsibilities at the Volunteer table

**Tutors** for the Tutoring program, especially on Tuesday and Thursday evenings

**Audio operator** to record occasional services during the week

*For a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table.*

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**The annual Mission Benefit, Carnival**, will take place Friday, February 20 and supports the programs of Chicago Lights and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. Drawing tickets for a chance to win a 2009 Smart car are available during Coffee Hour. Visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org) for details and to access the online auction. To learn more about supporting the benefit, contact Allison Graham at 312.981.3596 ([agraham@fourthchurch.org](mailto:agraham@fourthchurch.org)).

**Mission trip applications for the Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations trip (June 22–27) and the Guatemala trip (July 25–August 2, led by Tom and Sue Schemper)** are due Monday, March 16. Details about the trips as well as the application form are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html).

**Information about expanding children’s health insurance** is available at the Mission Table today during Coffee Hour.

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

**“The Impact of Mission Trips: Our Cameroon Experience”** will be the topic of a presentation given by members Cris and Ken Ohr on Friday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. All are invited to this event hosted by Cornerstones. Reservations, which are required, can be made by calling the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 before March 3.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Organist David Schelat** will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

## ENRICHMENT

**Today’s adult education opportunities**, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are “The Book of Isaiah,” taught by Tom Dozeman and hosted by the John Knox Bible Study (Page Smith Room), “Called to Mission: How Your Own Call Might Find Expression in the Work of Fourth Church,” taught by Vicky Curtiss (Anderson Hall N. Balcony), “Introduction to the Dead Sea Scrolls,” taught by Adam Rose (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m.; and “For the Bible Tells Me So: Bible Stories You Should Know . . . Continues,” taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m. Course descriptions are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html).

### **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 Bible Study** meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details and to RSVP, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

***Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*** will be shown on Tuesday, February 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room as part of a CLL-sponsored Paul Newman Film Series. All men and women sixty and over are invited to this free event.

**A support group for those dealing with grief and loss** will be held at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Mondays beginning February 23 at 7:00 p.m.; this group will be led by John Boyle and will meet through March 30. For details and to register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

**“Understanding Memory Loss”** is the topic of a discussion that will be led by Paula Krupka, RN of the White Crane Wellness Center, on Tuesday, February 24 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. Participants are invited to bring a lunch at 11:30 a.m. for a time of fellowship.

**The Community Book Group** meets Tuesday, February 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room to discuss *Home* by Marilynne Robinson. Calum MacLeod will lead the conversation.

**“Living Mindfully”** will be the topic of this year’s Midwinter Conference hosted by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Saturday, February 28 at Fourth Church. For details or to register, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or call the Center at 312.787.8425.

**AARP tax preparation assistance** will be provided courtesy of the CLL on Thursdays and Fridays through April 10. All are welcome to take part in this free service. To make an appointment, call the infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 368.

**CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 15–21, 2009**

**Sunday, February 15**

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John H. Boyle preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Joyce Shin preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes		Anderson Hall Balconies
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Senior Highs, Fourth Church Rising		<i>(see announcement)</i>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Joyce Shin preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Academy Class		Anderson Hall S. Balcony
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
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
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper		Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Anderson Hall
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Vespers</b>	<b>Adam Fronczek preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>

**Monday, February 16**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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**Tuesday, February 17**

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	<i>Cat on a Hot Tin Roof</i>	Page Smith Room

**Wednesday, February 18**

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class (also Friday)	Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

**Friday, February 20**

9:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: David Schelat	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Mission Benefit	<i>(see announcement)</i>

***Preaching on Sunday, February 22***

Alice M. Trowbridge	8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
John W. Vest	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.