

March 1–7, 2009

A LIGHT IN THE CITY  
**FOURTH  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**  
www.fourthchurch.org

# News and Opportunities

## ENRICHMENT

**Today's adult education opportunities**, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "The Book of Isaiah" (Page Smith Room), "Called to Mission" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony), and "Introduction to the Dead Sea Scrolls" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m.; and "For the Bible Tells Me So: Bible Stories You Should Know . . . Continues" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m. New courses begin next Sunday: "Who Was Jesus?" (taught by Tom Rook) and "Military Service People and Their Families" at 9:30 a.m., and "Happiness" (taught by John Boyle) at 11:00 a.m.

**Weekly Bible Study opportunities:**  
*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. To RSVP, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

**Books by Women** will meet this Tuesday, March 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay. All are invited.

**An eight-session T'ai Chi class** will begin Thursday, March 5 at 5:00 p.m. To register or for information about class fees, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

A "Triumph over Cancer" support session for those living with cancer will be offered Tuesday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m. and is sponsored by the Center for Whole Health. For details, call the Triumph over Cancer Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

## 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, Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow's Nest, and Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) and parents will meet in the Page Smith Room for Parents' Day. The monthly Youth and Family Luncheon will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room.

"**Embracing Parents,**" an informal discussion group that centers on pertinent issues parents face, will meet today at 9:30 a.m. in the Tutoring Library. Child psychologist Anne Updegrave will facilitate the conversation.

**The annual Day School Benefit** will take place this 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.

**The March Family Night** will feature Jim Nesci and his reptiles. Families are invited to this fun-filled event on Friday, March 20, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with dinner in Anderson Hall.

A **“Great Expectations” baby shower** will be held on Sunday, March 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. Families who are expecting or who have had a baby in the last year are invited to attend; RSVP by Tuesday, March 17 to [enickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

## FELLOWSHIP

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

**Young Couples** are invited to attend a time of fellowship this Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. at a member’s home. For information, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**“The Impact of Mission Trips”** 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 Cornerstones-hosted event. Reservations, which are required, can be made by calling the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 before March 3.

A **Young Adult Men’s Group** gathers the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse for fellowship, a Bible study, and meaningful discussion. The next gathering will be Thursday, February 12. For more information, contact Liz Nickerson at [enickerson@fourthchurch.org](mailto:enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

**John Buchanan** will speak at the Men’s Group breakfast on Saturday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To register, call 312.787.4570 by Friday, March 13 at 12:00 noon.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Daylight Saving Time begins** next Sunday, March 8. Be sure to set clocks ahead one hour.

A **“Finding Work without Losing Heart”** retreat, offered by the Career Transitions Center, will be held this Wednesday and Thursday, March 4–5. To register, contact the Center, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, at 312.906.9908.

**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 or to pick up a “Fourth Church Cares” card from the literature racks.

## WORSHIP

**Morning Prayer** is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

**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.

*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).

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago • John M. Buchanan, Pastor  
Church office: 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014; 312.787.4570  
Phone extensions: 312.787.2729; Fax: 312.787.4584

## LENT

**Weekly Lenten Services** will be held Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

**Daily Lenten devotions** are available in the literature racks, by e-mail (send e-mail addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org)), and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

**A seven-week Lenten book study** of *Lent: The Sunday Readings*, hosted by ThirtiesForties, begins today at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. Copies of the book are available during Coffee Hour.

**An Interfaith Passover Seder**, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will take place Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

**“Praying the Song of Songs” is the theme of this year’s Lenten Retreat**, which will take place at the church on Friday evening and Saturday morning, March 27–28. For registration information, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**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. (Donations must be received by Friday, April 3 in order for names to appear in the bulletin.) Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks or by calling Cerry Letrich at 312.981.3381.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Flutist Joanna Turska** will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**The Canterbury Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys** will be in concert Tuesday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour, by calling 866.468.3401, or at [www.ticketweb.com](http://www.ticketweb.com).

**A call for artists is being put forth by the Fine Arts Council** at Fourth Church. Those interested are encouraged to submit an artist’s statement and two 8 1/2 x 11 color copies of sample work to the reception desk by Wednesday, March 25. For more details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 ([abright@fourthchurch.org](mailto:abright@fourthchurch.org)).

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Information regarding the Chicago Project for Violence/CeaseFire** and about a bill requiring background checks on handgun sales in Illinois is available at the Mission Table today during Coffee Hour.

**Congo expert Anneke Van Woundenberg** will speak about the Democratic Republic of Congo on Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m. For details or to RSVP, call Natasha Holbert at 312.573.2452.

**Mission trip applications** for the Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations trip and the Guatemala trip are due Monday, March 16. Details are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html).

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Audio operator** to record special services during the week; training provided  
**Tutors** for the Tutoring program; especially Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday

*For a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.*

## CALENDAR FOR MARCH 1–7, 2009

### Sunday, March 1

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Calum I. MacLeod preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
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.	Academy Classes		Anderson Hall Balconies
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.	“Embracing Parents”		Tutoring Library
10:30 a.m.	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>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Academy Class		Anderson Hall S. Balcony
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Lenten Book Study		Manse
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>Jocelyn C. Cadwallader preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>

### Monday, March 2

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers’ Class	Page Smith Room

### Tuesday, March 3

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
6:30 p.m.	Congo Presentation	Anderson Hall

### Wednesday, March 4

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Midweek Lenten Service</b>	<b>Blair Chapel</b>

### Thursday, March 5

5:00 p.m.	T’ai Chi Class	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
7:00 p.m.	Young Couples Small Group	<i>(see announcement)</i>

### Friday, March 6

9:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Joanna Turska	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	“The Impact of Mission Trips”	Manse

### Saturday, March 7

9:30 a.m.	Day School Benefit	Westminster House
-----------	--------------------	-------------------

### **Preaching on Sunday, March 8**

*Daylight Saving Time begins*

Joyce Shin	8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Victoria G. Curtiss	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.