

May 31–June 6, 2009

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News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

Tonight's Communion Vespers service, at 6:30 p.m., will be the final Vespers service. It will be a festive Pentecost celebration, with the Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble providing music leadership.

A weekly 4:00 Sunday afternoon service begins on Sunday, June 7. This exciting new worship opportunity will have a casual, family-friendly feel and will include Communion. After each 4:00 service, all will be invited to share in a community meal.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m., 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.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m., to pray for members of the congregation and those in need.

Cynthia Campbell will be the guest preacher at 9:30 and 11:00 worship next Sunday. Dr. Campbell is President of McCormick Theological Seminary and a longtime friend of Fourth Church, a frequent guest preacher and instructor in the Academy for Faith and Life.

World Day of Prayer will be observed on Thursday, June 11 with an interfaith service planned by members of Fourth Church and the Downtown Islamic Center. The prayer service will be held in the sanctuary on Thursday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m. A reception in Anderson Hall will follow the service.

ENRICHMENT

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.

During Women's Health Week (June 1–5), the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health will host a series of sixty-minute lunch seminars beginning at 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall. Topics will center on the theme, "Connections: To Your Good Health—Body, Mind, and Spirit," and are listed on the calendar page. No registration is necessary for the buffet-style lunch. For more details, pick up an information card in the literature racks or contact Terry Stumpf at 312.981.3396.

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 on Tuesday, June 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *The Red Leather Diary* by Lily Koppel.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Remembering Christians in the Middle East is the theme of this morning's Coffee Hour, hosted by the Mission Committee.

Critical services such as education and health care will be adversely affected if Illinois does not increase revenues to resolve the \$11 billion state budget deficit. Information about this issue, as well as a letter to sign to state legislators, is available at the Mission table.

Today a Near North Ministry Alliance-sponsored blood drive will take place at St. Matthew's Methodist Church (1000 N. Orleans) from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Blood donors, particularly African Americans, are needed for children being treated for sickle cell anemia at Children's Memorial Hospital. For more details, contact Vicky Curtiss at 312.981.3598.

Gardeners interested in volunteering at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden this season are invited to a Community Gathering at the garden on Saturday, June 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. **All are invited to an All-Church Cookout** on Saturday, June 27 at 11:30 a.m. at the garden. The cookout will include special activities for children and transportation between the church and the garden will be provided.

"Frontline AIDS in Africa—Conversations" will be the focus of a luncheon discussion on Sunday, June 7 at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Representatives from various HIV/AIDS agencies in Cameroon and Kenya will be the keynote speakers. To RSVP, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

The Holiday Card Committee is in need of volunteers to help plan and implement marketing strategies for these student-made cards, which raise funds for the Chicago Lights Tutoring Program. For information, contact Allison Graham at 312.981.3596 (agraham@fourthchurch.org).

The 24th Annual Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk will take place on Saturday, June 20. A team from Fourth Church will participate in this event by walking and raising funds to eliminate hunger. All donations raised by Fourth Church will help fund the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center food pantry, bag-lunch programs, and Sunday and Monday Night Community Suppers. For details, to join the team, or to donate, stop by the Hunger Walk table during Coffee Hour, contact Kathleen McKenzie at 312.981.3569, or visit www.chicagolights.org for the team web page.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

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

NEWS AND RESOURCES

In this economic climate, Fourth Church wants to remind all of the spiritual, emotional, and practical services available at the church. 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), call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a "Fourth Church Cares" card from the literature racks.

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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“**Meeting the Challenge**” is an invitation to all members and friends to prayerfully consider increasing their pledges, pledge for the first time, or make an additional gift to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights so that we might meet the increased need for service and outreach in these difficult days. To help meet the challenge, please complete the response card in the pew racks, visit www.fourthchurch.org/2009challenge.html, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-five to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Young adults are also invited to join in **weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach** (6:00 p.m. on Mondays). For details, contact J. C. Cadwallader at 312.640.2571 (jcadwallader@fourthchurch.org).

The ThirtiesForties fellowship group will host a game night on Friday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Manse. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Monday, June 1.

Cornerstones, a fellowship opportunity for couples age fifty and over, will take an architectural cruise on the Chicago River on Friday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. A limited number of tickets is available. For details or to register, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

Doug Pond will talk about his experiences in Maputo, Mozambique at the next Men’s Group breakfast meeting on Saturday, June 13, at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. All are welcome. To RSVP, call the church office at 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Friday, June 12.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Ushers, readers, and musicians to help with 4:00 p.m. worship
Volunteer to assist a Presbyterian AIDS clinic with grant writing

Sunday Night Supper will expand and relocate to Anderson Hall on June 7, following 4:00 p.m. worship, creating additional volunteer opportunities:

Cooks and servers to assist in preparing and distributing the food
Setup crew to open tables, arrange chairs
Dining Room hosts to oversee setup and breakdown, provide direction and assistance to servers
Beverage pourers to serve guests at tables
Breakdown crew to collapse tables, stack chairs
Dish washers to collect and clean dishes
Computer supervisor to help guests using the computer lab
Tablecloth washers to clean linens

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

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Summer Sunday School for preschoolers through fifth graders meets at 9:30 a.m. There is expanded nursery care for infants through kindergartners at 11:00 a.m.

The annual Senior Highs car wash/dog wash fund-raiser will be held next Sunday, June 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Ave., between Cleveland and Hudson). All proceeds will benefit their summer work camp trip to Northern Ireland.

CALENDAR FOR MAY 31–JUNE 6, 2009

Sunday, May 31

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod 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
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 to 5:00 p.m.	Blood Drive		St. Matthew's Methodist Church
12:15 p.m.	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		Randolph Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Jazz Vespers	Linda C. Loving Preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, June 1

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	“The Essence in Connections: Health and Nutrition”	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball	Oak Street Beach
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room

Tuesday, June 2

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	“Our Web of Connections: Finding Wholeness in Loss”	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women	Large Conference Room

Wednesday, June 3

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:00 p.m.	“Connections with Stress and Balance”	Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, June 4

12:00 p.m.	“Disconnections: Modern Day Health Quackery”	Anderson Hall
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Friday, June 5

9:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:00 p.m.	“Connections with Body and Spirit”	Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Dorothy Hall	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	<i>(see announcement)</i>
7:00 p.m.	ThirtiesForties	Manse

Saturday, June 6

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours	Community Garden
11:30 a.m.	Community Gathering for Gardeners	Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, June 7

	Joyce Shin	8:00 a.m.
	Cynthia M. Campbell	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
	Adam Fronczek	4:00 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.