

August 23–29, 2009

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**FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
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News and Opportunities

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Manse.

Cycling enthusiasts are invited to attend an informational Bike Club meeting next Sunday, August 30 at 10:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For more information, email cyclists@fourthchurch.org.

Cornerstones, a fellowship group for couples over fifty, will have a barbecue and potluck on Friday, September 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Garth to kickoff the program year. Advance payment and reservations are required and can be made by calling the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

The ThirtiesForties fellowship group will hold a fall kickoff potluck brunch on Sunday, September 13 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. For information or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fourth Dimension, a fellowship opportunity for individuals forty-seven and older, will host a program and dinner on Friday, September 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Olympics expert John MacAloon of the University of Chicago will be the keynote speaker. To register, call the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.4570, ext. 494.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Today an exhibition reception celebrating “Patterns of Colorful Lives: Guatemalan Textiles” will be held from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in the Manse. The artists will be on hand to discuss their work and the Executive Director of Common Hope, a Guatemala-based organization dedicated to educating children and empowering families living in poverty, will share brief remarks.

Lamajamal, a world music group, will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

An all-youth trip to Great America is scheduled for Sunday, August 30. For details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 (abright@fourthchurch.org).

U2charist, a communion service focused on social justice issues, will be hosted by Fourth Church youth on Friday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Songs by U2, performed by a live cover band, will be used during the service. All are invited to attend. For details, contact John Vest at 312.981.4037.

A fall kickoff event for children, youth, and their parents will take place Sunday, September 13 and will include lunch and other activities.

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Books by Women will resume meeting

on Tuesday, September 1 at 6:00 p.m.

to discuss *The Most Famous Man in America* by Deborah Applegate.

Learn about educational programs open to those sixty and over when the Center

for Life and Learning hosts its Autumn Open House on Thursday, September 10. Attend during the day from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall or at night from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, call the CLL Open House Infoline at 312.640.5459 by Monday, August 31.

Those sixty and over are invited to a luncheon, followed by an opportunity to learn about Wii fitness on Thursday, September 10 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Manse Dining Room. Registration is required by contacting Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387 (pamis@fourthchurch.org).

An eight-session T'ai Chi course for beginners will start Thursday, September 17 at 5:00 p.m. For more details or to register, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

Thomas Long, a widely admired preacher and influential teacher of preaching, will speak at the annual *Christian Century* lecture on Thursday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Club of Chicago (201 E. Ontario). For ticket fee and reservation information, contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 (event@christiancentury.org).

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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The 2009 Parliament of the World's Religions will meet in Melbourne, Australia, this December. Those interested in joining Joyce Shin in traveling to the Parliament December 2–13 are asked to contact Joyce at 312.274.3835 before Monday, August 31.

Fourth Church members and friends are invited to travel to Egypt on an educational tour led by Adam Fronczek January 10–24, 2010. Brochures are available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website. Those interested in applying should contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Saturday bread-cutters for 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Communion

Sunday School teachers for 9:30 or 11:00 classes, alternate Sundays, with a partner; training is provided

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, which resumes in the fall

Community Supper volunteers to help with various tasks on Sundays from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Reading and math tutors for elementary children at two Cabrini-Green schools; 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., several times a week

Current Donation Needs

Items for the Back-to-School Supply

Drive, including drawing pads and wide-rule notebooks (without wires), black pens (packs of 8–12), wirebound college-rule notebooks, pencil sharpeners, pointed scissors; a full list is available in Coffee Hour

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

WORSHIP

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.

An afternoon worship service including Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. After each 4:00 service, all are invited to share in a community meal in Anderson Hall.

A world music instrumental ensemble is being organized for the 4:00 worship service. Those who have experience with or interest in music of other cultures are invited to contact John Sherer at 312.981.3592 (jsherer@fourthchurch.org).

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 service in the style of Taizé is held each fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. Prior to the service, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., there is an opportunity to participate in a meditative labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall. The next service will be this Friday, August 28.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

School Supply Drive donations are being collected until Sunday, August 30. These supplies will be given to students involved in the Tutoring program as well as those served by various community agencies. Lists of needed supplies are available during Coffee Hour today, in the literature racks, and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

“Get Connected” through fellowship education, and service at Fourth Church! On Sunday, September 20, all are invited to Anderson Hall following worship to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities. On Sunday, September 27, all are encouraged to attend Coffee Hour to learn about volunteer opportunities.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For information about available resources, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360, call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a “Fourth Church Cares” card from the literature racks.

To date we have received \$140,642 in response to the \$360,000 challenge fund launched in May. We are grateful to all who have given or pledged to the Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights and who have helped “Meet the Challenge.” To date we have received \$4.2 million toward the \$5.1 million required for budget. Gifts to help meet the challenge and bridge the gap can be made by completing the response card in the pew racks, by visiting www.fourthchurch.org/2009challenge.html, or by contacting Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 23–29, 2009

Sunday, August 23

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sarah A. Johnson preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	The Gathering		Manse
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
1:00 p.m.	"Patterns of Colorful Lives" Reception		Manse
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, August 24

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group		Counseling Center

Tuesday, August 25

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours (also Wednesday–Friday)		Community Garden

Wednesday, August 26

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Nia Class		Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room

Thursday, August 27

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
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Friday, August 28

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Nia Class		Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Lamajamal		Garth
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Anderson Hall
7:30 p.m.	Taizé		Blair Chapel

Saturday, August 29

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours		Community Garden
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Preaching on Sunday, August 30

Joann H. Lee preaching	8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Linda C. Loving preaching	4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$7.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.