

September 20–26, 2009

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**FOURTH  
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CHURCH**  
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# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today is “**Get Connected . . . Stay Connected**” Sunday. All are invited to Anderson Hall following worship to learn about educational and faith-building opportunities, fellowship groups, Bible studies, and other activities.

All are invited to cycle to church next Sunday, September 27 for “**Bike to Church Sunday**,” which is sponsored by the Fourth Church Cycling Club. Bike parking will be available on the playground (September 27 only) with bike valets present to assist with parking. Locks are required. For details, email [cyclists@fourthchurch.org](mailto:cyclists@fourthchurch.org).

**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. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church, or dropped off at the reception desk, through September 30.

**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.

**Fourth Presbyterian Church**, a member congregation of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, is committed to being a fully inclusive community. To learn more about Covenant Network, visit [www.covenantnetwork.org](http://www.covenantnetwork.org).

### “Meeting the Challenge” update:

We have received \$255,000 in response to the \$360,000 challenge fund in support of the 2009 Annual Appeal. Thank you to all who have contributed!

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

**The annual Volunteer Fair** will be held next Sunday, September 27 during Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall. All are encouraged to attend and learn of service and community outreach opportunities.

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Tutors** for the Tutoring program

**Reading and math tutors** for elementary children at two Cabrini-Green schools; 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Choir members and instrumentalists** for 4:00 p.m. worship

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Toiletries** for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Health Fair

**Bean bag, rocking chairs, and bright rugs** for a Cabrini-Green elementary school

*For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.*

## 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 10:30 a.m.

**Concerns about falling** will be addressed in a discussion led by gerontological nurse practitioner JoAnn Gruca on Tuesday, September 22 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

**The author of the best-seller *A. Lincoln: A Biography***, Ronald C. White, will discuss his book at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Tuesday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**Thomas Long** 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 details, contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

A **“Nia Splash Out” session** will be held Saturday, September 26 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. To register, call the Nia Class Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371 or visit [www.niachicago.com](http://www.niachicago.com).

### **New Academy for Faith and Life courses**

begin next Sunday, September 27: “Doing Theology inside *The Shack*” and “The Bible and Our Culture” will meet at 9:30 a.m.; “The Book of Job and the Invention of Faith” and “Egypt and the Bible” will meet at 11:00 a.m. Details are available in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html).

A **women’s Bible study** will begin Sunday, September 27 and meet weekly at 9:00 a.m. in the Large Conference Room.

**Linda Loving** will present *Julian*, a one-woman drama about the life of Julian of Norwich, on Monday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights (6601 W. College Drive).

**“Organic and Super Foods for Cancer Prevention”** will be the topic of a Triumph over Cancer educational session on Tuesday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To register, call the infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

**Christian Century Study Groups** provide opportunity to discuss challenging social, ethical, and theological issues as addressed in the *Christian Century*. Study groups will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m., beginning Wednesday, October 7. To register, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)) by this Tuesday, September 22.

**Fourth Church will mark the 500th anniversary of the birth of reformer John Calvin** with a variety of special observances. For details, pick up an Academy for Faith and Life brochure from the literature racks or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/calvin.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/calvin.html). To register, contact Adrienne Glover at 312.573.3364.

**“Becoming a Multicultural Church,”** a workshop for church members and friends, will be held Sunday, October 25 at 11:00 a.m. in the Activity Center. All are invited to attend to learn how Fourth Church can grow in inclusivity. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**The 2009 Covenant Network Conference** will be held November 5–7 in Cleveland. Those interested in attending are asked to call J.C. Cadwallader at 312.640.2571.

*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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## 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.

**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.

**A service in the style of Taizé** will be held this Friday, September 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. A labyrinth walk will be available from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

**Fourth Church Youth** meet today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow's Nest. Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) is on retreat.

**Family Camp**, a weekend of activities for children, youth, and parents, will take place October 9–11 at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan.

**A new evenings moms' group** will meet on the first Tuesday of the month, starting October 6. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

## FELLOWSHIP

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

**Cornerstones**, a fellowship group for couples over fifty, will meet on Friday, October 2 for a special presentation on the Fourth Church organ by organist John Sherer. Advance payment and reservations are required; call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 for details.

**Books by Women** will meet Tuesday, October 6 to discuss *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Fourth Church Organist and Director of Music John W. W. Sherer** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert.

**"Project Onward: Visionary Work by Artists with Disabilities"** is now on exhibition in the Loggia.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**The final Tutoring orientation session** will be held Monday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**All are invited to a Fall Harvest Cookout** at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden on Saturday, September 26 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. There will be food, crafts, games, and garden tours for all.

**The 2009 CROP Walk to alleviate global hunger** will take place Sunday, October 18 at UIC (750 S. Halsted St.). To donate or sign up to walk with the Fourth Church team, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html).

## CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 20–26, 2009

### Sunday, September 20

|                         |  |                   |
|-------------------------|--|-------------------|
| 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>  |
| 8:00 a.m.               | Handbell Choir   | Dining Room       |
| 9:00 a.m.               | “Get Connected” 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.               | John Knox Bible Study                                    | Page Smith Room   |
| 9:30 a.m.               | Sunday School  | Westminster House |
| 9:30 a.m.               | Junior High Choir  | Dining Room       |
| 10:30 a.m.              | “Get Connected” Coffee Hour                              | Anderson Hall     |
| 10:30 a.m.              | Intercessory Prayer                                      | Stone Chapel      |
| 10:30 a.m.              | Elevation  | Manse Basement    |
| 10:30 a.m.              | Senior Highs   | Crow’s Nest       |
| 10:30 a.m.              | Cherub Choir   | Dining Room       |
| <b>11:00 a.m.</b>       | <b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b> | <b>Sanctuary</b>  |
| 11:00 a.m.              | Sunday School  | Westminster House |
| 11:00 a.m.              | Children’s Choir   | Dining Room       |
| 11:45 a.m.              | Senior High Choir  | Dining Room       |
| 12:00 p.m.              | New Member Brunch  | Dining Room       |
| 12:15 p.m.              | “Get Connected” 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     |
| 3:00 p.m.               | Chamber Choir Rehearsal                                  | Sanctuary         |
| <b>4:00 p.m.</b>        | <b>Afternoon Worship</b> <b>Adam Fronczek preaching</b>  | <b>Sanctuary</b>  |
| 5:00 p.m.               | Community Supper   | Anderson Hall     |

### Monday, September 21

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| 9:30 a.m. | Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday) | Stone Chapel  |
| 6:00 p.m. | Tutoring Orientation                   | Anderson Hall |

### Tuesday, September 22

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|-------------------|---|------------------|
| 9:00 a.m.         | Morning Prayer  | Stone Chapel     |
| 12:00 p.m.        | “Concerned About Falling?” Conversation               | Page Smith Room  |
| 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. | Garden Open Hours (also Thursday)                     | Community Garden |
| 7:00 p.m.         | Michigan Avenue Forum: <i>A. Lincoln: A Biography</i> | Anderson Hall    |

### Wednesday, September 23

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

### Thursday, September 24

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| 5:00 p.m. | T’ai Chi                         | Anderson Hall      |
| 6:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal          | Sanctuary          |
| 7:00 p.m. | <i>Christian Century</i> Lecture | (see announcement) |

### Friday, September 25

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|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 10:30 a.m.        | CLL Bible Study                    | Page Smith Room     |
| 12:10 p.m.        | Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer | Sanctuary           |
| 3:30 p.m.         | Serving Fourth Friday Supper       | Catholic Charities  |
| 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. | Labyrinth Walk Available           | Anderson Hall       |
| <b>7:30 p.m.</b>  | <b>Taizé</b>                       | <b>Blair Chapel</b> |

### Saturday, September 26

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| 10:00 a.m.              | Nia “Splash Out”     | Anderson Hall    |
| 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. | Fall Harvest Cookout | Community Garden |

### *Preaching on Sunday, September 27*

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|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Joann H. Lee preaching        | 8:00 a.m.           |
| Alice M. Trowbridge preaching | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. |
| John W. Vest 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.