

September 27–October 3, 2009

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**FOURTH
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CHURCH**
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News and Opportunities

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Today's Volunteer Fair provides a way to get connected, through service, at Fourth Church. Information about a variety of ways in which people can live out their faith, serving one another, this city, and the world, will be available in Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour.

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

Community Supper volunteers to help with various tasks from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

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

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

New adult education classes begin today, sponsored by the Academy for Faith and Life:

- **“Doing Theology inside *The Shack*”** will be held at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A, led by Jennifer Ayres, Assistant Professor at McCormick Theological Seminary
 - **“The Bible and Our Culture”** will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony, led by Adam Fronczek
 - **“The Book of Job and the Invention of Faith”** will be held at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony, led by Adam Rose, Humanities Instructor at University of Chicago
 - **“Egypt and the Bible”** will meet at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony A, led by Ted Hiebert, Professor of Old Testament at McCormick Theological Seminary
- Course descriptions are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

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.

Christian Century Study Groups provide opportunity to discuss challenging social, ethical, and theological issues as addressed in the *Christian Century*. Study groups will meet beginning Wednesday, October 7. To register, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fourth Church will mark the 500th anniversary of the birth of reformer John Calvin with a variety of special observances, including a **celebrative gathering at the Newberry Library** on Thursday evening, October 15 and a **series of presentations on Saturday morning**, October 17 by John Buchanan, Cynthia Campbell, Anna Case-Winters, and Adam Fronczek. For details, pick up an Academy for Faith and Life brochure from the literature racks or visit 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. 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.

Krista Tippett of NPR’s “Speaking of Faith” will be interviewed by Eboo Patel, founder and Executive Director of the Interfaith Youth Core, at a special Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html or contacting the Academy Office at 312.573.3364.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Fine Arts Council at Fourth Church is accepting artwork entries for a winter exhibition that will showcase works by Fourth Church artists. For details, contact Sue Pellowe at 312.981.3593 (spellowe@fourthchurch.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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Soprano Ingrid Israel will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert.

The Chicago Ensemble, a vocal and instrumental chamber group, will be in concert in the sanctuary on Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, visit www.thechicagoensemble.org or call 773.889.4206. **Music Ants**, a string quartet, will be in concert on Thursday, October 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available by visiting www.ticketweb.com or by calling 312.560.4477.

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) in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Crow’s Nest.

A new evenings moms’ group will meet on the first Tuesday of the month, starting October 6. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at enickerson@fourthchurch.org.

Family Camp, a weekend of activities for children, youth, and parents, will take place October 9–11 at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and at www.fourthchurch.org/downloads/FamilyCamp0909.pdf.

A “Great Expectations” baby shower for parents who are expecting or have welcomed a child into their family in the past year will be held Sunday, October 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Reconciliation and forgiveness will be the topic of a workshop led by Ann Smith on Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Mission Trip Sunday will take place next Sunday, October 4. Stop by Anderson Hall that day to learn about past and upcoming mission trips.

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.

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 prayer service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel each fourth Friday of the month; a meditative labyrinth walk is also available that day from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today is the kickoff for the 2010 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. Officers and staff have already committed to the work of the church for 2010 by making their pledges early. Members will receive their information in the mail this week. Giving Response cards are also available in the pew racks, literature racks, and in Coffee Hour and can be completed online today at computer stations located in the Narthex, Loggia, and the balcony area overlooking Anderson Hall. Please return completed cards by Sunday, October 25 so that we may faithfully plan and budget for 2010. For details about the Annual Appeal, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

Challenge Fund Update: We have received \$280,000 in response to the \$360,000 challenge fund in support of the 2009 Annual Appeal. Thank you to all who have contributed!

Today is “Bike to Church” Sunday and the kickoff for “Bike to Church” month (October). More information about biking to church as well as the Cycling Club’s first group ride on Saturday, October 3, is available in the literature racks or by emailing cyclists@fourthchurch.org.

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For more information, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360.

FELLOWSHIP

Cornerstones, a fellowship group for couples fifty and over, will meet Friday, October 2 for a special presentation on the Fourth Church organ by organist John Sherer. For details and to RSVP, call the infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 27–OCTOBER 3, 2009

Sunday, September 27

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joann H. Lee preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Alice M. Trowbridge preaching	Sanctuary
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.	Junior High Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs	<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Alice M. Trowbridge preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy Classes	Anderson Hall Balconies
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
12:15 p.m.	Volunteer Fair	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
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
3:00 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, September 28

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, September 29

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours (also Thursday)	Community Garden
7:00 p.m.	Reconciliation and Forgiveness Presentation	Page Smith Room

Wednesday, September 30

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

Thursday, October 1

5:00 p.m.	T'ai Chi	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, October 2

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Ingrid Israel	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Manse

Saturday, October 3

11:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours	Community Garden
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Preaching on Sunday, October 4

Sarah A. Johnson preaching	8:00 a.m.
Calum I. MacLeod preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Joann H. Lee 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.