

October 11–17, 2009

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CHURCH
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News and Opportunities

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.

Today's Academy for Faith and Life

adult education opportunities are “Doing Theology inside *The Shack*” and “The Bible and Our Culture” at 9:30 a.m.; and “Egypt and the Bible” and “The Book of Job and the Invention of Faith” at 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Church will mark the 500th anniversary of the birth of reformer John Calvin with a celebrative gathering at the Newberry Library this 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 and tickets for the Library event, stop by Coffee Hour, pick up an Academy for Faith and Life brochure from the literature racks, or contact the Academy Office at 312.573.3364 (academy@fourthchurch.org).

Men age sixty and over are invited to a Center for Life and Learning-sponsored luncheon and discussion program on postcolonial India on Friday, October 16 at 11:00 a.m. For details or to RSVP, contact Sergio Soltero at 312.981.3386 (ssoltero@fourthchurch.org).

“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.

Preventing and detecting breast

cancer will be the topic of a wellness discussion led by JoAnn Gruca on Tuesday, October 27 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room; participants are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch for a time of fellowship at 11:30 a.m.

The Community Book Group will meet Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss *Watchmen* by Alan Moore. John Vest will lead the group discussion.

Books by Women will meet Tuesday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert*, *Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell.

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 at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Academy Office at 312.573.3364 or visiting www.fourthchurch.org/michiganave.html.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

“Called to be a Church Alive,” the 2010 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights, is underway. Giving response cards have been mailed to member homes and also are available in the pew racks, online, and wherever “Church Alive” display stands are found. Please return completed cards by Sunday, October 25 so that we may faithfully plan and budget for 2010. For more information, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Individual and Planned Giving, at 312.981.3380 or visit www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html.

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.

Project Second Century: Called to Love and Serve (P2C) is Fourth Church’s initiative to expand its programs, service, and presence in the city as well as the facilities and financial strength to enable such growth. News about P2C will be shared in this space throughout the year. Recent milestones include the completion of preliminary plans for a new building; distribution of a request for proposal to selected architectural firms; initial conversations related to the city approval process; and the first stages of plans for a capital fund-raising campaign. For details about P2C, visit www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html or contact Rob Holben, Director of Business Administration, at 312.274.3821.

A portion of the sidewalk on Chestnut Street will be closed until October 19 while Peoples Gas repairs gas lines.

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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MISSION AND OUTREACH

The purple bows on the Michigan Avenue trees mark Domestic Violence Awareness Month by representing the thousands of individuals who are victims of domestic violence each year.

A Guatemalan school serving children with disabilities and learning challenges will be the topic of a Mission Committee-sponsored program today at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. All are welcome.

“Shop for a Cause” Saturday, October 17 and support Chicago Lights Tutoring. Macy’s discount passes will be available today during Coffee Hour or by contacting Kathryn Johnson (312.640.2576); proceeds from these passes will benefit the Tutoring program.

The 2009 CROP Walk to alleviate global hunger will take place next 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.

Chicago Lights Holiday Cards, designed by Tutoring students, are available during Coffee Hour, online at www.chicagolights.org, and at the reception desk; all proceeds benefit the Tutoring program.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Fourth Acts theater ensemble will meet today at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center for open auditions.

Organist Jonathan Ryan will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Chanticleer will perform their annual Christmas concerts at Fourth Church on Monday, December 7 and Tuesday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which sell out quickly, are available through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (www.cso.org; 312.294.3000).

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship group for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room for a lunchtime presentation by Dr. Nazeli Vardanyan, an Armenian peacemaker.

Today the ThirtiesForties fellowship group will participate in a “dessert crawl” in Andersonville at 2:00 p.m., beginning at the Swedish American Museum (5211 N. Clark Street); a group will meet at 1:00 p.m. at Fourth Church to take public transportation there.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Many Fourth Church families and the Senior Highs are at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, today for the Fourth Church Fall Family Camp.

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 and Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) in the Page Smith Room.

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 next Sunday, October 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. For information or to RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org)

Mothers of children age four and under are invited to a Moms’ Night Out on Monday, October 26 at 7:30 p.m. Participants will attend a private cooking class and tasting. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org) by Tuesday, October 13.

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. The next Taizé service will be Friday, October 23.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Sandwich makers for new team, meeting fourth Sundays after 11:00 service
Sunday School teachers for 11:00 a.m. classes; alternate Sundays; with a partner
Tutors for the Tutoring program, especially Monday and Tuesday nights

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

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 11–17, 2009

Sunday, October 11

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	"Doing Theology inside <i>The Shack</i> "	Anderson Hall N. Balcony A
9:30 a.m.	"The Bible and Our Culture"	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
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.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising	<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	"Egypt and the Bible"	Anderson Hall N. Balcony A
11:00 a.m.	"The Book of Job and the Invention of Faith"	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
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
12:15 p.m.	Mission Program: Nueva Vida School	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts	Activity Center
2:00 p.m.	ThirtiesForties Dessert Crawl	<i>(see announcement)</i>
3:00 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, October 12

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, October 13

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

Wednesday, October 14

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

Thursday, October 15

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	"Celebrating Calvin at the Newberry"	Newberry Library

Friday, October 16

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	"For Men Only" CLL Discussion Program	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Jonathan Ryan	Sanctuary

Saturday, October 17

8:00 a.m.	"Calvin and Contemporary Issues"	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours	Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, October 18

Jocelyn C. Cadwallader 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.