

April 25–May 1, 2010

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# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Ali Trowbridge**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, has announced her resignation effective May 9 so that she might spend more time with her family. The Session of Fourth Church has called a special congregational meeting for Sunday, May 23 for the purpose of acting on Ali's resignation. After the meeting, which will follow 11:00 worship, a reception for Ali will offer opportunity to thank her for her ministry among us.

**Enjoy a pancake breakfast this morning** while also supporting the Senior Highs' summer work camp trip to Cary, Mississippi. Tickets for this fund-raiser, which takes place from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room, are available at the door. Omelets are available for an additional donation.

**A support group for those dealing with significant loss experiences and grief** will be provided on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Repogle Counseling Center, beginning Monday, April 26. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

**May is "Bike to Church" month, sponsored by the Fourth Church Cycling Club.** Those interested in participating are invited to wear comfortable clothing and cycle to church during May; for a map of bike parking in the area, visit [www.fourthchurch.org.cycling.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org.cycling.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.

**This afternoon, members of the recent Cuba mission trip** will lead 4:00 worship, which includes Communion and is held in the sanctuary.

**Morning Prayer** is held weekdays 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 each Fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel; prior to each service, a labyrinth walk is available from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. The next service will be held Friday, May 28.

## ENRICHMENT

**All are invited to join in today's Earth Sunday celebration** by stopping by the Care of Creation-themed Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall and attending the panel presentation on stewardship of water at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Weekly Bible Study opportunities:**

*Women*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

**Adult education classes**, sponsored by the Academy for Faith and Life, meet Sunday mornings. At 9:30 a.m., **“The Minor Prophets in Conversation with Jesus”** meets in the Page Smith Room and **“The Apologies of Socrates and Gospels of Jesus”** meets in Anderson Hall S. Balcony. At 11:00 a.m., **“John Calvin’s Institutes of Christian Religion”** meets in Anderson Hall S. Balcony and **“Fine Arts and Faith”** meets in Anderson Hall N. Balcony A. Details can be found in the brochures in the literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/academyspring.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/academyspring.html).

**New technologies providing older adults with safety and independence** will be the topic of a free noonday session on Tuesday, April 27 in the Page Smith Room. Participants are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch for a time of fellowship at 11:30 a.m. prior to the program.

**The Community Book Group will continue today’s focus on caring for the earth** as they discuss *Bringing It to the Table: On Farming and Food* by Wendell Berry at 7:00 p.m. this Tuesday, April 27 in the Randolph Room. Joyce Shin will lead the conversation.

**The Egypt travelers** will be talking about their experiences and showing pictures from their January trip on Sunday, May 2 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See on Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. All are welcome.

**Fitness and healthy nutrition** is the theme of the Tuesday, May 4 Triumph over Cancer gathering at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

**A Nia “Splash Out”** will be held Saturday, May 8 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall, offering an opportunity for newcomers to try out a Nia exercise class. For details or to register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

**CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY**

**Giggles for God!**—a weekly sing-along for parents and their babies, toddlers, or preschoolers—will meet today at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in Westminster House.

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

**Elevation** (grades 6–7) meets today at 10:30 a.m. in the Manse basement.

**Adoptive families** and those considering adoption are invited to attend a luncheon today at 12:00 noon in the Manse. During the talk, there will be games for children.

**Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree in 2010** are asked to contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 by Monday, May 10 so that they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 16.

**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, May 16 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

*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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## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for young adults, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room to attend the Senior Highs' pancake breakfast.

**"Ability, Not Disability"** will be the focus of the next Cornerstones gathering for couples, spouses, and partners age fifty and older, on Friday, May 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. For details or to RSVP, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

**"Poetry and the Discipline of Concentration"** will be the focus of the next Men's Group breakfast meeting on Saturday, May 8 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. For details or to RSVP, call the church at 312.787.4570 by Friday, May 7 at 12:00 noon. All are welcome.

**The Cycling Club** will gather for a monthly bike ride on Saturday, May 8. For outing details, email [cyclists@fourthchurch.org](mailto:cyclists@fourthchurch.org). Members of the Cycling Club will also participate in "Bike the Drive" to raise funds for Monday Night Supper. For details or to join the Fourth Church team, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, May 5.

**Fourth Dimension**, a fellowship group for individuals forty-seven and older, will gather on Friday, May 14 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a talk on "Building the Internet." For details or to preregister, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**This evening the Newberry Consort**, an early-music original instrument chamber ensemble, will be in concert at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets will be available at the door.

**Fourth Church Organist and Director of Music John Sherer** will present this Friday's Free Noonday Concert.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

**Current Volunteer Needs**  
**Volunteers to remove blue bows** from the trees on Friday, April 30

**Current Donation Needs**  
**Baking equipment** for special education children in a charter elementary school

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

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**A letter to sign seeking funding for the Farm to School Program** under Child Nutrition Reauthorization is available at the Mission table in Coffee Hour.

**New Orleans mission trip participants** depart this Monday, April 26, and **Urban Plunge participants** will be working at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm this weekend. Please keep all of them in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

**Mel Duncan of Nonviolent Peaceforce** will speak at a luncheon on Sunday, May 2 at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For information or to RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

**Near North Side Story** will be presented by the Chicago Lights Literacy and Arts Program at the Near North Magnet Cluster Schools on Wednesday, May 12 and Thursday, May 13 at 12:00 noon and Friday, May 14 at 4:30 p.m. at Park Community Church (1001 N. Crosby).

**Links for Lights:** The Chicago Lights Golf Classic will be held Monday, June 28 at the Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. For information about this event benefiting the Chicago Lights Urban Farm, contact Rob Holben at 312.274.3821 ([rholben@fourthchurch.org](mailto:rholben@fourthchurch.org)).

## CALENDAR FOR APRIL 25–MAY 1, 2010

### Sunday, April 25

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>
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs Pancake Breakfast		Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	“Giggles for God”		Westminster 16
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Calum I. MacLeod preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study		Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Choir		Activity Center
9:30 a.m.	Academy: The Minor Prophets		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy: Socrates and Gospels of Jesus		Anderson Hall S. Balcony
10:30 a.m.	Elevation		Manse Basement
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Activity Center
10:30 a.m.	“Giggles for God”		Westminster 16
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Calum I. MacLeod preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Activity Center
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life		Anderson Hall Balconies
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir		Blair Chapel
12:00 p.m.	Adoptive Families Luncheon		Manse
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Stewardship of Water		Page Smith Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		(see announcement)
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers’ Class		Page Smith Room
3:10 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	<b>Victoria G. Curtiss preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	Newberry Consort		Sanctuary

### Monday, April 26

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Yoga	Crow’s Nest
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group	Counseling Center

### Tuesday, April 27

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	“You Can Live at Home”	Page Smith Room
7:00 p.m.	Community Book Group	Randolph Room

### Wednesday, April 28

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

### Friday, April 30

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Urban Plunge Mission Trip	Anderson Hall

### Saturday, May 1

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Urban Plunge Mission Trip	Urban Farm
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### *Preaching on Sunday, May 2*

Joyce Shin preaching	8:00 a.m.
Adam Fronczek 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.