

May 2–8, 2010

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**FOURTH
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CHURCH**
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News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

A letter to the Illinois legislature regarding the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection bill will be available to sign at the Mission Table in Coffee Hour.

Nonviolent strategies to make a more peaceful world will be the topic of a luncheon today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Mel Duncan of Nonviolent Peaceforce will speak at this event hosted by the Mission Committee and Young Adults fellowship group.

The Benevolent Guild will gather this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room to create toys and treats for children in hospitals and shelters.

Near North Side Story, the tenth annual Festival of the Heart, 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).

Golf for a cause! 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, stop by the Links for Lights table today during Coffee Hour.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for young adults, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

“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.

Published poets Judith Valente and Charles Raynard will present poetry at 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 bike outing this Saturday, May 8 at 9:30 a.m. For ride information, email cyclists@fourthchurch.org or call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 409. Members of the Cycling Club will also participate in “Bike the Drive.” For details or to join the Fourth Church team, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by this 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.” To preregister (required), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to staff the Book Nook during Coffee Hour

Current Donation Needs

Baking equipment for special education children in a Chicago charter elementary school; a list of specific items is at the Volunteer table

Men's seasonal sturdy clothes in larger sizes (pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill; a list of items is at the Volunteer table

Shaving cream, toothpaste, men's and women's underwear (size L–XL), for guests of the Social Service Center

Greeting cards, stamps, and envelopes for guests of Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

NEWS AND RESOURCES

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.

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.

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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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 at 12:00 noon for the purpose of acting on Ali's resignation. A reception for Ali during morning Coffee Hours will offer opportunity to thank her for her ministry among us.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by email from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

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.

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 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel each fourth Friday of the month; 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

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Life and Learning: Fridays at 10:30 a.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,”** led by John Sherer, meets in Anderson Hall N. Balcony A. Details can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/academyspring.html.

This afternoon the Egypt travelers will talk about their January travels and show trip pictures at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Men’s Bible Study meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. To RSVP, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

Books by Women will discuss *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See this 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.

Fourth Church youth meet each Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon: Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Crow’s Nest. This afternoon, Senior Highs and Fourth Church Rising will gather for a whirlyball outing from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., meeting at WhirlyBall Chicago (1880 W. Fullerton Ave.).

The Elevation Mother’s Day Flower Sale will take place Sunday, May 9 during Coffee Hour to help raise funds for the work camp trip to assist with the Illinois Special Olympics (June 10–13).

Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree in 2010 are asked to contact Deanna Fedaj at the church at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org) 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.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Pianist Soyoung Kee will be the featured artist at this Friday’s Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

CALENDAR FOR MAY 2–8, 2010

Sunday, May 2

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	“Giggles for God”		Westminster 16
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
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, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		<i>(see announcement)</i>
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
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
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
12:15 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/“Nonviolent Peaceforce” Luncheon		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Reflections on the Egypt Trip		Page Smith Room
1:00 p.m.	Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		<i>(see announcement)</i>
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Joann H. Lee preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, May 3

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

Tuesday, May 4

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study		<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Manse
6:00 p.m.	Triumph over Cancer		Randolph Room

Wednesday, May 5

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

Friday, May 7

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Soyoung Kee		Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones		Manse

Saturday, May 8

8:00 a.m.	Men’s Group		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Cycling Club		<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:00 a.m.	Nia “Splash Out”		Anderson Hall

Preaching on Sunday, May 9

John H. Boyle preaching	8:00 a.m.
Joyce Shin preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Sarah A. Johnson 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.