

May 16–22, 2010

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today's Coffee Hour honoring graduates is generously sponsored by Tom and Judy Monroe. For information about Coffee Hour sponsorship, contact Joyce Shin at 312.274.3835 (jshin@fourthchurch.org).

Next Sunday, May 23 new officers will be ordained and installed during 9:30 and 11:00 worship. Please keep those being installed and those continuing in service in your thoughts and prayers.

A congregational meeting has been called by the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church for next Sunday, May 23 at 12:00 noon for the purpose of acting on the resignation of Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care. A reception for Ali during morning Coffee Hours will offer opportunity to thank her for her ministry among us.

May is "Bike to Church" month, sponsored by the Fourth Church Cycling Club. Those interested in participating are invited to cycle to church during May; for a map of bike parking in the area, visit www.fourthchurch.org/cycling.html.

The Multicultural Church Conference of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will be held May 26–30 in Chicago. For information, visit the Multiculturalism table today during Coffee Hour.

Fourth Presbyterian Church is a light in the city, reflecting the inclusive love of God. Comforted and challenged by the gospel of Christ, we strive to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

A Project Second Century informational meeting will be held on Sunday, June 27 in Anderson Hall following 11:00 worship, providing an update on the initiative to facilitate the expansion of programming at Fourth Church.

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.

Men's Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, May 18 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details or to RSVP, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

Stress hardiness will be the topic of a discussion led by Gerontological Nurse Practitioner JoAnn Gruca on Tuesday, May 25 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. Participants are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch and arrive at 11:30 a.m. for a time of fellowship prior to the event. Registration is not required for this free session sponsored by the Centers for Whole Health and Life and Learning.

A CLL “For Men Only” presentation on the developments in Russia since the fall of communism will be held Thursday, May 27 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony. All men age 60 and older are invited to attend. For details or to RSVP, stop by the CLL front desk during the week or contact Sergio Soltero at 312.981.3386 (ssoltero@fourthchurch.org).

Books by Women will discuss *Triple Time* by Anne Sanow on Tuesday, June 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Books by Women will not meet in July and August; gatherings will resume in September.

During Women’s Health Week (June 7–11), the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health will host a series of meal seminars at various locations and times. Topics will center on the theme “Health and Wellness: Power and the Arts.” For more information (including registration details), visit www.chicagolights.org or contact Terry Stumpf at 312.981.3396.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

A letter to state legislators urging them to support legislation requiring background checks on all gun purchases, prohibiting the sale of assault weapons, and requiring the reporting of lost and stolen guns is available to sign at the Mission table.

An anti-violence presentation will be held Sunday, May 23 at a luncheon in the Activity Center following the congregational meeting. John Walker, grandfather of Derrion Albert, the Fenger High School student who was beaten to death last fall, will speak. For information or to RSVP, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

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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Golf for a cause! Links for Lights: The Chicago Lights Golf Classic will be held Monday, June 28 at Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. For details about this event benefiting the Chicago Lights Urban Farm, stop by the Links for Lights table today during Coffee Hour.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Summer Day volunteers to assist with classroom learning, art, meals, and chaperoning field trips; June 28–August 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Clothes for a family whose apartment was destroyed in a fire; list of items is available at the Volunteer table

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

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

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

FELLOWSHIP

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

The Center for Life and Learning’s annual luncheon will be held Thursday, May 20 at 11:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Men and women age sixty and over are invited to attend. For details or to RSVP, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Mezzo-soprano Carol Carpenter will be the featured artist at this Friday's Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m.

John Rutter will be conducting the St. Charles Singers on Sunday, May 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.stcharlessingers.com or by calling 630.513.5272.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The sheep in the Garth today are part of the Sunday School program's year-long focus on sheep and the Good Shepherd.

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.

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

Today 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 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse.

Bicycle safety is the theme of the Friday, May 21 Family Night. Families with younger children are invited to arrive at 5:30 p.m. for a cycling-themed obstacle course; dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Following dinner, older children will listen to a bike safety talk; afterwards they will have opportunity to play on the course. For more information or to RSVP, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

Summer Sunday School begins Sunday, May 30, with classes meeting at 9:30 a.m. only. There will be expanded nursery care for infants through kindergarten at 11:00 a.m.

Family Camp, a weekend of activities for children and their families, will take place Friday, June 4–Sunday, June 6 in Saugatuck, Michigan. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and online at www.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.

"Celebrating Multiculturalism" will be the theme of this afternoon's 4:00 worship service, as Fourth Church observes the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Multicultural Church Sunday.

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 Friday, May 28.

A Candlelighting Service for Mental Illness Recovery and Understanding will be held Sunday, June 6 during 4:00 p.m. worship, sponsored by the Center for Whole Health. On Sundays, May 23 and June 6, there will be a mental health information table in Coffee Hour.

CALENDAR FOR MAY 16–22, 2010

Sunday, May 16

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Jocelyn C. Cadwallader 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	John Buchanan 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
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	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Activity Center
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir		Blair Chapel
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch		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
12:30 p.m.	“Great Expectations” Baby Shower		Manse
3:10 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, May 17

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, May 18

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel

Wednesday, May 19

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
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Thursday, May 20

11:30 a.m.	CLL Annual Luncheon	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, May 21

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Carol Carpenter	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Family Night: Bicycle Safety	Anderson Hall

Preaching on Sunday, May 23

Calum I. MacLeod preaching	8:00 a.m.
John Buchanan 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.