

# News and Opportunities

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## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**This evening John Rutter**—noted British choral composer, musician, and educator—will conduct the St. Charles Singers 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 perform this Friday's Free Noonday Concert.

## 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 12:20 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 service in the style of Taizé** will be held this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel; a labyrinth walk will be available from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**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. For details, stop by the information table in Coffee Hour.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**New church officers** are wearing white flowers today; outgoing officers are wearing yellow flowers. Please take a moment to thank these fellow members for their role in the leadership of our congregation.

**All are encouraged to attend today's congregational meeting** at 12:00 noon in the sanctuary, called by the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church for the purpose of acting on the resignation of Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care. A reception for Ali will be held today during Coffee Hours in Anderson Hall, offering opportunity to thank Ali for her ministry among us.

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

**May is "Bike to Church" month**, sponsored by the Fourth Church Cycling Club. For a map of bike parking in the area, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/cycling.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/cycling.html).

**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 a.m. worship, providing an update on the initiative to facilitate the expansion of programming at Fourth Church.

## 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. Summer Sunday School begins next 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.

**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.

**Family Camp**, a weekend of activities for children and their families, will take place Friday, June 4 to Sunday, June 6 in Saugatuck, Michigan. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org). For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

## 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.

**"Discovering Hope: Understanding Addictions"** will be the focus of a Community Mental Health Conference, cosponsored by the Center for Whole Health, taking place today from 12:45 to 5:30 p.m. at Beth Emet the Free Synagogue (1224 Dempster, Evanston). For details, call 847.869.4230, ext. 335.

**Stress hardiness** will be the topic of a discussion led by Gerontological Nurse Practitioner JoAnn Gruca this 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.

**A CLL "For Men Only" presentation** on the developments in Russia since the fall of communism will be held this Thursday, May 27 at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony. For details or to RSVP for this luncheon talk, stop by the CLL front desk during the week or contact Sergio Soltero at 312.981.3386.

**Books by Women** will discuss *Triple Time* by Anne Sanow on Tuesday, June 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

**During Women's Health Week** (June 7–11), the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health will host a series of seminars at various locations and times. Topics will center on the theme "Health and Wellness: Power and the Arts." For information, visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).

*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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**The film *Fish out of Water*** will be shown on Friday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Manse. Afterwards all are invited to join in discussion of this documentary exploring biblical passages used to condemn homosexuality. This is the first in an ongoing series of conversations about issues affecting gay and lesbian persons and our life together in community. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369

**Will Allen, nationally recognized leader in sustainable agriculture** and founder and CEO of Growing Power, will speak at an upcoming Michigan Avenue Forum on Thursday, June 24 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

## 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.

**The anti-violence presentation and luncheon** originally scheduled for today will be rescheduled for a later date.

**The Sewing and Knitting Workshop** meets this Tuesday, May 25 at 5:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

**The Benevolent Guild** will gather this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.

**Links for Lights: The Chicago Lights Golf Classic** will be held Monday, June 28 at Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. Those who do not golf are also invited to join in a delightful outing to southern Michigan. For details about this event benefiting the Chicago Lights Urban Farm, stop by the Links for Lights table today during Coffee Hour or visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for young adults age twenty-two to thirty five, will meet today for an architectural tour of the sanctuary. Participants will gather at the front of the sanctuary following the congregational meeting.

**Cornerstones**, a fellowship opportunity for couples, partners, and spouses age fifty and over, will gather Friday, June 4 at 6:00 p.m. for an architectural trolley tour of Chicago, followed by dinner. Tuesday, June 1 is the deadline for preregistration (required). For more details or to register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Urban Farm gardeners** on Saturdays; orientation at 10:00 a.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (between Hudson and Cleveland at 444 W. Chicago Avenue )

**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.

**Church members** to staff Book Nook during Coffee Hour

### *Current Donation Needs*

**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

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

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

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

## CALENDAR FOR MAY 23–29, 2010

### Sunday, May 23

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour Reception for Ali Trowbridge		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	“Giggles for God”		Westminster 16
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John Buchanan 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
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		(see announcement)
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour Reception for Ali Trowbridge		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>John Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Activity Center
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir		Blair Chapel
12:20 p.m.	Coffee Hour Reception for Ali Trowbridge		Anderson Hall
12:20 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:20 p.m.	The Gathering		(see announcement)
12:45 p.m.	Community Mental Health Conference		(see announcement)
3:10 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	<b>John W. Vest preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	St. Charles Singers in Concert		Sanctuary

### Monday, May 24

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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### Tuesday, May 25

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	“Stress Hardiness”	Page Smith Room
5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Workshop	Large Conference Room

### Wednesday, May 26

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

### Thursday, May 27

11:00 a.m.	CLL “For Men Only”: Russia	Anderson Hall South Balcony
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

### Friday, May 28

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
3:30 p.m.	Serving Fourth Friday Supper	Catholic Charities
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk Available	Anderson Hall
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Taizé</b>	<b>Blair Chapel</b>

### Preaching on Sunday, May 30

Sarah A. Johnson preaching	8:00 a.m.
Joyce Shin preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader 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.