

News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life adult education classes meet today at The Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). “**Notions of the Afterlife,**” led by Adam Rose, and “**Money Enough,**” led by Vicky Curtiss and Lisa Radetski, meet at 9:30 a.m. “**Introduction to the Bible,**” taught by Tom Dozeman, and “**Writing about Your Beliefs,**” taught by Michele Weldon, meet at 11:00 a.m. “**History of Peoples in the Holy Land,**” led by John Vest and Adam Fronczek, does not meet today but will resume Sunday, April 3 at 9:30 a.m.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
CLL, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Nia fitness classes offered through the Center for Whole Health

start Wednesday, March 30 and continue twice a week for twelve weeks. Sessions are held at 10:00 a.m. at the 737 building. To register, call 312.787.2729, ext. 371 (www.NiaChicago.com).

A “**U.S. and Global Economics**” **luncheon program** for men sixty and more will be presented by University of Chicago Professor Emeritus George Tolley on Wednesday, March 30 at 11:00 a.m. at the 737 building. To RSVP, call the Center for Life and Learning at 312.981.3386.

“**The Oral History Project: The People and History of Fourth Church**” will be presented by Tom Rook on Friday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. To RSVP for this event hosted by Cornerstones, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by Monday, March 28.

The Men’s Group will meet for breakfast Saturday, April 9 at 8:00 a.m. Steve Durchslag will talk about and show his collection of the Haggadah, a religious text presenting the order of the Passover Seder. RSVP at 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, April 6.

Books by Women will discuss *Still Life: A Chief Inspector Gamache Novel* by Louise Penny at its Tuesday, April 12 gathering at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

The Book Nook is located in the Loggia during Coffee Hour.

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults age twenty-two to thirty-five meet today at 12:30 p.m. in the Knox Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building for fellowship and discussion.

Fourth Dimension will host Kindy Kruller of the Delta Institute on Friday, April 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. RSVP by calling with Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to replenish a care team for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

Tutors on Wednesday or Thursday, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

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

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Volunteers are needed today to tie blue bows in the Loggia after the morning services in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. Volunteers are also needed to tie bows on trees and fences on Friday, April 1 outside the Cloisters along Michigan Avenue between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. To volunteer, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, stop by the Narthex after worship or contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

A letter urging legislators to oppose funding cuts to mental health and housing programs is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html.

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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The Benevolent Guild gathers on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Calvin Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building to create tray favors and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

A new mission trip to Guatemala, led by Tom and Sue Schemper, will take place July 22-31. Applications are due Saturday, April 30.

Applications for the “Urban Regeneration: Chicago” mission weekend (May 13–15) and the **Northern Ireland mission trip** (July 31–August 9) are due April 15 and May 1, respectively. Information and applications for all mission trips are available in the literature racks, online at www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html, or by contacting Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The medieval play *Abraham and Isaac* presented by Fourth Acts will be today at 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Pianist Sharon Rich-Peterson will perform this Friday's Free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

A Michigan Avenue Forum on the art of Georges Rouault will be held on Monday, April 4. Sandra Bowden will speak and lead a gallery tour. A collection of Rouault's work, “Seeing Christ in the Darkness,” is on exhibition in the Loggia.

A Ukrainian Easter egg workshop will be held Saturday, April 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the 737 building. Space is limited. RSVP to Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Monday, April 11.

LENT

An interfaith seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, will be held Tuesday, April 12 at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are available at the church reception desk through Friday, April 4.

ThirtiesForties meets today for a Lenten book study at 12:30 p.m. in the Superior Room at the 737 building.

Daily Lenten devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available in the church literature racks, by email (simply send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org), at www.fourthchurch.org, and by Twitter: www.twitter.com/FourthChicago.

A Holy Week retreat offering time for quiet prayer and reflection will be led by Vicky Curtiss Friday, April 22 to Saturday, April 23 at the Cenacle. Details can be found in the literature racks. Register with Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Thursday, March 31.

Remember loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Friday, April 8 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall.

Fourth Church youth meet today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building, with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Knox Room, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) in the Calvin Room, and Senior Highs in the Multipurpose Space.

The nursery for young children is located in the Page Smith Room and second-floor Conference Room.

WORSHIP

A jazz service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. A Bible study and discussion follows the service.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

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.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

A congregational meeting has been called by the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church for Sunday, April 3 following 11:00 a.m. worship. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the Associate Pastor for Nominating Committee for Congregational Care.

Project Second Century cards are available in the pew racks and throughout the church. Information and an online giving form are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html and from the Resource Development office: Lisa Radetski (312.981.3380), Kathryn Johnson (312.640.2576), or Anita Bright (312.274.3822).

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm is holding open hours on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New volunteer orientation is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For details call Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

Demolition pictures are posted on Facebook: facebook.com/fourthchurch.

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 27–April 2, 2011

Sunday, March 27

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Conference Room	
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Loggia and the Tent
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		The Clare
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes		The Clare
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Loggia and the Tent
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Academy Classes		The Clare
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Loggia and the Tent
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	ThirtiesForties Lenten Book Study	Superior Room – 737 Building	
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Knox Room – 737 Building	
12:30 p.m.	<i>Abraham and Isaac</i>		Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Adam H. Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Lenten Bible Study and Sermon Discussion		Sanctuary

Monday, March 28

9:00 a.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday)	Manse
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Anderson Hall

Tuesday, March 29

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	“Women, Food, and God”	Calvin Room – 737 Building

Wednesday, March 30

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Calvin Room – 737 Building
10:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class	737 Building
11:00 a.m.	“U.S. and Global Economics”	737 Building

Friday, April 1

10:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class	737 Building
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Knox Room – 737 Building
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Sharon Rich-Peterson, piano	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	“The Oral History Project”	737 Building

Saturday, April 2

10:00 a.m.	Urban Farm Volunteer Orientation	444 W. Chicago Ave.
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Preaching on Sunday, April 3

Joyce Shin 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.