

September 23–29, 2012

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

“Get Connected” through fellowship, education, and service at Fourth Church! Today all are invited to Anderson Hall following worship for the annual “Get Connected” Coffee Hour to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities.

Coffee Hour today is sponsored by Jo (Preuninger) and Hamish Forrest in celebration of their marriage yesterday. To sponsor Coffee Hour, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

Pastor Nominating Committee members will be in Coffee Hour today to answer questions about the PNC process. More information about the PNC is available at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.

What is going on when and where at Fourth Church? Check out the calendar on the Fourth Church website: www.fourthchurch.org.

REFLECTING THE LOVE OF GOD

“Reflecting the Love of God” response cards have been mailed to member homes with an invitation to participate in the 2013 Annual Appeal, which provides vital support for the daily work of Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. Stop by Coffee Hour today to learn more about the ways in which we live out our call to “Reflect the Love of God” and join in completing a response card by Commitment Sunday, October 28. Details and an online response form are also available at www.fourthchurch.org.

WORSHIP

K.C. Ptomey Jr., Zbinden Professor of Pastoral Ministry and Leadership at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, is preaching at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship today.

Morning Prayer is held on weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except on Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

Have you seen the cornerstone laying pictures?

The photos of Sunday School in the catacombs? Pictures of the Gratz Center green roof? They're all posted—along with many others!—on our page on Facebook (facebook.com/fourthchurch, or scan this QR code). You can find these photos and stories via our website as well: www.fourthchurch.org.



Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Individuals may also place written prayer requests outside Stone Chapel.

A service in the style of Taizé, which is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month, will be this Friday, September 28. It will be preceded by opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Details about the 2013 South Africa mission trip are available at the Mission table in Coffee Hour. Applications are due Monday, October 1.

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 Mission table during Coffee Hour.

Safety issues and strategies for community involvement will be the topic of a presentation by the commander of the 18th District of the Chicago Police Department at the Near North Unity Program—of which Fourth Church is a member—on Monday, September 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Center (1111 N. Wells).

Sewing and Knitting Group, which makes items to donate to children and families in shelters, hospitals, and nursing homes, will meet this Tuesday, September 25 at 5:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

Peace and justice issues in the Middle East will be the topic of a luncheon presentation by Majd Lahham, an international peacemaker from Damascus, Syria, this Tuesday, September 25 at 12:00 noon at the 737 building. RSVP (required) for lunch to Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

Voter registration will be offered next Sunday during Coffee Hour for those who have not registered or whose name or address has changed. Two forms of identification will be required: one with name and current address and a second ID with name.

Old prescription eyeglasses will be collected at the Mission table at Coffee Hour next Sunday, September 30.

Helping Hands, the hands-on mission group at Fourth Church, will meet on Wednesday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Monday is the deadline for Fall Family Camp registration forms, which are available at www.fourthchurch.org/children/family-camp.html or by calling Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578. Fall Family Camp takes place next weekend.

Sunday School classes are held each week at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The Cherub, Children's, and Youth Choirs rehearse today, with the Youth Choir at 9:30 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, the Cherub Choir at 10:30 a.m. in the Dining Room, and the Children's Choir at 11:00 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room.

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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Confirmation youth and leaders are on retreat this weekend at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan.

Youth in Elevation (grades 6–7) and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) gather today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building (on Chicago Avenue, just east of Michigan).

A new Lakeview Parents' Group will meet on Tuesdays, beginning October 9, at 11:00 a.m. For information, email Liz Nickerson at lnickerson@fourthchurch.org.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Organist John W. W. Sherer will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Fourth Church Choral Society's first rehearsal is open to all singers in the community and will be held on October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults will gather today at 12:30 p.m. at the 737 building for fellowship and discussion.

ThirtiesForties will meet for fellowship this Thursday, September 27 at 5:30 p.m. at ZED451 (739 N. Clark).

Cornerstones will attend a presentation by Dr. Robert Schenck on Friday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. at the 737 building. RSVP at 312.787.2727, ext. 454 by Wednesday, October 3.

ENRICHMENT

A monthly book conversation on *Jerusalem: A Biography* with Adam Fronczek begins on Tuesday, October 2. Participants are asked to read through Part 3 by that first session.

Four new Academy for Faith and Life classes begin on Sunday, September 30: "Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry," led by a different Fourth Church pastor each Sunday, at 9:30 a.m.; "The Book of Mormon," led by Adam Rose, at 9:30 a.m.; "Before and After Constantine," led by Ken Sawyer, at 11:00 a.m.; and "Faith, Politics, and Why You Should Care," led by Edwin Estevez, at 11:00 a.m. Details are available in Coffee Hour and at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! Identical Bible studies that offer opportunity to reflect on the assigned texts meet on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., both at the 737 building. Devotions on the texts are available online and via Facebook, Twitter, and email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to teach Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. to three-year-olds or at 11:00 a.m. to kindergarteners/first graders on alternate Sundays

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers, on rotation

A shopping aide to assist food pantry guests on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Dishwashers following Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Sorters to go through donated clothes on Mondays or Thursdays

Current Donation Needs

Men's sturdy clothes in larger sizes (coats, sweaters, pants, socks, etc.)

For details, to volunteer, or for information about other opportunities, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 or visit www.fourthchurch.org.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 23–29, 2012

Sunday, September 23

7:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Loft
7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Anderson Hall S. Balcony
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching
9:00 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Third Floor Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir Rehearsal	Third Floor Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	737 Building
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship	Judith L. Watt preaching
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room

Monday, September 24

9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Day School <i>(also Tuesday–Friday)</i>	Manse
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer <i>(also Wednesday–Friday)</i>	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	CLL Classes <i>(also Tuesday–Friday)</i>	737 Building

Tuesday, September 25

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
12:00 noon	Majd Lahham Presentation	Knox Room – 737 Building
5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Group	737 Building
6:00 p.m.	“Reading the Bible in a Year” Bible Study	737 Building

Wednesday, September 26

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Superior Room – 737 Building
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Thursday, September 27

10:00 a.m.	“Reading the Bible in a Year” Bible Study	737 Building
5:30 p.m.	ThirtiesForties	<i>(see announcement)</i>
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Loft

Friday, September 28

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall
7:30 p.m.	Taizé Service	Sanctuary

Preaching on Sunday, September 30

Hardy H. Kim preaching	8:00 a.m.
John H. Boyle preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Adam H. Fronczek preaching	4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. 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 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.