

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

"Get Connected, Stay Connected," a one-session class taught by Joyce Shin and members of Fourth Church, takes place today at 9:30 a.m. Participants will attend 11:00 worship as a group; a luncheon will be served in the Dining Room immediately following the service.

"Health Claims for Omega-3 Fatty

Acids," a seminar offered by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church, will be held this Tuesday, February 27 at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

Orders are being taken for the first-ever Chicago Avenue Community Garden Cookbook. The cookbook features recipes, artwork, and stories by members of the Fourth Church garden community. For more information or to order a copy, contact Anne Ellis at the church (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org). Proceeds benefit the Chicago Avenue Community Garden.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

Printed copies of recent sermons are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org, where audio versions of morning sermons are also available. For tapes and CDs of morning services, stop by Coffee Hour.

LENT

Midweek Lenten worship takes place each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

Daily Lenten Devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff are available by e-mail (new subscribers to daily devotions can send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org), at www.fourthchurch.org, and in a printed booklet available in the church literature racks.

A silent retreat for Holy Week will take place Friday evening and Saturday, April 6 and 7 at the Cenacle Retreat Center (513 W. Fullerton). Register by Friday, March 16 by picking up a form from the literature racks, visiting www.fourthchurch.org, or calling Martha Langford at the church at 312.981.4034.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Civic Orchestra of Chicago will be in concert today at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

"Seek Ye the Lord While He May Be Found," an exhibition featuring works by Chicago artist Melvin King and friends, is on display in the Loggia and the Gallery through February 28.

Clarinetist Jennifer Woodrum will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

An artist reception will be held next Sunday, March 4 for photographer Jane Fulton Alt from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A brunch will follow. (To RSVP for the March 4 brunch, call Sheila Cotter at the church at 312.573.3366.) Alt's exhibition, "Look and Leave: New Orleans in the Wake of Katrina," will be on display in the Loggia from March 4 to April 15. During the month of March, photos from Fourth Church mission trips to New Orleans will be on display in the Gallery. For information about Fourth Church mission trips, call Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at the church at 312.981.3384.

ENRICHMENT

Today's Academy for Faith and Life classes are "The Book of Amos," taught by John Vest, at 8:00 a.m. "The Domestication of Transcendence: How Modern Thinking about God Went Wrong," taught by Adam Fronczek, at 9:30 a.m., and "So You've Been Asked to Teach Church School—What Now?" taught by Donna Gray at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Books are available during Coffee Hour for those interested in reading ahead for Community Book Group gatherings. The next discussion will be on Tuesday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. The group will discuss *Leaving Church: A Memoir of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor, who will preach at Fourth Church on March 18.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

Cornerstones will meet on Friday, March 2 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall to hear Betty Bergstrom's presentation, "Herstory: The Other Half of History." RSVP by Friday, February 23 by calling the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

The Graduate and Undergraduate

College Connection groups will meet next Sunday, March 4 at 4:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room for lunch, fellowship, and a discussion on the "Five Love Languages," as described by Gary Chapman. RSVP by calling Sheila Cotter at 312.573.3366.

"Books by Women" will meet Tuesday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *March* by Geraldine Brooks.

Fourth Dimension will meet on Friday, March 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Ray Hanania will speak on "Defining the Moderate Voice in the Middle East." RSVP by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet for breakfast on Saturday, March 10 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Jeremy Taylor, troubadour, poet, and storyteller, will talk about his experiences fighting apartheid in South Africa. RSVP by 12:00 noon on Friday, March 9 by calling the church office at 312.787.4570. All are invited.

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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WORSHIP

A Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Morning prayer is held each weekday at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside Stone Chapel or the box at the Volunteer table. They also can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, March 23.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Information about providing adequate health care in Illinois is available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

Rebecca Young, an ordained Presbyterian minister and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's Liaison for Tsunami Recovery, will speak at a brunch hosted by the Mission Committee today following 11:00 worship.

Applications for the May 27–June 1 trip to Lakota reservations in South Dakota are due March 1. The application deadline for the trip to China (July 2–16) is March 19. For details and an application form, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or visit www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.org.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Sunday school meets today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

Fourth Church Rising (Confirmation) meets today at 9:00 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Elevation (grades 6–8) Sunday School meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Manse followed by fellowship at 10:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest for the Senior High Work Camp Rally. Information, fund-raising dates, and registration packets for this summer's work camp will be available.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children in a Fourth Church program on weekdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Assistants for Kids' Cafe, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week Tech-savvy individual to check the

working condition of donated PDAs and computers

Current Donation Needs Late-model desk or laptop computers Men's casual winter clothes in large sizes Cell phones and empty toner and ink cartridges to benefit a nonprofit agency serving homeless and formerly homeless women

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson at the church at 312.981.3382.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 25-MARCH 3, 2007

Sunday, February 25		
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan pread	
8:00 a.m.		Anderson Hall S. Balcony
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Fourth Church Rising	Crow's Nest
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9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Elevation Sunday School	Manse
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
9:30 a.m.	"Get Connected, Stay Connected"	Randolph Room
9:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Elevation Fellowship	Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan pread	
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11:00 a.m.	5	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
1	New Member Brunch	
12:00 p.m.		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Mission Committee Brunch	Activity Center
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
3:00 p.m.	Concert: Civic Orchestra of Chicago	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Alice M. Trowbridge pre	
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall
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 Keith C. Harris
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Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.