

News and Opportunities

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Sunday Night Supper will expand and relocate to Anderson Hall on June 7, following 4:00 p.m. worship, creating additional volunteer opportunities:

Ushers, readers, and musicians to help with 4:00 p.m. worship

Cooks and servers to assist in preparing and distributing the food

Setup crew to open tables, arrange chairs
Dining Room hosts to oversee setup and
breakdown, provide direction and
assistance to servers

Beverage pourers to serve guests at tables Breakdown crew to collapse tables, stack chairs

Dish washers to collect and clean dishes
Computer supervisor to help guests
using the computer lab

Tablecloth washers to clean linens

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

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Today at 3:00 p.m. the Chicago Chamber Orchestra will be in concert in the sanctuary. Next Sunday, May 17 at 3:00 p.m., the Apollo Chorus of Chicago will perform in the sanctuary. Tickets for the Apollo Chorus concert are available at www.apollochorus.org or by calling 312.427.5620.

Fourth Church Director of Music and Organist John Sherer will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Fair trade artisans from Peru will speak on Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel, in celebration of Fair Trade Week.

The Ninth Annual Festival of the Heart, "Can You Hear Me Now?", presented by students from the Chicago Lights Literacy and Arts Program at the Near North Magnet Cluster Schools, will take place May 13–15 at Park Community Church (1101 N. Crosby). For more information, contact Allison Graham at 312.981.3596.

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden will open Saturday, May 16. For details or to register for a plot, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 or complete the form online at www.fourthchurch.org.

The 24th Annual Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk will take place on Saturday, June 20. A team from Fourth Church will participate in this event by walking and raising funds to eliminate hunger. Donations will help fund the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center food pantry, bag-lunch programs, and Sunday and Monday night community suppers. For more details, to join the team, or to donate, contact Kathleen McKenzie at 312.981.3569.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today is the Elevation Mother's Day Flower Sale. Flowers can be bought during Coffee Hour to help raise funds for the youth's trip to assist with the Illinois Special Olympics (June 11–14).

Sunday School classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) and **Senior Highs** (grade 9–12) and meet today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Crow's Nest.

Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree in 2009 are asked to contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364 by Monday, May 11 so that they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 17.

Mothers with children age 0–4 are invited to join an Evening Moms' Group. The first meeting is this Wednesday, May 13. For details or to RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at enickerson@ fourthchurch.org.

"Let's Take Care of the Earth" is the theme of the Friday, May 15 Family Night. Families are invited to bring their own plates and cups for dinner to cut down on waste. Younger children are invited to arrive early at 5:30 p.m. for age-appropriate activities; dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

The ThirtiesForties fellowship group will host a game night on Friday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Manse. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, June 1.

Cornerstones, a fellowship opportunity for couples age fifty and over, will take an architectural cruise down the Chicago River on Friday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. There are a limited number of tickets available; for information or to register, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

ENRICHMENT

Today's adult education classes, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "A Tradition of Faithfulness: The Story of Fourth Church" in Anderson Hall N. Balcony A and "Islam in the Modern World" in Anderson Hall S. Balcony at 9:30 a.m.; "Energy, Theology, and the Environment" in Anderson Hall N. Balcony B and "Reflections on the Protestant Reformation" in Anderson Hall S. Balcony at 11:00 a.m.; and "Jewish Contributions to Christian Thought" in Anderson Hall S. Balcony at 12:30 p.m.

Weekly Bible Study opportunities: *John Knox*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. *Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. *Life and Learning*, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

A "Triumph over Cancer" support session for those living with cancer will be offered Tuesday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room and is sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health. For details, call the Triumph over Cancer Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

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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An informational session on "Faithful Living in the Midst of Financial Turmoil" will be offered this Tuesday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. This workshop will provide participants a safe space to examine their personal spending histories and biblical teachings on that matter as well as financial management services offered by the Career Transitions Center. For more details or to RSVP, contact Carol Allerton at 312.640.5448 (callerton@fourthchurch.org).

A reading and discussion of Healing Spaces: The Science of Place and Well-Being, led by author Esther Sternberg, will take place on Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. A reception and book-signing will follow the event.

"One Dish Wonders" is the topic of an upcoming CLL Minicourse on Wednesdays, May 20 and 27. All men and women sixty and over are welcome. To register, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387 (pamis@fourthchurch.org).

"Spend Your Supermarket Dollars Wisely" is the topic of a Tuesday, May 26 educational session sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health at 12:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Prior to the event, at 11:30 a.m., participants are invited to bring a brownbag lunch and enjoy a time of fellowship.

The Community Book Group will meet on Tuesday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room to discuss *The Mystery of the Child* by Martin Marty.

Books by Women will meet Tuesday, June 2 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *The Red Leather Diary* by Lily Koppel.

WORSHIP

A communion Vespers service will be held tonight at 6:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

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.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m., to pray for members of the congregation and those in need.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held each fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

A weekly 4:00 Sunday afternoon service will begin on Sunday, June 7. This exciting new worship opportunity will have a casual, family-friendly feel and will include Communion. The last 6:30 p.m. Vespers service will be held Sunday, May 31. After each 4:00 service, all will be invited to share in a community meal.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

An old-fashioned congregational lunch on Sunday, May 17 will celebrate the 95th anniversary of the Fourth Church sanctuary and the 100th anniversary of Pastor John Timothy Stone's ministry at Fourth Church. Space is limited; tickets are available during Coffee Hour and, during the week, at the reception desk.

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For information about available resources, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch. org), call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a "Fourth Church Cares" card from the literature racks.

CALENDAR FOR May 10-16, 2009

Sunday, May 10		
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John H. Boyle preaching	
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Elevation Flower Fund-raiser	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preach	
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes	Anderson Hall Balconies
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Senior Highs, Fourth Church Rising	Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preach	
11:00 a.m.	Academy Classes	Anderson Hall Balconies
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Academy Class	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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6:30 p.m.	Vespers Joann H. Lee Preaching	Sanctuary
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Preaching on Sunday, May 17

Joyce Shin 8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
John W. Vest 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sunday mornings at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, at the rate of \$7.00 for three hours 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 for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.