News and Opportunities

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

A LIGHT IN THE CITY

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U2charist, a communion service focused on social justice issues and featuring the music of U2, performed by a live cover band, will take place this Friday, September 11 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Senior Highs Lock-In will take place this Friday, September 11, following U2charist and finishing up Saturday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m. To register, contact Adrienne Glover at 312.573.3364.

"Steppin' Up Sunday" is next Sunday, September 13. Sunday school classes for children will resume meeting at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House. Youth will meet at 10:30 a.m. with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Manse Basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9-12) in the Crow's Nest. Choir practice will be held in the Dining Room, with Junior High Choir at 9:30 a.m., Cherub Choir at 10:30 a.m., Children's Choir at 11:00 a.m., and Senior High Choir at 11:45 a.m. At 12:00 noon, children, youth, and their families will be invited to a luncheon in Anderson Hall.

The Bright Horizons Children's Center,

a full-day licensed child care and early education facility at Fourth Church, has openings for children ages two to five. To schedule a tour of the Children's Center, contact Licia Palmore at 312.640.5870.

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities: John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

The Center for Life and Learning's Autumn Open House will take place this Thursday, September 10. Attend during the day from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall or in the evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, visit the CLL desk during the week or call the Open House Infoline at 312.640.5459.

Those sixty and over are invited to a luncheon and opportunity to learn about Wii fitness on Thursday, September 10 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To register, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

Caring Circles, classes to equip participants in the CLL's Friendly Visitors project, will kick off on Thursday, September 17 at 1:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. No registration is required.

An eight-session T'ai Chi course for beginners will start Thursday, September 17 at 5:00 p.m. For more details or to register, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

The author of *A. Lincoln: A Biography*, Ronald C. White, will discuss his book at an upcoming Michigan Avenue Forum on Tuesday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. Thomas Long, a widely admired preacher and influential teacher of preaching, will speak at the annual *Christian Century* lecture on Thursday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Club of Chicago (201 E. Ontario). For ticket fee and reservation information, contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 (event@christiancentury.org).

New Academy for Faith and Life courses

will begin Sunday, September 27. Course descriptions are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch. org/academy.html.

Fourth Church members and friends are invited to travel to Egypt on an educational tour led by Adam Fronczek January 10–24, 2010. Information is available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website. Those interested in applying are invited to contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chancel Choir invites additional voices to join them in singing during 8:00 a.m. worship throughout the program year; their first practice will be Thursday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Voices are also needed for the Chamber Choir, which sings during 4:00 p.m. worship and practices at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary prior to that service. For details, contact John Sherer at 312.981.3592 (jsherer@fourthchurch.org).

Instrumentalists, especially those with an interest in world music, are invited to share their talents during the 4:00 service or monthly Taizé worship. To volunteer, contact John Sherer at 312.981.3592.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Red Cross-certified lifeguard for Fourth Church Family Camp in Saugatuck October 10–11; expenses covered

Community Supper volunteers to help with various tasks on Sundays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday bread-cutters for 8:00 a.m. Sunday Communion

- **Sunday School teachers** for 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. classes, alternate Sundays, with a partner; training is provided
- **Reading and math tutors** for elementary children at two Cabrini-Green schools; 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., several times a week

For details and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The Benevolent Guild, which gathers to create toys and treats for children in hospitals and shelters, will resume meeting Wednesday, September 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Those interested in becoming a tutor and mentor for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program are invited to attend one of the following orientation sessions: Wednesday, September 9; Tuesday, September 15; Thursday, September 17; or Monday, September 21 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Contact Meghan Stegemann at 312.981.3560 for details.

Multicultural initiatives at Fourth Church will be the topic of a luncheon meeting Sunday, September 13 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To RSVP, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

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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FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 10:00 a.m. in the Manse.

"Men, Commitment, and Emotions: What Do Men Want?" is the topic of the upcoming Men's Group meeting, which will be held Saturday, September 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Dr. Paul Giblin of the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University will be the keynote speaker. To RSVP, call the church office at 312.787.4570 by Friday, September 11.

The ThirtiesForties fellowship group

will hold a fall kickoff potluck brunch on Sunday, September 13 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. For information or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fourth Dimension, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their late forties and older, will host a program on Friday, September 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Olympics expert John MacAloon of the University of Chicago will be the keynote speaker. Preregistration is required; for details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

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 12:15 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.

An afternoon worship service including Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. After each 4:00 service, all are invited to share in a community meal in Anderson Hall. **Morning Prayer** will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday through Friday. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel and offers an opportunity to pray for those in need.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

"Get Connected" through fellowship, education, and service at Fourth Church! On Sunday, September 20, all are invited to Anderson Hall following worship to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, and other activities. On Sunday, September 27, all are encouraged to attend Coffee Hour to learn about volunteer opportunities.

"Bike to Church Sunday," a day when all are invited to cycle to church, will take place Sunday, September 27 and is sponsored by the Fourth Church Cycling Club. For more details, email cyclists@ fourthchurch.org.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

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 SEPTEMBER 6-12, 2009

Sunday, September 6 7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 12:15 p.m. 12:15 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Nursery Morning Worship Coffee Hour Morning Worship John Knox Bible Stud The Gathering Coffee Hour Intercessory Prayer Morning Worship Coffee Hour Intercessory Prayer Church Tour Church Tour Chamber Choir Rehea Afternoon Worship Community Supper	John M. Buchanan preach	Page Smith Room Manse Garth Stone Chapel ing Sanctuary Garth Stone Chapel Sanctuary Sanctuary
Monday, September 7	Church Office Close	l: Labor Day	
Tuesday, September 8 9:00 a.m. 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Garden Open Hours (Stone Chapel Community Garden
Wednesday, September 9 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Benevolent Guild Nia Class (also Friday Noonday Bible Study Tutoring Orientation		Stone Chapel Page Smith Room Anderson Hall Large Conference Room Anderson Hall
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Saturday, September 12 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Men's Group Breakfa: Fourth Church Open Garden Open Hours		Dining Room Sanctuary Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, September 13

Alice M. Trowbridge preaching 8:00 a.m. John M. Buchanan preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Victoria G. Curtiss 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 \$7.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.