

News and Opportunities

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 is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel.

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

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today is Mission Trip Sunday. All are invited to Anderson Hall following worship to learn of trips planned for 2010.

The purple bows on the Michigan Avenue trees represent the thousands of individuals who are victims of domestic violence each year.

A Guatemalan school serving children with disabilities and learning challenges will be the topic of a Mission Committeesponsored program on Sunday, October 11 at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. For more information, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384.

"Shop for a Cause" Saturday, October 17 and support Chicago Lights Tutoring. Macy's discount passes will be available today during Coffee Hour or by contacting Kathryn Johnson (312.640.2576); proceeds from these passes will benefit the Tutoring program.

The 2009 CROP Walk to alleviate global hunger will take place Sunday, October 18 at UIC (750 S. Halsted St.). To donate or sign up to walk with the Fourth Church team, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 or visit www. fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Tutoring program **Reading and math tutors** for elementary children at two Cabrini-Green schools

Choir members and instrumentalists for 4:00 p.m. worship

Sunday School teachers for 11:00 a.m. classes; alternate Sundays

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

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

Women, Sundays at 9:00 a.m. John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Today's adult education opportunities, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "Doing Theology inside The Shack" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A) and "The Bible and Our Culture" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m.; and "Egypt and the Bible" (Anderson Hall North Balcony A) and "The Book of Job and the Invention of Faith" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, call the church at 312.573.3364.

Fourth Church will mark the 500th anniversary of the birth of reformer John Calvin with a variety of special observances, including a celebrative gathering at the Newberry Library on Thursday evening, October 15 and a series of presentations on Saturday morning, October 17 by John Buchanan, Cynthia Campbell, Anna Case-Winters, and Adam Fronczek. For details, pick up an Academy for Faith and Life brochure from the literature racks or visit www.fourthchurch.org/calvin.html. To register, contact the Academy Office at 312.573.3364 (academy@fourthchurch.org).

"Becoming a Multicultural Church," a workshop for church members and friends, will be held Sunday, October 25 at 11:00 a.m. in the Activity Center. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The 2009 Covenant Network Conference will be held November 5–7 in Cleveland. Those interested in attending are asked to call J.C. Cadwallader at 312.640.2571.

Krista Tippett of NPR's "Speaking of Faith" will be interviewed by Eboo Patel at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.fourthchurch. org/academy.html or contacting the Academy Office at 312.573.3364.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Directions and the easiest routes to get to Fourth Church next Sunday, October 11, the day of the Chicago Marathon, can be found in the September/October *Fourth Press* and at www.fourthchurch.org.

"Called to be a Church Alive," the 2010 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights, is underway. Giving response cards have been sent to member homes and are also available in the pew racks, online, and wherever "Church Alive" display stands can be found. Please return completed cards by Sunday, October 25 so that we may faithfully plan and budget for 2010. In addition, all are invited to share their "Church Alive" reflections by visiting the blog linked to the Fourth Church website (www.fourthchurch.org/ churchalive.html). For details, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Individual and Planned Giving, at 312.981.3380.

Challenge Fund update: We have received \$315,000 in response to the \$360,000 challenge fund in support of the 2009 Annual Appeal. Thank you to all who have contributed!

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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Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For more information, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360.

Project Second Century: Called to Love and Serve (P2C) is Fourth Church's initiative to expand our programs, service, and presence in the city, and, importantly, the facilities and financial strength that will enable such growth. As part of our commitment to offer up timely information about this endeavor, news about P2C will be shared in this space throughout the year. Recent milestones include the completion of preliminary plans for a new building; distribution of a request for proposal to selected architectural firms; initial conversations related to the city approval process; and the first stages of plans for a capital fundraising campaign. For details about P2C, visit www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html or contact Rob Holben at 312,274,3821.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chicago Ensemble will be in concert in Blair Chapel on Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call 773.889.4206 or visit www.thechicagoensemble.org.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

Fourth Church youth meet today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon: 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.

A new evenings moms' group will meet on the first Tuesday of the month, starting October 6. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at enickerson@fourthchurch.org.

A "Great Expectations" baby shower

for parents who are expecting or have welcomed a child into their family in the past year will be held Sunday, October 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse. To RSVP, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

FELLOWSHIP

Books by Women will meet this Tuesday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse to discuss *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*. All are welcome.

Christian Century Study Groups provide opportunity to discuss challenging social, ethical, and theological issues as addressed in the *Christian Century*. Study groups will meet beginning this Wednesday, October 7. To register, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Fourth Dimension, a fellowship group for individuals age forty-seven and older, will meet this Friday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a talk on "Building Sustainable Communities." Preregistration is required; for details, call the infoline (312.787.2729, ext. 494).

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet this Saturday, October 10 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room for a talk from John Boyle entitled, "Some Thoughts While Shaving: Musings About Traversing Transitions and Change in Life." To RSVP, call 312.787.4570 before noon on Friday, October 9.

ThirtiesForties, a fellowship group for individuals and couples in their thirties and forties, will participate in the Andersonville Dessert Crawl on Sunday, October 11. For more information, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

The Community Book Group will meet Tuesday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss *Watchmen* by Alan Moore. John Vest will lead the group discussion.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 4-10, 2009

Sunday, October 4						
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14			
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sarah A. Johnson preach	ing Sanctuary			
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir	·	Dining Room			
9:00 a.m.	Mission Trip Sunday		Anderson Hall			
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	,	Large Conference Room			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ning Sanctuary			
9:30 a.m.	Academy Classes		Anderson Hall Balconies			
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Stud	ly	Page Smith Room			
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House			
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Choir		Dining Room			
10:30 a.m.	Mission Trip Sunday		Anderson Hall			
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel			
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Ch	urch Rising, Senior Highs	(see announcement)			
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Dining Room			
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ning Sanctuary			
11:00 a.m.	Academy Classes	· .	Anderson Hall Balconies			
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House			
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir		Dining Room			
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir		Dining Room			
12:15 p.m.	Mission Trip Sunday		Anderson Hall			
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel			
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary			
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room			
3:00 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehe	arsal	Sanctuary			
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Joann H. Lee preaching	Sanctuary			
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper	,	Anderson Haĺl			
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Monday, October 5) () D	TAT 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0. 01 1			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also	Wednesday-Friday)	Stone Chapel			
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room			
Tuesday, October 6						
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study		(see announcement)			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel			
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours	also Thursday)	Community Garden			
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Manse			
6:00 p.m.	Triumph over Cancer		Randolph Room			
7:30 p.m.	The Chicago Ensemb		Blair Chapel			
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9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Page Smith Room			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room			
5:30 p.m.	Christian Century St	idy Groups	Manse			
Thursday, October 8						
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehea	rsal	Sanctuary			
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Friday, October 9	orr pull of 1		D 0 11 D			
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Page Smith Room			
12:10 p.m.		Paul Trumpet Ensemble	Sanctuary			
5:00 p.m.		h Sunday, October 11)	Presbyterian Camps			
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension		Anderson Hall			
Saturday, October 10						
8:00 a.m.	Men's Group		Dining Room			
11:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Garden Open Hours		Community Garden			
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Preaching on Sunday, October 11

Joyce Shin preaching 8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Adam 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 \$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.