

News and Opportunities

LENT AND EASTER

An Interfaith Passover Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, will be held this Tuesday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available at Coffee Hour until 1:00 p.m. today.

This Friday, March 26 is the deadline to memorialize or honor loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the sanctuary. A list of those remembered and honored will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks and online at www. fourthchurch.org or by contacting Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381.

A Lenten Taizé service will be held this Friday, March 26. Prior to that service, a Lenten labyrinth walk will be available from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

On Palm Sunday, March 28 the final morning service will be held at 11:30 a.m. A processional for children and families will be part of 9:30 and 11:30 worship.

During Holy Week, March 29–April 2, worship services will be held each day at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary, with a lunch following in Anderson Hall. On Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, there will also be services at 7:30 p.m.

An Easter Vigil will be held on Holy Saturday, April 3 at 10:30 p.m. starting in the Garth and ending in the sanctuary with a reaffirmation of baptismal vows and celebration of the Lord's Supper as Easter arrives at midnight. (This year Confirmation will take place on Sunday morning, April 11 instead of at the Vigil.)

Easter Brunch will take place on Sunday, April 4 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk.

Join Us for Worship on Easter Sunday, April 4

6:30 a.m.

Sunrise Service at Oak Street Beach Calum I. MacLeod preaching

8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Easter Service with Tower Brass John Buchanan preaching

4:00 p.m.

Adam Fronczek preaching

The last morning worship service begins at 11:30 a.m. on Easter. Please keep in mind that sanctuary seating fills quickly and early and also be prepared for possible delays in entering and exiting the parking garages as a result of increased traffic volume.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

Fourth Church youth meet each Sunday: Senior Highs (grades 9–12) will meet at the Chestnut entrance at 9:30 a.m. today to attend worship at Trinity United Church of Christ; Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) is on retreat; and Elevation (grades 6–7) will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Manse basement.

The Palm Sunday Processional of children and families will begin 9:30 and 11:30 worship next Sunday, March 28. Prior to those services, teachers will bring students from their Sunday School classrooms to the Loggia. Parents wishing to carry infants and toddlers during the processional are asked to meet in the Loggia 15 minutes before the service. Sunday School classes will begin after each processional.

A Good Friday Service for children and families will be held Friday, April 2 in Blair Chapel at 4:00 p.m., followed by supper at 5:00 p.m. in the Dining Room.

An Easter service for children four years of age through fifth grade will be held Sunday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster House. Children coming to this service should enter by the door on Delaware, next to the Whitehall Hotel.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chicago Ensemble will perform on Tuesday, March 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets will be available at the door.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

A Bequest Tea, sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning and led by Director of Individual and Planned Giving, Lisa Radetski, will be held this Thursday, March 25 at 2:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details or to RSVP, contact Patricia Amis by Tuesday, March 23 at 312.981.3387 (pamis@fourthchurch.org).

MISSION AND OUTREACH

A letter regarding legislation to abolish the death penalty in Illinois, to be sent to the governor, will be available to sign today at the Mission table.

The Sewing and Knitting Workshop will meet this Tuesday, March 23 at 5:00 p.m.

The Benevolent Guild will gather this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room to create toys and treats for children in hospitals and shelters.

Mission trip applications for the Honduras trip (July 28–August 8) are due Monday, March 29. The application deadline for the June 21–26 trip to Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations is Monday, April 5. Details and applications are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Women@Fourth Connect will observe Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month with a prayer service and press conference on Thursday, April 1 at 9:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Following the service, volunteers are needed to tie blue bows to the trees outside the cloisters. To sign up, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

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

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.

An afternoon worship service including Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for young adults, meets Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

Cornerstones, a fellowship group for couples, spouses, and partners age fifty and over, will meet next Friday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse for a Good Friday supper; afterwards, they will attend the choral service at 7:30 p.m. For details or to RSVP, call the group's Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

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

Today's adult education opportunities, hosted by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "Presbyterianism and Catholicism" and "Love, Bible Style: Exploring the Song of Songs" at 9:30 a.m.; "Callings: Vocations and the Christian Life" and "The Qur'an" meet at 11:00 a.m. For room locations, see the calendar on page 4 of this insert or the brochures in the literature racks.

A Lenten book study of Henri Nouwen's Lent and Easter Wisdom meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse.

Weekly Monday evening yoga is held at 6:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest. For details, email yoga@fourthchurch.org.

"Sound Sleep Habits" will be the topic of a Center for Whole Health-sponsored presentation this Tuesday, March 23 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

The Community Book Group will gather this Tuesday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room for a discussion, led by Joann Lee, of *Zeitoun* by Dave Eggers.

Three Nia "Splash Out" sessions will be held Saturdays, March 27, April 17, and May 8 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. A twelve-week Nia course begins Wednesday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. For details or to register, visit www. niachicago.com or call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

Books by Women will discuss Second Blooming for Women: Growing a Life That Matters after Fifty by Kathleen Vestal Logan and Betsy Smith on Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Individuals to tie blue bows Thursday,
April 1; shifts are an hour long

Hosts to serve hot cider to guests waiting in line for 9:30 and 11:30 worship on Easter Sunday, April 4

Servers for Easter Brunch; 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (on Easter Sunday, April 4) Entrepreneurs to speak with Tutoring

youth this week on March 22 or 23

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

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 21-27, 2010

Sunday, March 21			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study		Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preach	ing Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	·	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Choir		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	"Presbyterianism and	Catholicism"	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
9:30 a.m.	"Exploring the Song of Songs" Page Smith Ro		Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation		Manse Basement
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preach	ing Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	"Callings: Vocations a	and the Christian Life"	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
11:00 a.m.	"The Qur'an"		Anderson Hall N. Balcony
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		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
12:30 p.m.	Lenten Book Study		Manse
12:30 p.m.	New Member Brunch Dining R		Dining Room
3:10 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary		
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Jocelyn C. Cadwallade	
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
Monday, March 22			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also	Wednesdav–Fridav)	Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Yoga		Crow's Nest
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9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	"Sound Sleep Habits"		Page Smith Room
5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Group Community Book Group		Large Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	The Chicago Ensemble in Concert		Randolph Room
7:30 p.m.	The Chicago Ensembl	le in Concert	Sanctuary
Wednesday, March 24			
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
Thursday, March 25			
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehear	rsal	Sanctuary
2:30 p.m.	Bequest Tea		Randolph Room
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10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	n M M Chanan	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Joh		Sanctuary Catholic Charities
3:30 p.m.	Serving Fourth Friday Supper Catholic Charities Lenten Labyrinth Walk Available Anderson Hall		
6:00 to 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Lenten Taizé	IV 1 M GIIGDIG	Blair Chapel
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Saturday, March 27			
10:00 a.m.	Nia Splash Out		Anderson Hall

Preaching on Palm Sunday, March 28

John Buchanan preaching 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. John W. Vest 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.