

September 18–24, 2011

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

“Get Connected” Sunday is today. All are invited to stop by Coffee Hour to learn about educational, fellowship, and community outreach opportunities that provide ways to get connected and stay connected with one another and Fourth Church.

Those attending the Cubs game this Tuesday are reminded to be seated by 6:30 p.m. in order to see John Buchanan throw out the first pitch. While tickets in the Fourth Church section are sold out, tickets to the game are still available through regular Cubs ticket outlets.

Judy Watt will be installed as Associate Pastor for Congregational Care on Sunday, September 25 during the 11:00 service. A reception in her honor will follow in Anderson Hall.

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. Recommendations will be received through Friday, September 30.

A concert to honor John Buchanan will be held Friday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Fourth Church choirs and Tower Brass will perform.

Save the date! Carnival 2012, the annual Mission Benefit, will be Friday, March 2.

The Book Nook is located in the Loggia during Coffee Hour.

Chestnut Street will be unavailable for drop-offs during the upcoming weeks while the City of Chicago undertakes sewer work in the neighborhood. There will be a single drive lane only, with no parking or standing zones during that period.

A giving kiosk in the Narthex makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church or Chicago Lights or to fulfill pledges.

Stay up-to-date with Fourth Church: “Like” Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults meet today at 12:30 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building for fellowship and discussion.

ThirtiesForties will gather for the Taizé service this Friday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary and will meet for tea following the service.

Cornerstones will meet for “A Fireside Chat” with John Buchanan on Friday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building. Space is limited; to register (required), call the Cornerstones infoline at 312.787.2729.

A special Michigan Avenue Forum at the Newberry Library will celebrate the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible (KJV) with speaker Randall Zachman on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. To register for this free event, call Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

ENRICHMENT

Men's Bible Study will gather on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, call Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

The Christian Century Study Group, which discusses issues presented in the *Christian Century* magazine, meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. beginning September 21. To register (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

"Religion in Interfaith Homes: A Series for Couples and their Families," led by Joyce Shin and David Levinsky, will begin this Thursday, September 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). It will then meet one Sunday a month through May 2012. For details, call Joyce Shin at 312.274.3835.

Barbara Wheeler and Richard Mouw will speak on "Reasons for Hope: A Dialogue on the Christian Future" at a Christian Century event on Thursday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Club. For ticket details and to register (required), contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

Beginning bridge lessons, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, take place on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. For details, call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

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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Weekly Bible Study Opportunities
CLL, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

New Academy for Faith and Life classes will begin next Sunday, September 25 at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). "An Introduction to Howard Thurman," led by Carol Allen, and "The Big Questions: Essentials of Christian Theology," led by Adam Fronczek, will meet at 9:30 a.m. "What's the Least I Can Believe and Still Be a Christian?" led by Matt Helms, will meet at 11:00 a.m. For details or to register, stop by Coffee Hour or pick up a brochure.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class will next meet Sunday, September 25 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

"Race, White Privilege, and Faithful Engagement," a luncheon workshop sponsored by the Multicultural Initiatives and Resources Committee, will take place on Sunday, October 9 at 12:30 p.m. To register, call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 by Wednesday, October 5.

WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m.

A jazz service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. A Bible study and sermon discussion follow the service.

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

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be this Friday, September 23. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html. There will not be a labyrinth walk prior to the service this month, but it will be offered again on October 28.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at Fourth Church

Church members to staff the Book Nook

on a rotating basis during Coffee Hour

Church members to teach Sunday School

or serve as an office assistant at 9:30 or 11:00 a.m.

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and

Monday Night suppers

Urban Farm helpers on Saturdays and in

the office during the week

Church members to usher at the

8:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services

Current Donation Needs

Men's shoes and pants for the Elam

Davies Social Service Center

For details or to volunteer, visit the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Fourth Acts, the Fourth Church theater group, is holding auditions today for *Anne Boleyn* and other works at 12:30 p.m. in the Anderson Hall Balcony.

Organist Graham Davies will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The art exhibition "Bound for Glory" by Timothy Botts is on display in the Loggia now through late November.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday school classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

Fourth Church youth will meet today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building, with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Knox Room and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Multipurpose Space. Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) is on retreat through Sunday afternoon.

The nursery for young children is located in the Page Smith Room and Second-Floor Conference Room.

Single parents interested in forming a group to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting are invited to contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

MISSION AND OUTREACH

A Guatemala mission trip over Christmas break will offer opportunity to help build a home and a school outside of Antigua. For details, call Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 by Monday, September 19.

New volunteers for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program who have not attended an orientation session are asked to do so on Monday, September 26 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. This session will be the last orientation opportunity for new volunteers. For information, contact Meghan Stegemann at 312.981.3560 (mstegemann@fourthchurch.org).

A new hands-on mission group, to do painting, construction, cleaning, and gardening together, is being formed by the Outreach Ministries Committee. To learn more, attend an organizational gathering on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. RSVP to Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 18–24, 2011

Sunday, September 18

7:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Conference Room	
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	“Get Connected” Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	New Member Brunch		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		737 Building
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts Auditions		Anderson Hall Balcony
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Kerri N. Allen preaching	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Bible Study and Sermon Discussion		Sanctuary

Monday, September 19

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer <i>(also Wednesday–Friday)</i>		Stone Chapel
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Tuesday, September 20

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study		<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
5:30 p.m.	Church offices close for the day (for Cub’s game)		
6:30 p.m.	Cub’s Game		<i>(see announcement)</i>

Wednesday, September 21

10:15 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class <i>(also Friday)</i>		737 Building
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Group		<i>(see announcement)</i>

Thursday, September 22

5:00 p.m.	T’ai Chi Class		737 Building
6:00 p.m.	“Religion in Interfaith Homes”		The Clare
7:00 p.m.	“Reasons for Hope”		<i>(see announcement)</i>

Friday, September 23

10:00 a.m.	Beginning Bridge Lesson		737 Building
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Superior Room – 737 Building
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Graham Davies		Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Taizé		Sanctuary

Saturday, September 24

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Young Child Playgroup		Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	Volunteering at the Urban Farm		444 W. Chicago Ave.

Preaching on Sunday, September 25

Joyce Shin preaching	8:00 a.m.
John Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 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.