

February 3–9, 2013

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News and Opportunities

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults meets today for fellowship and discussion at 12:30 p.m. in Room 5A of the Gratz Center.

Fourth Dimension will gather for “Finding Philosophy, Ethics, and Artistry in Clint Eastwood Movies” this Friday, February 8 at 6:00 p.m. To register, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Men’s Group will meet for “Journey of Discovery: Teachings from Treatment,” by John Boyle, this Saturday, February 9 at 8:00 a.m. To RSVP, call 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, February 6.

ThirtiesForties will share a table at the congregational luncheon on Sunday, February 10 in Borwell Dining Room following the Annual Meeting.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Gratz Center.

Today the “**Parenting in Faith**” series will begin with the workshop “What Does Our Family Believe?” at 9:30 a.m. in Room 4G.

The Souper Bowl of Caring, to alleviate hunger, takes place today. Youth are collecting cans of soup and monetary contributions to benefit the food pantry of the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center.

The South Loop Moms’ Group will meet this Thursday, February 7 at 8:00 p.m. at a member’s home to discuss the book *Desperate: Hope for the Mom Who Needs to Breathe*. For details, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

ENRICHMENT

Christian Century discussion and study groups will meet twice a month, beginning this Wednesday, February 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

Friday is the last day to make Carnival reservations!

Stop by Coffee Hour today to reserve your spot at the February 22 gala at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel to support Chicago Lights, the Center for Life and Learning, and the Counseling Center. Drawing tickets for a Vespa are also available there, by contacting Andrea Miller at 312.640.2576 (amiller@fourthchurch.org), and via www.chicagolights.org.



Academy for Faith and Life classes take place today: “The Bible and Religious Violence,” led by Tom Dozeman (Room 5G); “Considering the Conversation: End-of-Life Issues,” led by Judy Watt (Room 5F); and “Shakespeare’s *The Merchant of Venice* as Christian Comedy,” led by Adam Rose (Room 5E), at 9:30 a.m. and “Eastern Orthodox Christianity,” led by Bruce Rigdon (Room 5E), and “Christian Marriage in the Presbyterian Church (USA),” led by Vicky Curtiss (Room 5G), at 11:00 a.m.

“The Voice of Moderate Muslims,” a lecture by Imam Feisal, one of the most influential Muslim voices for moderation, will take place this Wednesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

“Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today,” a film followed by comments by John Boyle, will be shown this Thursday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

A grief support group will meet for six Mondays, beginning February 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. To register, call 312.787.8425.

Books by Women will discuss *Half Broken Horses: A True Life Novel* by Jeannette Walls on Tuesday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bumpus Room of the Gratz Center.

“Valentine’s Day Treats,” a CLL baking demonstration led by Lori Parrett, will be held on Wednesday, February 13 at 2:00 p.m. for adults sixty and more. RSVP to Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org) by this Tuesday, February 5.

“Strength for the Journey: The Labyrinth as a Path to Ourselves” will be the topic of this year’s Midwinter Retreat, led by labyrinth expert Lauren Artress, on Saturday, February 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To register, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

The “Religion in Interfaith Homes” series will continue with the topic “Planning Your Wedding,” led by Richard Jakubik, on Sunday, February 17 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5G.

“Computer Fundamentals,” a CLL minicourse for adults sixty and more, will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning February 19. To register (required), call Julia Bergen at 312.981.3386.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Cuba mission trip participants are spending this week with our sister congregation, First Presbyterian Church of Havana. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Nelson Davila, an elder and member of First Presbyterian Church of Havana in Cuba, will speak about life in Cuba and the Presbyterian church’s witness there when he joins us on Monday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Applications for mission trips to Mexico (May 4–11) and Urban Plunge: Regeneration Chicago (May 17–19) are due on Monday, April 1. Details are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/mission/trips.html.

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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NEWS AND RESOURCES

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held next Sunday, February 10 following the 11:00 service. In addition to voting for new officers and hearing a report about the ongoing work of the Pastor Nominating Committee, the congregation will also vote on a recommendation from the Session and Trustees to sell the church property on Chicago Avenue.

Today opportunity to ask questions of church leaders about the proposed sale of the church property on Chicago Avenue will take place in the Randolph Room during 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour.

A congregational lunch will follow the February 10 Annual Meeting. Tickets are available at Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

The Pastor Nominating Committee is in a several-month quiet phase as they review and research possible candidates for the position of Pastor. For details about the PNC process, see www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.

WORSHIP

A labyrinth walk will be held this Wednesday, February 6 between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. in Buchanan Chapel.

Ash Wednesday services will be held next Wednesday, February 13 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary, with Communion and opportunity for imposition of ashes at both services.

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 requests in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in the Sanctuary 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 in Buchanan Chapel. The next service will be Friday, February 22.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Data entry person for the Urban Farm **Members** to teach Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. for a mixed-age class

A shopping aide to assist guests in the EDSSC food pantry on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday nights

Dishwashers for Sunday Night Supper, 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Energetic individuals to share hobbies and activities with Chicago Lights Tutoring students, one evening a week, through March 7

Current Donation Needs

Gently used clothes for a chronically ill ten-year-old girl

Items for a new baby

Double paper/plastic bags with handles from Treasure Island

Men's winter clothes (pants, coats, sweaters, socks, etc.)

For details or to volunteer, call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Construction photographs of the Gratz Center are on exhibit in the Loggia.

Organist Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 3–9, 2013

Sunday, February 3

7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Nursery	Gratz Center, First Floor
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel Choir Loft
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Allan Boesak preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
9:30 a.m.	“Parenting in Faith”	Room 4G
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Third Floor Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Buchanan Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Chicago Avenue Property Questions	Randolph Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Allan Boesak preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Gratz Center, Fifth Floor
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir Rehearsal	Third Floor Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Gratz Center, Fourth Floor
12:15 p.m.	Chicago Avenue Property Questions	Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall / Commons
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Room 5A
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Edwin Estevez preaching	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Borwell Dining Room

Monday, February 4

9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Day School (<i>also Tuesday–Friday</i>)	Gratz Center, First Floor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (<i>also Wednesday–Friday</i>)	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (<i>also Tuesday–Thursday</i>)	Gratz Center

Tuesday, February 5

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
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Wednesday, February 6

12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk	Buchanan Chapel
6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Group	Randolph Room
7:00 p.m.	“The Voice of Moderate Muslims”	Buchanan Chapel

Thursday, February 7

7:00 p.m.	“Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today”	Buchanan Chapel
8:00 p.m.	South Loop Moms’ Group	(<i>see announcement</i>)

Friday, February 8

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Thomas E. Gouwens	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Anderson Hall

Saturday, February 9

8:00 a.m.	Men’s Group	Borwell Dining Room
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Worship on Sunday, February 10

8:00 a.m.	Judith L. Watt preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Adam H. Fronczek preaching
4:00 p.m.	Adam H. Fronczek preaching

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8. 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 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.