

News and Opportunities

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Ash Wednesday services will be held this Wednesday, February 17 at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m., with Communion and the opportunity for imposition of ashes as part of both services.

Daily Lenten devotions written by Fourth Church members and staff will be available beginning Wednesday, February 17 in the church literature racks, by email (simply send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org), and at www.fourthchurch.org.

"Telling Our Faith Stories," this year's Lenten Retreat, will be held at Fourth Church February 26–27. Lillian Daniel, Senior Minister at First Congregational Church in Glen Ellyn, will lead the retreat. For details or to register, pick up a brochure in the literature racks or contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, February 24. Following the retreat on Saturday, February 27, a Lenten labyrinth walk will be available from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

A Lenten Book Study, hosted by the ThirtiesForties fellowship group, will begin Sunday, February 28 and will focus on Henri Nouwen's Lent and Easter Wisdom. All are invited to take part in this study, which will be held Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Reservations for the March 5 Mission Benefit, Carnaval, can be made today during Coffee Hour. Drawing tickets for the "Technology Treasures" package are also available as are details about the online auction. For more information about this annual event supporting the programs of Chicago Lights and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, visit www.chicagolights.org.

Information about House Bill 174 and a letter urging state legislators to pass a just and moral budget are available at the Mission table.

Those interested in participating in a Fourth Church mission trip in 2010 are encouraged to consider the following opportunities: Urban Regeneration: Chicago (April 23–24), Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations (June 2–26), or Honduras (July 30–August 9). Details, including upcoming application deadlines, can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch. org/missiontrips.html.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

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 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon: Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse-basement and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets in the Crow's Nest. Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) is visiting the Muslim Education Center in Morton Grove today.

Thanks to all Souper Bowl of Caring participants, last Sunday Fourth Church youth collected \$3,365.14 and 407 cans of food and dried goods for the Elam Davies Social Service Center.

Musician Jim Gill will return for the annual Day School Benefit this Saturday, February 20. A time for fellowship will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster House; Jim will perform from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 (mscanlan@fourthchurch.org).

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

"Biblical Entrepreneurs, Tongue-in-Cheek" will be performed by Fourth Acts today at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Room as part of their "At a Glance" series. All are invited to come and enjoy comedy, coffee, and treats.

Photographic prints featuring the 2002 Stars and Doves sanctuary installation are available today during Coffee Hour.

"Fourth Church Artists Shine Their Light in the City" is on exhibition in the Loggia and Gallery. **Cellist Luis Leguia** will be the featured artist at the Friday, February 19 free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Newberry Consort, an early music ensemble, will be in concert on Friday, February 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www. newberry.org or by calling 312.255.3610.

The Swedish Radio Choir will perform at Fourth Church on Tuesday, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. For tickets, call 312.294.3000 or visit www.cso.org.

The Chicago Ensemble will be in concert at Fourth Church on Tuesday, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. For tickets, visit www.chicagoensemble. org or call 773.889.4206.

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. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel.

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 February 26.

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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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.

"The Exodus as a Rite of Passage," led by Tom Dozeman, meets today at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony.

Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, February 16 at 7:30 a.m. For details, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

"Food, Mood, and Balance: The Impact of Food and Lifestyle Choices on Well-being" will be the topic of the Midwinter Conference hosted by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Saturday, February 20 at Fourth Church. For information or to register, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

The Community Book Group will meet Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room for discussion, led by Donna Gray, on *The Thirteen American* Arguments by Howard Fineman.

New Academy for Faith and Life adult education classes will begin Sunday, February 28: at 9:30 a.m., "Presbyterianism and Catholicism" will be led by Fred Holper and "Love, Bible Style: Exploring the Song of Songs" will be led by John Vest; at 11:00 a.m., "Callings: Vocations and the Christian Life" will be led by Adam Fronczek and "The Qur'an" will be led by Omer Mozaffar. For course details, stop by the Academy table during Coffee Hour or visit www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

Books by Women will discuss *Read My Pins: Stories from a Diplomat's Jewelbox* by Madeleine Albright on Tuesday, March 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. All are welcome.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The 140th Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held next Sunday, February 21 following 11:00 worship. All members are encouraged to attend; child care will be provided during the meeting. Afterwards, all are invited to an intergenerational congregational lunch in Anderson Hall. There will be a kids' buffet and music by the Senior High Choir. Tickets for this meal are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

"Three stories. Three faiths. One God" will be the topic of discussion by Eboo Patel, Christine Chakoian, and Sherre Hirsch on *30 Good Minutes* on WTTW on February 14, 21, and 28 at 5:00 p.m.

A workshop on charitable giving through estate planning will be held on Sunday February 28 at 12:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony. RSVP to Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381 (wcarter@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, February 22.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Buffet servers, food runners, setup and takedown crew, and hosts for next Sunday's Congregational Luncheon
Volunteers to sort and pack food at the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Saturday, May 1, 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Greeting cards and stamps for Sunday and Monday Night Supper guests Furniture for a person living with HIV/ AIDS moving into an assisted living shelter; a list is at the Volunteer table Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill; a list of

items is at the Volunteer table

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

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 14-20, 2010

Sunday, February 14		
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 Rehearsal	Dining Room
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 Adam Fronczek preachi	ng Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Senior Highs	(see announcement)
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preachi	ng Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	"The Exodus as a Rite of Passage" And	erson Hall South Balcony
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir	Dining Room
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.	Fourth Acts "At a Glance"	Activity Room
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
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Monday, February 15		
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
Tuesday, February 16		
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	(see announcement)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
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Wednesday, February 17	Ash Wednesday	I Cf D
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
12:10 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Christian Century groups	Manse
7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
Friday, February 19		
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Luis Leguia	Sanctuary
8:00 p.m.	Newberry Consort in Concert	Sanctuary
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Saturday, February 20		,
8:30 a.m.	Midwinter Retreat: "Food, Mood, and Balance"	
9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Day School Benefit	Westminster House

Preaching on Sunday, February 21

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