

# News and Opportunities

# A Special Welcome to Visitors Worshiping with Us Today

We are grateful you have joined us for this Easter celebration!
We invite you to return to worship with us again and also to explore the many opportunities for education, fellowship, volunteering, and outreach available at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

This "News and Opportunities" insert lists a variety of the programs and activities at Fourth Church, all of which welcome newcomers. More information about these programs can be found in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

### **NEWS AND RESOURCES**

**Easter Brunch** will be held today at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. A limited number of tickets are still available at the reception desk and at the door.

For every Fourth Church member or friend enjoying Easter brunch at Spiaggia (980 N. Michigan) today, the restaurant will donate ten meals to the Social Service Center's Sunday Night Supper. Fourth Church and Chicago Lights would like to thank Weber Grill, Eve, Spiaggia, and Levy Restaurants for their ongoing support of community meals, Sunday and Monday Night Supper, and Tutoring.

Enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes prepared and served by the Senior Highs at their breakfast fund-raiser on Sunday, April 25. Proceeds from this meal will support the youth's summer work camp trip to Cary, Mississippi. Breakfast will be served between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Omelets, made to order by John Vest, will also be available for an additional donation. Tickets will be available April 11 and 18 in Coffee Hour and at the door on April 25.

Fourth Church will observe Earth Sunday on April 25. Information about environmental stewardship will be available during Coffee Hour that day and a panel presentation on conserving and preserving water resources will take place following 11:00 worship.

#### WORSHIP

Today's 4:00 p.m. service will include communion as well as music by the Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble. Next Sunday's 4:00 worship service will be led by participants in the Egypt study trip.

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 12:45 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.

Morning Prayer will be held Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:30 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

**Eighth grade confirmation** will take place next Sunday, April 11 during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

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

# CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School and youth programming** resume next Sunday at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The April 18 "Kids Helping Kids" Benefit will create toiletry kits for children at Presbyterian Camps. Tickets, which will be available during Coffee Hour next week, will raise funds for a camping scholarship or equipment for campers.

Giggles for God!—a weekly sing-along for parents and their babies, toddlers, or preschoolers—begins Sunday, April 18. This opportunity will be available for six weeks at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. on Sundays in Westminster House.

Fellowship groups for mothers with children age 0–4 meet at member homes. For details, contact Liz Nickerson at enickerson@fourthchurch.org.

## **FELLOWSHIP**

Fourth Dimension, a gathering of individual adults age forty-seven and over, will meet Friday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a presentation on "The Future of News." To preregister (required), call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

Susan Buchanan, Professor of Occupational and Health Sciences at the School of Public Health, will speak on "Stories from the Front in Medicine" at the Saturday, April 10 Men's Group gathering. To make reservations for this 8:00 a.m. breakfast, to be held in the Dining Room, call the church office at 312.787.4570 by Friday noon, April 9.

ThirtiesForties will host an informal gathering on Sunday, April 11 at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Newcomers are encouraged to attend.

The Cycling Club will gather for a spring social ride on Saturday, April 17. The ride will end at Fourth Church with a potluck lunch. For details or to RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Friday, April 15 at 12:00 noon.

### **ENRICHMENT**

**Adult education classes**, sponsored by the Academy for Faith and Life, begin Sunday, April 18:

- "The Minor Prophets in Conversation" will be led by Tom Rook at 9:30 a.m.
- "The Apologies of Socrates and Gospels of Jesus" will be taught by Adam Rose at 9:30 a.m.
- "John Calvin's Institutes of Christian Religion" will be taught by Randall Zachman at 11:00 a.m.
- "Fine Arts and Faith" will be taught by Calum MacLeod, Sue Pellowe, and John Sherer at 11:00 a.m.

## Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

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

*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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Men's Bible Study meets Tuesday, April 6 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, call Jilnar Mansour at 312.573.3364.

Books by Women will discuss Second Blooming for Women: Growing a Life that Matters after Fifty on Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Coauthor Kathleen Logan will join in the conversation.

The next Triumph over Cancer gathering, for those living with cancer, will be held this Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. To RSVP, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

A twelve-week Nia exercise course begins Wednesday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. To register, visit www.niachicago.com or call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

**The Community Book Group** will discuss *Bringing It to the Table: On Farming and Food* by Wendell Berry at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27 in the Randolph Room.

## **ANNUAL APPEAL**

We are deeply grateful to all who have responded to the 2010 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. We have received 1,130 pledges and \$3.6 million in commitments for 2010 from faithful members and friends—an increase of nearly 60 households and \$200,000 compared to April 2009. Those who have not yet completed a 2010 Giving Response Card are invited to do so to help Fourth Church meet the need for the more than \$3.7 million in pledged gifts required for the 2010 budget.

### **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

Current Volunteer Needs
Substitute tutors for the Tutoring
Program; Monday—Thursday evenings
Reading and math tutors for children at
two Cabrini-Green elementary schools

#### Current Donation Needs

Men's seasonal sturdy clothes in larger sizes (pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

Shaving cream, toothpaste, men's and women's underwear (sizes L-XL) for

guests of the Social Service Center Greeting cards and stamps for Sunday and Monday Night Supper guests

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

### MISSION AND OUTREACH

Mission trip applications for the Lakota Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations trip (June 21–26 trip) are due Tuesday, April 6. Applications are available in the booklets in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html.

Blue bows on the Michigan Avenue trees mark Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month and represent the many children who are victims of abuse. "More Hope Than You Imagined: Healing from Child Sexual Abuse" will be held Sunday, April 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. To RSVP for this luncheon program, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Friday, April 16.

Links for Lights: The Chicago Lights Golf Classic will be held Monday, June 28 at the Lost Dunes Golf Club in Bridgman, Michigan. For information about this event benefiting the Chicago Avenue Urban Farm, contact Rob Holben at 312.274.3821 (rholben@fourthchurch.org).

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Violinist Crystal Qi** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Those interested in singing in the choirs during 8:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. worship are asked to contact John Sherer at 312.981.3592 (jsherer@fourthchurch.org).

## CALENDAR FOR APRIL 4-10, 2010

Sunday, April 4 6:30 a.m. 7:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Easter Sunday Easter Sunrise Nursery Easter Worship Easter Worship Children's Easter Sel Intercessory Prayer	Calum I. MacLeod preachi John Buchanan preaching John Buchanan preaching rvice	ng Oak Street Beach Westminster 14 Sanctuary Sanctuary Westminster House Stone Chapel
11:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m. 12:45 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Easter Worship Intercessory Prayer Church Tour Easter Brunch	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary Stone Chapel Sanctuary Dining Room
<b>4:00 p.m.</b> 5:00 p.m.	Easter Worship Sunday Night Suppe	Adam Fronczek preaching r	Sanctuary Anderson Hall
Monday, April 5	Easter Monday: Church Office closed		
Tuesday, April 6			
7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study		(see announcement)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Manse
6:00 p.m.	Triumph over Cancer	ſ	Randolph Room
Wednesday, April 7			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild		Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	Nia		Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Christian Century Study Groups		Manse
Thursday, April 8			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Board Games Night		Manse
Friday, April 9			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Nia		Anderson Ĥall
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Friday Noonday Concert: Crystal Qi		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension: "The Future of News" Anderson Hall		
Saturday, April 10			
8:00 a.m.	Men's Group: "Storie	es from the Front in Medicine	e" Dining Room

## Preaching on Sunday, April 11

Joann H. Lee preaching 8:00 a.m. John W. Vest preaching 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Led by Egypt Travelers 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.