

# Faith CONNECTIONS

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## 2009 PEACEMAKING OFFERING

*Justice and peace shall  
kiss each other.* Psalm 85:10b

Peace is the wholeness and well-being that God wills for all creation. God is continually at work in the world offering healing, wholeness, mercy, justice and peace. God's peace is offered wherever there is brokenness - in individual lives, families, congregations, communities, nations and creation.

The Session of First Church signed the Commitment to Peacemaking on July 18, 1988 and have been striving to live that commitment in the 21 years since. As Presbyterians, we are called to join others and go into the world to build a culture of peace and nonviolence for all God's creation. Currently our ministry to and with to Neal School is an example of that commitment.



The Peacemaking Offering will be collected on October 4.

25% of your generous gift will be used in First Church's peacemaking efforts. Thank you!

## 150<sup>TH</sup> GUEST PREACHER DR. CYNTHIA CAMPBELL

On October 4, 2009, Dr. Cynthia M. Campbell, the ninth president of McCormick Theological Seminary will be guest preacher at First Church as part of the year's Sesquicentennial celebration. Her visit is emblematic of a long and close history between McCormick and our church.



Our church's charter members dreamed of founding a seminary along with the other Lake Forest academic institutions, the College and the Academy but it was the energy and funding of Cyrus H. McCormick that made it a reality. The Rev. James G. K. McClure, our church's revered pastor (1881 to 1905) left this pulpit to serve as president of the seminary.

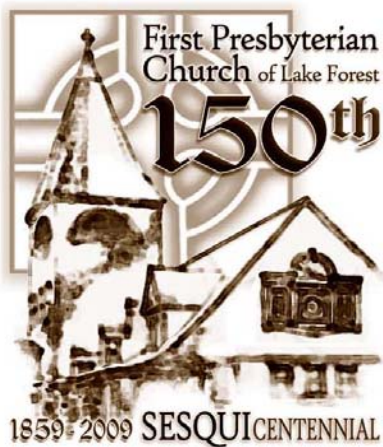


Many of our recent pastors and associates including Reverend Corey Nelson and Reverend Amy Pagliarella are graduates of McCormick. Several of our members have received degrees including: Kathleen Flynn-Barnett, Donna Birney, and current students Joy Guscott-Mueller and Doug Valassis.

Leadership roles on the McCormick Board also draw heavily from the time and talent of First Church members including current Board President, John Anderson and board members, Bob Karlblom, Addie Morrison, Myrna Kline, Reverend Christine Chakoian and Margaret Hart.

A native of Pasadena, California, Cynthia was ordained by the Presbytery of San Gabriel on June 30, 1974. In 1981, she became associate professor of theology and ministry and director of the doctor of ministry program at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. In 1988, she became pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Salina, Kansas, one of the first large congregations in the denomination to call a woman as head of staff.

She is author of *A Multitude of Blessings: A Christian Approach to Religious Diversity* (Westminster John Knox, 2007) and many other articles.



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Dear Friends,

First I thought our Charter Day ceremony in July couldn't be topped, it was so inspiring and festive. Then Rally Day came, with the bagpipe and procession, and we were sent "over the moon." (Beyond everything else marvelous about the morning, the crowd of motorcyclists stopped at the corner cheering us on was an event in itself. I especially liked it when one cyclist crossed himself as we went marching by.)

Then the Sesquicentennial Dinner took place and our hearts were warmed again. It was far more than the beautiful tables and delicious dinner at the Deerpath Inn that made it special. The historical (and often humorous) reminiscences of Herbert Anderson, Tim Christie, Margaret Hart, Kent Chandler and Frank Farwell (in absentia) brought the past to life again. And then there were the hymns, led by Tom Tropp and accompanied by Jill Hunt.

It is impossible to put into words what the hymn-sing did for us. Woven throughout the evening, the whole event became a worshipful experience. Introduced with a bit of history from Tom Tropp, the hymns tied our deep past with our present faith. Chosen from long ago camp songs and enduring favorites, the heartfelt faith of our childhood came to life again with gusto and heartfelt fervor.

Sunday morning, Herb Anderson carried forth with the same vigor he's always brought, in spite of being only six weeks out of open heart surgery. It was marvelous for all of us to hear him - and it was especially heartwarming to see so many members of long ago come home. I hope that they felt so at home that they will return, and if you know them, I hope you will encourage them.

The Sesquicentennial is not over yet. On October 4 we welcome guest preacher Dr. Cynthia Campbell, president of McCormick Theological Seminary, and there are more guest preachers still to come. An afternoon concert on Reformation Sunday will be a high point on October 25. The months ahead will bring a steady stream of occasional events to continue our celebration.

But if nothing else happened, I would be satisfied.  
 The Spirit is stirring among us, and I am moved and grateful.

Every blessing,

*Christine Chakoian*

**Sunday Worship**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
**9:00 & 11:00AM Worship**  
*Guest preacher*  
*Reverend Dr. Cynthia Campbell*  
*Communion*  
*Peacemaking offering received*

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**first @ five**  
*Informal, creative worship*  
*with upbeat acoustic music*  
*@ 5:00 in the sanctuary with*  
*fellowship & dinner @ 6:00*

*Reverend Corey Nelson*  
*Owen Marks piano*

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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
**9:00 & 11:00AM Worship**  
*Reverend Christine Chakoian*  
*Baptism*

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**first @ five**  
*@ 5:00 in the sanctuary with*  
*fellowship & dinner @ 6:00*  
*Reverend Corey Nelson*

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Submission due dates are the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month.

Please send submissions to **kwolff@firstchurchlf.org** faxed to (847) 234-6283 or dropped off at the church office.

**CHURCH OFFICE** 847-234-6250  
**HOURS: Mon-Fri 9:00-5:00<sup>PM</sup>**



Sunday October 18 at 1:00<sup>PM</sup> the Middle School and High School Youth along with their families have an opportunity to put their passion for service into motion! We will be participating in the Northern Lake County Crop Walk in Waukegan. Please contact Kristie Finley at [kfinley@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:kfinley@firstchurchlf.org) to join our team or to be a sponsor!

CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Hunger Walks help children and families worldwide -- and right here in the U.S. -- to have food for today, while building for a better tomorrow. Each year some two million CROP Walkers, volunteers, and sponsors put their hearts and soles in motion, raising over \$16 million per year to help end hunger and poverty around the world -- and in their own communities. And you are part of it! Enjoy fellowship along with soup & bread after the walk!

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## Save the Date!

### All Time Work Trip Reunion Party!

In honor of the 150th Anniversary the Youth committee is organizing a reunion for anyone, student or adult, who ever participated in a First Church Work Trip. The date is Saturday **December 26** at the Lake Forest Club. More details to come. Look for our group on Facebook. If you have any questions please contact Kristie Finley at [kfinley@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:kfinley@firstchurchlf.org).

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## MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY! Support a Homeless Shelter in Waukegan by Becoming a PADS Volunteer



PADS (Providing Advocacy, Dignity, and Shelter) is one of First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest's most significant Lake County ministries. On the **2nd and 5th Tuesdays of each month** from October through May, we provide food for dinner, breakfast and bag lunches. We serve the dinner and breakfast meals, and we provide and an overnight presence at a PADS shelter in a Waukegan church. You can be a part of this important and rewarding ministry on one or many of our service dates either by preparing or providing food for the dinner meal or by volunteering to work at one of the three shifts onsite. Our guests are truly thankful for our support and we believe you will be richly blessed by your involvement. **Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway.**

For more information or to be added to our email list of volunteer contact:

Sue Dye  
Food Donation Volunteers  
[suecondye@comcast.net](mailto:suecondye@comcast.net)

Bill Vernon  
Onsite Volunteers  
[wmvernon@think2print.net](mailto:wmvernon@think2print.net)

## First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest STEPHEN MINISTRY Continuing Education Program Saturday, October 10

10:00<sup>AM</sup>: Coffee & Fellowship  
10:30-11:30<sup>AM</sup>: Presentation

### "Sustaining & Nurturing the Connection in Ordinary Time"

Guest Speaker:  
Kathleen Flynn-Barnett, M.Div.

We often feel so connected to the Holy when we are in a crisis, or when we shore up another in a crisis. Why does that "connection" seem more elusive in ordinary time? How can we nurture that connection in our everyday living?

This program is open to the public.

RSVP: email [v.janson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:v.janson@sbcglobal.net) or call Vandy at (847) 234-1922

## Swine Flu Addressed

*A concern about shaking hands during worship has been raised. Your Worship Committee recently addressed this concern. Local pediatrician, Dr. Diane Fondriest is moderator of the Worship Committee. She has the most up-to-date information and recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding containment of infection. The CDC is not recommending any changes at this time.*

*Bottles of hand sanitizers are available in the classrooms around the building and in the public areas for your safety and convenience. When or if the CDC recommends other measures, Dr. Fondriest will bring them to our immediate attention and action will be taken.*

PRESBYTERIAN **WOMEN**  
**MEET FOR THE RETREAT**

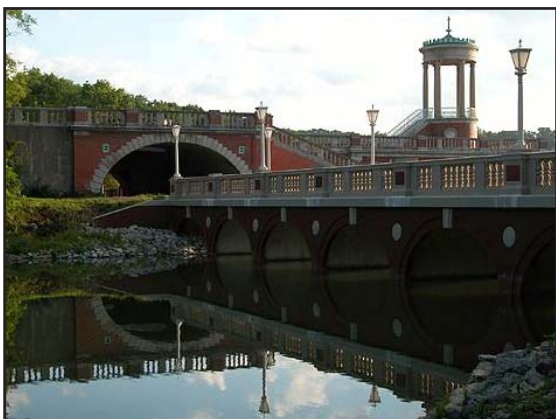
**Saturday, October 17, 2009**

from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM

at **University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein**

Reverend Christine Chakoian will be speaking on

**WOMEN MOVERS AND SHAKERS IN THE CHURCH**



Continental breakfast  
& lunch will be served.

Please call Kerry  
(847) 234-6250  
for **reservations by  
Sunday, October 11**

The cost of the retreat  
is \$10.00.

If you have any questions,  
call Jane Jensen  
(847) 367-7209.



**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION  
GATHERINGS RETURN**

It's not easy being a faithful family in this super-busy culture. We offer monthly conversations with other parents to offer support, ideas, and to create a space for sharing with each other. On Sunday, **October 25**, at 10:00AM in the South Parlor pastor and noted professor of Christian education Dr. Elizabeth Caldwell joins us to kick off the year with a presentation and open discussion around raising children to know and love God and neighbor.

Chris Vogel, our beloved former pastor who now works with "Lib" at McCormick Theological Seminary says, *"Lib Caldwell believes that children should be seen and heard in church -- welcomed with hospitality and made to feel that they are important members of an intergenerational family of faith. A gifted teacher and a caring pastoral presence, Lib is attuned to the diverse ways in which we learn; students at McCormick who take one of her classes invariably register for more. They are transformed by her creative pedagogy as she gently and persistently challenges her students with new ideas, and new models of teaching and learning."*

Copies of Lib's book, *Making a Home for Faith - Nurturing the Spiritual Life of Your Children* are available for \$10 on Sunday mornings. **We will meet again on November 22** to discuss the book, and we encourage you to read it before Lib's presentation.

All are welcome; child care is provided. RSVP to [sseccombe@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:sseccombe@firstchurchlf.org) and note the ages of your children; we will base their activities on the ages of those children registered. We can also escort pre-registered children directly from the Sunday School classroom to the child care location. Contact Kristie Finley or Amy Pagliarella for more information.



**CALVIN'S CORNER**  
**Conversion**

While studying in Paris, Calvin was undoubtedly exposed to the thinking of the German-speaking reformers, but initially was not sure that he agreed with their ideas. Subsequently he developed relationships with a group of reform-minded individuals ("evangelists"), including Marguerite of Navarre, the King's sister. Some of these, like Calvin, would go on to separate from the Church but others remained, preferring reform from within.

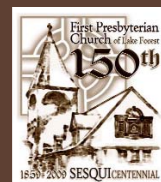
It was sometime during 1532 - 1533, while at the College Royal, that "God, by the secret guidance of his providence, at length gave a different direction to my course. And first, since I was too obstinately devoted to the superstitions" of the Church, "God, by a sudden conversion subdued and brought my mind to a teachable frame . . ." His conversion was not from "unbeliever" to "believer," but rather from "traditional doctrine" to a "purer doctrine." His description of his conversion was made much later in life, well removed from the event, and the term he used, "subita." which is usually translated as "suddenly," is perhaps more correctly translated in this case as "unexpected". His father had wanted him to be a lawyer but God had called him, unexpectedly in his view, to seek a different way and, as he later put it, "one Father had won out over the other."

**TIDBITS FROM  
ARCHIVES**

From Session Record  
November 7, 1898:  
Upon motion Elder

Anderson was authorized to  
rent Blacklers Hall on Sunday  
afternoons for the West Side  
Sunday School at the expense not  
exceeding \$2.25 per Sunday.

Elders Anderson and Haven were  
authorized to arrange for the music  
of the West Side Sunday School.



# FALL RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE SUNDAY, October 11, 2009

Every day 38,000 blood donations are needed to help cancer patients, accident victims and children with blood disorders. The American Red Cross aims to bring in 3 million blood donations nationwide this year.

**We need your support to get there.** Sunday, October 11, 2009 is designated Fall Blood Drive Day. The Red Cross will be conveniently administering the Drive in Fellowship Hall. Appointments are being scheduled between 7:30 AM and 1:00 PM at 15-minute intervals. Please encourage friends and family members to join in our effort. Please remember your photo identification.

To reserve your sitting time, please call Paul Bergmann at (847) 295 7957: paul.bergmann@comcast.net.

## MEMBERSHIP CLASSES IN OCTOBER

To be a member of First Presbyterian one must confess the Christian faith, trust in Christ as savior, and promise to follow Christ and his example for living.....to be a committed disciple. A disciple shows this commitment by being an active participant in the life of the congregation, giving generously from the spiritual gifts God has given each of us.

Everyone considering membership is invited to participate in new member classes on Sundays, October 4 and 18 (from 10:00 to noon) and October 25 (from 9:00 to noon). These classes are taught by Reverends Chakoian, Nelson and Pagliarella and are hosted by the Membership Committee.

If you would like more information, contact Beth Gillies in the church office at egillies@firstchurchlf.org or (847) 234-6250.

## Brass and Organ Concert

Sunday, October 25, 3:00 p.m.

### OUR SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION CONTINUES!

On Sunday, October 25, Jill Hunt, our Director of Music/Organist, will be joined by the Millar Brass Ensemble for a concert in our sanctuary.



Associated with the Millar Chapel at Northwestern University, the **Millar Brass Ensemble**

is one of the leading brass ensembles in the Midwest. It will be an honor to have them participate in this concert.

The concert will feature two compositions for brass and organ by Marcel Dupré and Charles-Marie Widor, a group of organ solo pieces composed during the 1860's, and music played by the brass ensemble alone.

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for this exciting event!



# COMMITMENT

## TOWN HALL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION Thursday, October 15 7:00 PM in South Parlor

The Stewardship Committee invites all members and friends of the congregation to a Town Hall meeting to learn more about the church's key accomplishments in 2009 and the priorities for the coming year.

The committee will review facts about the church's funds and how these gifts are used to support the life and vital ministry of this congregation. Refreshments will be served, and members of the Finance committee will be available for questions.

Rsvp to Beth Gillies, at (847) 234-6250 x23 or egillies@firstchurchlf.org.

### Not able to join us on October 15?

Join us for an online presentation... from anywhere in the USA!

Free webinars are planned which will allow you to participate in the same presentation as the Town Hall meeting from a remote location using your own computer. The webinars are scheduled for: Tues, Oct. 20, Wed, Oct. 21, & Thurs, Oct 22 from 8:30pm-9:15PM CST.

If you wish to participate in one of these webinar Town Halls, please contact Lynnette Hinch at Lhinch@firstchurchlf.org with your email address and indicate which date you'd like to enroll.

You will be contacted via email with the necessary details.

## Fall Rummage Sale

October 24, 2009

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SPONSORED BY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Liz Bradner, Chairwoman in charge of Operations, extends a warm welcome to the congregation to attend the sale. The proceeds of this sale are earmarked for support of mission partners who serve women and children. **Featured items include:** winter sports equipment, outerwear and clothing for men, women and children, furniture, rugs, holiday, home décor including lamps, appliances, art & music, linens and large toys and new items which make great holiday gifts! The rummage sale is one of our oldest mission support activities and through the years has been a fun way to meet new people in an atmosphere of Christian love. **IF you can help with set up or on sale day, contact Dawn Neal at dneal60@prodigy.net or (847) 234-7632.**

## First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest and Neal Math & Science Academy



# Neal News - Fall 2009

THIS LATEST EDITION OF NEAL NEWS WILL LET YOU KNOW WHAT WE HAVE DONE AND WHAT WE ARE PLANNING TO DO IN OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NEAL MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY. BUT, IT IS REALLY MORE THAN THAT. THIS IS AN APPEAL TO THE CONGREGATION TO GET & STAY INVOLVED IN THIS MINISTRY WITH OUR NEIGHBORS IN NORTH CHICAGO. THE NEED IS OVERWHELMING BUT WHAT WE ARE DOING, HELPING TO DELIVER A QUALITY EDUCATION, IS WORKING! **THE OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED AND SHARE IN THIS VITAL MISSION WORK ARE NUMEROUS.** THE END OF THIS UPDATE LISTS THE VARIOUS WAYS THAT YOU CAN PARTICIPATE, FROM COOKING MEALS TO PAINTING, FROM OCCASIONAL TUTORING TO LEADING AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS AND MUCH MORE. I HOPE YOU WILL PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER JOINING THE OVER 200 CHURCH MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY SHARED IN THE JOY.

In 2008 our Church Session approved a Mission Committee request that a Partnership with the Neal Math & Science Academy in North Chicago be a strategic focus for the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest. Our congregation's commitment to education has been part of our DNA for 150 years. The Neal Math & Science Academy, a Junior High School for some 600 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders, is just 6 miles from our church doors but it is a world away relative to educational opportunities, enrichment, and facilities.

We spent last year developing a relationship with the teachers and staff to let them know we were serious about making a long term commitment... and let me tell you, we were serious! With over a 1000 volunteer hours and more than 200 individual church members, from young to old, we proved to skeptical neighbors that we were committed.

We took on a huge painting and repair project in their cafeteria. Through private and church funds they received microscopes, a science magazine subscription and calculators. We provided Christmas gift cards to the staff and teachers along with special treats during Teacher Appreciation Week. Their greenhouse came alive with the help of church volunteers. There were donations of microwaves, school supplies, books, furniture, and rummage shirts to be used as art smocks. What a wonderful opportunity we have to be good neighbors.

But, the one activity that captured the hearts of the teachers and staff began with their stomachs! The monthly Teachers Appreciation Lunch helped create an atmosphere of "community" for the teachers in a school where there was none. At the first meal where they didn't know us, let alone each other,

they were reserved. At the last meal hugs, thank yous, goodbyes, & e-mails were exchanged amidst pleading that we come back the next school year. The cookbook of all the recipes was a huge hit!

The 2009-2010 school year promises to be a fantastic year for the Neal students after a very disruptive change in the school's leadership last year. The new Principal, Mike Grenda, will demand and command the basics of a good education with the required discipline and respect between teachers and students. When Mike started his new position he had heard about the work that First Church had done the previous year. When one of the long-time teachers told him, *"The lunches from the First Presbyterian Church kept this school together!"* he was sold.

He has embraced the idea of the church /school partnership and is excited to have us partner with them in their mission of providing a quality education. Before the school year started we led another huge project to clean and paint their kitchen. The results were outstanding and Mike could hardly contain his enthusiasm and appreciation for what we had done and what it meant to him to have such help so readily and joyfully provided!

The church followed that up with a gift of school bags and supplies for every student on the first day of classes. We hosted a Hospitality Table at Neal's first Open House on Wednesday, September 23.

This was our first direct exposure to the parents of Neal students. Last year we focused on gaining the trust of the teachers and staff. This year we want the parents to know that we are here to help...through after-school enrichment programs and tutoring, as well as continuing to keep the teachers happy with monthly lunches!

The next phase of our Partnership is proceeding full steam ahead! The North Chicago Community Partners, established by the Gorter Family Foundation to ensure efficient distribution of resources to the schools and broader community and to facilitate relationships with potential partners, has put in place the following infrastructure:

- A full time Resource Coordinator has been hired for Neal to facilitate planning and organizing events and programs
- An agreement has been reached with the Boys and Girls Club of Lake County (BGCLC) to conduct after school programs at Neal
- A full time Neal Site Administrator for after school programs has been hired
- Two Program Assistants for the Neal Site Administrator have been hired
- Dedicated space has been made available by the school to manage and run the programs.

The investment in the human resources to help Neal Math & Science Academy achieve their mission is a huge step forward for all involved. What is needed now is volunteers from First Presbyterian Church to keep the momentum going!

Please review the list of areas where help is needed and please sign up in the church office or e-mail

Jim Mayhall - jmay243@gmail.com

Donna Johnson - dwj888@aol.com

or Corey Nelson - cnelson@firstchurchlf.org

## Neal Math & Science Academy Volunteer Opportunities 2009 - 2010

### Teacher Appreciation Lunches

We need to prepare, deliver, serve and clean up full meals for 60 people. If you are willing to do one, some or all of these please e-mail

Donna Johnson - dwj888@aol.com

Dorothy Chantler - adchantler@comcast.net

or Cindy Johnson - bcpaj5@aol.com

You do not need to commit to help every month, We will contact you before each luncheon date to see what you would like to do. The food will be picked up at the church kitchen at 10:00a.m.

The lunches are all scheduled for Tuesdays on the following dates: September 29, October 27, November 17, December 15, January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27 & May 25

Please let us know when you can help and what you would like to do!



## Boys & Girls Club of Lake County After School Programs 3:15 - 5:00 PM

**General Homework Support and One on One Tutoring** - if you are not able to commit for a specific period of time we would love to have you come help when you can. Please let us know if you are interested and we will make sure that when you come up to the school you will be welcome and busy!

**Enrichment Curriculum** - the following programs need people to help or to lead them depending upon your situation.  
Dance - Yoga/Aerobics - Photography - Fine Arts - Music Recording - Acting - Creative Writing - Video/Film- Martial Arts

Each program will last six (6) weeks and we are only requesting a minimum of 10 hours of volunteer time over that period. All volunteers will be provided orientation and training. All volunteers participating in the After School Programs must undergo mandatory background checks if they have not already done so.

## In-Kind Contributions

The needs are always there in a school district lacking in many basics. Also, the programs being implemented will need basic supplies. Here is a partial list that we will update periodically. Please let us know if you can contribute or if you have any ideas for contributions.

- Casual furniture for small office seating
- Reference books
- Christmas gifts for staff/teachers
- Student gift cards for in-school behavior programs
- Teacher Appreciation Week gifts and goodies - May 3-7

If you are interested or have any questions please contact Jim Mayhall - jmay243@gmail.com, Donna Johnson - dwj888@aol.com, or Corey Nelson - cnelson@firstchurchlf.org

AT 9:00 AM  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 AT 9:00 & 11:00 AM  
 WORSHIP  
 OCTOBER 1, 2009

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**150th**  
 1859-2009 SESQUICENTENNIAL

The Core Mission of  
 First Presbyterian  
 Church of Lake Forest

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- PROCLAIM CHRIST'S  
 MESSAGE
- 
- PROVIDE A  
 COMMUNITY OF  
 SPIRITUAL NURTURE
- 
- PROMOTE GOD'S  
 VISION OF JUSTICE

Reverend Corey Nelson will begin leading weekly Sunday evening services called, "**first @ five**" on **October 4, 2009** at First Church at five o'clock. Corey laughs when he points out that the best way he can describe first @ five is by saying what it is not; *"This service will be less formal than our Sunday morning services, but also include ancient, multi-sensory practices like lighting candles, drama & art and receiving communion that are not always a part of other contemporary styles of worship.*

*The music will be less traditional, too, but this is not just an excuse to get out my drum in worship!"* **first @ five** worship will embrace the powerful rhythms of our reformed worship traditions, but reframe them in a fresh way for our contemporary context and daily living.

informal  
 creative  
 worship  
**first @ five**  
 every Sunday @ 5:00PM  
 First Presbyterian  
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 upbeat  
 acoustic  
 music 847-234-6250  
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### SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENTS

- October 17** – Presbyterian Women's Retreat led by Reverend Chakoian
- October 25** – Brass & Organ Concert; Millar Brass and Jill Hunt, organ
- November 1** – Rick Spalding will preach
- November 15** – Rev. Dr. Cliff Kirkpatrick will preach; Sesquicentennial Mission Conference
- November 29** – Advent Supper & Wreath Making Workshop
- December 26** – Senior High Work Trip Alumni Reunion