

September 21-27, 2003

A LIGHT IN THE CITY
FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
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News and Opportunities

SHARING GOD'S GRACE

**Please join us
next Sunday, September 28
for a special brunch at**

9:00 Drake Hotel
10:30 Four Seasons Hotel
12:00 Drake Hotel

as we officially begin our
capital campaign
"A Light in the City:
Sharing God's Grace."

RSVP at the Campaign table during
Coffee Hour or by contacting Cheryl
Heads at 274.3820
(cheads@fourthchurch.org).

*Childcare is available following
Sunday School for parents who plan
on attending next Sunday's brunch.
Older nursery and Sunday School
children will be fed lunch. Nursery
children should be picked up in the
nursery after the brunch, while older
children should be picked up in the
Activity Center. For more information
or to register a child who is not
regularly in Sunday School, contact
Jill Stephens at 640.2578
(jstephens@fourthchurch.org).*

**One of the teams contributing to the
success of the capital campaign** is the
Contact Team. The mission of the
Contact Team is to reach out to every

member and friend of Fourth Church to
invite them personally to a series of
campaign activities. This week the
Contact Team will be calling on those
who have not yet responded to the
September 28 brunch invitation.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Victoria Decker Millar, who has served
as a Pastoral Resident at Fourth for the
last two years, begins her new call
tomorrow as Interim Associate Pastor at
the First Presbyterian Church of
Wilmette. She will be working with
another former Fourth Church pastor,
Sarah Butter. We wish Victoria Godspeed
as she moves to her new position.

Scaffolding has been erected outside the
east entrance to the sanctuary so that the
stonework above and around the east
window might be cleaned in preparation
for the new exterior lighting scheduled
for December 7.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Junior Highs (grades 6-7) meets today in
the Crow's Nest from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15
p.m. for food, watching an episode of
Malcolm in the Middle, and discussion.

Senior Highs (grades 9-12) meets today
in the Crow's Nest from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
for board games, a presentation on the
mission trip to Ghana, and a discussion
on stewardship of gifts.

Fall Family Camp is October 10–12 at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan. Join Joanna and Al Adams and other Fourth Church families for a weekend experiencing “God’s Bountiful Harvest.” Space is limited, so reserve early using registration forms found in Westminster House or by calling Jill Stephens in the Family Ministry Office at 640.2578.

WORSHIP

Jazz Vespers is this evening at 6:30 p.m., with music leadership by the Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble. The 2003 Confirmation Class will lead worship and three youth from last year’s confirmation class will be welcomed into membership.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Fourth Acts, a group performing liturgical drama during Vespers, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Newcomers are welcome.

Organist Ockert Vermeulen will perform the free Noonday Concert on Friday, September 26 at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Photographs of life in Cabrini-Green make up the current art exhibit on display in the Loggia. The images are the work of photographer Kyle Higgins and several children who live in Cabrini.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Donation Needs
Gently used unisex school uniforms (blue pants, yellow shirts) for children from grades 1 to 8.

Flash cards, digital camera, laminating machine, 30 copies of Lorraine Hansberry’s *A Raisin in the Sun*, 30 copies of Maya Angelou’s *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, and new dictionaries for Fourth Church’s Tutoring program and Cabrini-Green schools.

Deodorant, travel-sized toothpaste, and plastic shopping bags for guests of the Social Service Center

Current Volunteer Needs

Ushers for 8:00 a.m. worship.

People to help label and stuff envelopes for bulk mailings.

For more information about volunteer opportunities at Fourth Church, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 981.3382.

ENRICHMENT

Adult education opportunities offered today by the Academy for Faith and Life are: “Introduction to the Bible” (Anderson Hall South Balcony), “How the Church Talks to the State” (Anderson Hall North Balcony), and the John Knox Bible Study (Page Smith Room) at 9:30 a.m.; “Introduction to World Religions” (Anderson Hall North Balcony) and “Catholicism Meets Presbyterianism” (Anderson Hall South Balcony) at 11:00 a.m. Meeting on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. is “Mrs. Dalloway and Other Fictions of the Mundane” (Anderson Hall North Balcony).

Connections, a new Sunday School class offering participants the chance to examine current issues through the lens of Christian faith, continues today in the Page Smith Room at 11:00 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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Faith Builder Small Groups

Learn about an opportunity for groups of 10 to 12 adults to meet regularly to support one another in living out their Christian faith through study, prayer, fellowship, and service. An introductory meeting will be held on Monday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room or contact Anne Crow at 573.3369 (acrow@fourthchurch.org).

Young Adult Bible Study will discuss "The Problem of Evil" when it gathers on Tuesdays in September at 7:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

"Discerning God's Abundance in Your Life," a series of three conversations hosted by the Stewardship Committee, continues this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Jill Hammer, a consultant with RCI, will talk about "Growing in Relationship with God through the Financial Choices We Make." Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to Lynn Bailey in the Giving Ministries Office at 981.3380.

Leadership Training Seminars, designed to help participants develop skills for leading small groups, committees, and other teams and taskforces in the church, will begin on September 29. The first seminar, an orientation to leading a group at Fourth Church, is one of two seminars required to lead a Faith Builder or Common Connection group. For more information, contact Anne Crow at 573.3369 (acrow@fourthchurch.org).

Noonday Bible Study, led by members of the pastoral staff, meets on Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Fostering Healthy Relationships, a series of workshops for men and women who want to explore using personal strengths to create a more abundant relational life, will begin on Saturday, October 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To register, contact Carol Allerton at 640.5448 (callerton@fourthchurch.org).

Living with Arthritis, a free seminar engaging participants in ways to live and thrive with arthritis, will be offered on Saturday, October 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Registration must be made by Tuesday, September 30 by contacting the Arthritis Foundation, Greater Chicago Chapter, at 312.373.2080.

FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNITY

Young Adults meet today at 7:30 p.m. in the Manse for food, fun, and fellowship in a relaxed setting. All are welcome! Donations of food and beverages are encouraged. Enter the Manse from Michigan Avenue, off the Garth.

The Sewing and Knitting Workshop returns to work on Tuesday, September 23. The group meets from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room for a time of fellowship, to drop off finished articles, and to pick up supplies of yarn and material for the upcoming month. These items are distributed to local social service agencies and shelters. For more information, please contact Lisa Cochrane at 640.5495.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 21-27, 2003

Sunday, September 21

7:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joanna M. Adams preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Joanna M. Adams preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs	Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joanna M. Adams preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Connections	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts	Randolph Room
1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Jazz Vespers Service	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Loggia
7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Open House	Manse

Monday, September 22

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers, Monday through Friday	Blair Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Faith Builders Informational Meeting	Randolph Room

Tuesday, September 23

5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Workshop	Large Conference Room
7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study	Randolph Room

Wednesday, September 24

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	"Discerning God's Abundance in Your Life"	Manse

Thursday, September 25

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House

Friday, September 26

12:10 p.m.	Concert: Ockert Vermeulen, organist	Sanctuary
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Saturday, September 27

Preaching on Sunday, September 28

John M. Buchanan	8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
John H. Boyle	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$5.50 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m. and at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$5.00 until 2:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.25. Tickets must be validated in the coffee hour or at the Chestnut Street reception desk.

For child care arrangements (other than during Sunday morning worship services), call (312) 787-2729, ext. 282 at least three working days in advance.