



October 26–November 1, 2003

# News and Opportunities

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## SHARING GOD'S GRACE

As part of the “Faith in Action” lecture series, Cassandra Francis of U.S. Equities will speak today at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room about development trends in the Michigan Avenue and Chicago Avenue neighborhoods. Next Sunday, Peter Holsten, developer of North Town Village, will speak about building communities in mixed income neighborhoods.

**Stewardship pledge cards and Capital Campaign commitment cards** will be mailed this week to member homes. Please complete both of these cards and bring them with you to worship on Commitment Sunday, November 9.

## FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNITY

**Fourthlights** meets today for brunch at Coq D'Or (Drake Hotel) at 12:30 p.m. Meet at the church entrance at 126 East Chestnut to walk over to this event.

**Young Adults** meets today at 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Carol Allen will lead a discussion on “What Counts as a Good Life?” The group will then meet on Tuesday, October 28 for a SpeakEasy discussion at 7:30 p.m. at Club Lucky (1824 W. Wabansia). RSVP to Alfred Kemp in the Young Adults office at 981.3599 (akemp@fourthchurch.org).

**Thanksgiving dinner** will be served Thursday, November 27 at 12:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Tickets will be available during Coffee Hour beginning November 2 and at the reception desk during the week.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**November 2 is All Saints' Sunday**, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2003 will be read during morning worship. During evening worship, the Morning Choir will sing *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré.

**Free flu shots** will be available at Fourth Church on Friday, November 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This opportunity is sponsored by the Center for Health Ministry; immunizations are provided by the Chicago Department of Health.

**Pastoral Resident Wendy Mathewson** was ordained Friday in her home church in Oswego. She will continue her work here in the year ahead.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**A free organ concert** will be played by Abigail Woods this Friday, October 31 at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Musicians** to play the flute, oboe, cello, or violin at monthly Taize services

**Kids' Café helpers**, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

**Office workers** for Sunday School.

**Tutors** for children, at the church from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday.

**People to help label and stuff envelopes** for bulk mailings.

**RNs and nonmedical helpers** to assist with flu shots on December 3 from 2:45 to 5:15 p.m. at Byrd Academy in Cabrini-Green

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Laser printer, flash cards, laminating machine, and new dictionaries** for Fourth Church's Tutoring program and Cabrini-Green schools.

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

*Please label donations and drop them off at the reception desk at the Chestnut Street entrance. For more information about volunteer and donation needs, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 981.3382.*

**The Mission Benefit Committee** is requesting donations of airline miles to use for travel packages that will be part of the 2004 Mission Benefit auction. The committee will also be at Coffee Hour today and November 2 and 16 to accept other donations for the auction. For more information, contact Tracey Althans at 274.3816.

### **"Introduction to Volunteering,"**

a presentation by Allison Youngblood, will take place today at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall North Balcony. It will focus on finding motivation to volunteer, how to find a good fit in your choice of volunteer work, what to expect, and opportunities found at Fourth Church.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Six sermons by Elam Davies**, Pastor of Fourth Church from 1961 to 1984, are available on CD during Coffee Hour. Donations from the CDs benefit the Elam Davies Social Service Center.

**Tutoring Holiday Cards**, which benefit the Tutoring Program are available during Coffee Hour beginning November 2. They also are available at the reception desk during the week and can be ordered at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

### **October is Domestic Violence Month.**

Stop by the Advocacy Table during Coffee Hour to find out more about this issue. Also available at the table is a letter asking Congress to increase funding for domestic violence programs.

### **You can support Partners in Education**

**(PIE)** through a gift to United Way's 2003 Campaign. If your place of employment is participating in the campaign, you can designate a gift directly to PIE by submitting a "Donor Designation Pledge Form" along with your gift. Your gift will support PIE's many outreach programs.

### **The annual Midwinter Night's Dream**

**Mission Benefit** will take place Friday, February 20, 2004, at the Drake Hotel. Plan on joining us for "Carnaval Brazil."

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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## ENRICHMENT

**Connections**, an adult Sunday School class offering participants the chance to examine current issues through the lens of Christian faith, meets today in the Page Smith Room at 11:00 a.m. Today's topic, presented by Pastoral Resident Tamara Leonard, is "Is Colombia More Than Cocaine?"

**Adult education opportunities** being offered today by the Academy for Faith and Life are "Paul and the Rituals of the Christian Community" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) and "Introduction to the Bible" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m.; "Revisiting the Worship Experience" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) and "Introduction to World Religions" (Anderson Hall N. 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 N. Balcony).

**Bible Study** opportunities this week:  
*John Knox*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.  
*Older Adults*, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

**The Young Adults Faith Builder group**, dedicated to fostering a closer relationship to God and supporting members on their spiritual journeys, meets Thursday evenings. For more information, contact Alfred Kemp in the Young Adults office at 981.3599.

**"Your Particular Grief,"** a support group for those dealing with grief, is now open for registration. The group is facilitated by John Boyle and offered by Fourth Church's Lorene Replogle Counseling Center (112 E. Chestnut). For more information or to register, contact the Counseling Center at 787.8425.

**The Fourth Church Men's Group** will meet for breakfast on Saturday, November 8 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Carl Grapentine, of the Morning Show on WFMT, will discuss the development of classical music over two millennia. Make reservations by noon on Friday, November 7 by calling 787.4570.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School classes** meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

**Children's Corner**, a time of storytelling, takes place after 9:30 and 11:00 worship.

**Smorgasbord for Schools** takes place Sunday, November 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Stop by for an opportunity to learn about public and private education opportunities for children and youth.

**Junior Highs** (grades 6–7) meets today from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room. The group leaves from the Crow's Nest at 3:00 p.m. for a Halloween outing.

**Confirmation Class** (grade 8) meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

**Senior Highs** (grades 9–12) meets from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Large Conference Room. At 5:00 p.m. the group leaves from the Crow's Nest for a Halloween outing in Lincoln Park.

**College Connections** (undergraduate and graduate students) meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room for lunch and a discussion on connecting with God.

## CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 26–NOVEMBER 1, 2003

<b>Sunday, October 26</b>		
7:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Joanna M. Adams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Joanna M. Adams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior Highs	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Crow's Nest
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Joanna M. Adams preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
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
11:00 a.m.	Senior Highs	Large Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	"Volunteering 101"	Anderson Hall North Balcony
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Blair Chapel
12:30 p.m.	"Faith in Action"	Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	College Connections	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Fourthlights	(see announcement)
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
3:00 p.m.	Junior Highs	Crow's Nest
5:00 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Vespers Service</b> <b>Julie Kim preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Loggia
7:30 p.m.	Young Adults	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, October 27</b>		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers, Monday through Friday	Blair Chapel
<b>Tuesday, October 28</b>		
7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study	Randolph Room
7:30 p.m.	Young Adults	(see announcement)
<b>Wednesday, October 29</b>		
9:00 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
<b>Thursday, October 30</b>		
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
<b>Friday, October 31</b>		
12:10 p.m.	Concert: Abigail Woods, organ	Sanctuary

### ***Preaching on Sunday, November 2***

John M. Buchanan     8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
*Requiem* by Fauré     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.

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