

April 25–May 1, 2004

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# News and Opportunities

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## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Participants in the mission trip to Guatemala** leave this Saturday, May 1 for a one-week stay in Guatemala. These Fourth Church travelers, who are all health care professionals, will be providing health care to people who would not otherwise be able to receive medical attention. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

**Earth Day is April 22.** A letter to Illinois legislators encouraging support of the Illinois Clean Air Restoration Act is available at the Advocacy Table during Coffee Hour.

**A diaper drive sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect** is being held during April. Donations will be collected during Coffee Hour today and at the reception desk during the week. Disposable diapers for infants and toddlers will be donated to shelters for women and children.

**The deadline for submitting applications for mission trips** to Ghana, Northern Ireland, and Arizona and Mexico is this Saturday, May 1. Application forms are available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website.

**“Building a New El Salvador”** is the focus of a luncheon presentation by Juana Ponce Gámez on Sunday, May 2 at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room.

**“Ugly Jobs,”** a Senior Highs fund-raiser for their summer work camp trip to Alabama takes place on Saturday, May 22. To sign up to have the youth help you with “ugly” spring chores, contact Liz Thomson in the Youth office at 640.2576.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**A spring concert by Tower Brass** will be held today at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. A freewill offering will be received.

**Legendary Chicago jazz saxophonist Franz Jackson** and his quintet will perform a spring concert sponsored by the Center for Older Adults on Tuesday, May 18 at 6:00 p.m. at Fourth Church. Advance tickets are available from the COA office (981.3386).

**Rehearsals for this year’s spring choral concert,** “Music for an English Coronation,” are on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The concert will be held on Sunday, June 6.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday school** meets at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

**Children's Corner**, a time of storytelling, takes place in Anderson Hall following the 9:00 and 11:00 services.

**Junior Highs** (grades 6–7) fellowship does not meet today due to this weekend's retreat.

**Confirmation Class** (grade 8) meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest. The Confirmation Class retreat will be held on Friday–Saturday, May 14–15.

**Today is the annual Senior High bake sale.** Stop by during Coffee Hour to support the youth as they raise funds for their summer work camp trip to Alabama.

**The Baccalaureate and Leader Celebration Lunch**, held in honor of graduating youth and Tutoring students in grades 8 and 12 and their adult leaders, will be held on Sunday, May 23 at 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact Liz Thomson in the Youth office at 640.2576.

## FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNITY

**Fourthlights** (50s and above) meets for brunch today at 12:30 p.m. at Bistrot Zinc (1131 N. State).

**Fourth Forum**, a fellowship group of gays and lesbians, their friends, and their families, meets for fellowship on Wednesday, April 28 at 5:00 p.m. at Gentry's (440 N. State).

**Venture Fourth**, a fellowship group for singles, meets next Sunday, May 2 at 11:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room for a spiritual reflection series entitled "Faith for Daily Living."

## ENRICHMENT

**Academy for Faith and Life courses** offered today are "Introduction to Faith and Fourth" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) and "Justice for All" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and "A Witness in the Face of Conflict" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) and "Moses and David" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

**Bible Study** opportunities this week:  
*John Knox*, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
*Young Adults*, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.  
*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.  
*Older Adults*, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

**"Macular Degeneration"** is the topic of a seminar offered by the Center for Whole Health and the Center for Older Adults on Tuesday, April 27 at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

**"Recharting Our Ways through the Mel Gibson Maze:** Reviewing and Previewing the Wider Ramifications" will be the topic of a presentation by Michael Cook, Professor of Judeo-Christian Studies. Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware) has invited Fourth Church members and friends to attend this presentation on Tuesday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

**Books by Women** will meet on Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *Think of England* by Alice Elliott Dark.

*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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**“Navigating Career Transition”** is the topic of a weekly series on practical tools, tips, and motivation for employment offered by Fourth Church and the Career Transitions Center of Chicago. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays beginning May 5 at 7:45 a.m. in the Dining Room. For more information, contact Carol Allen at the church at 640.5398.

**A panel discussion about religious identity and dialogue** will be held on Sunday, May 2 at 4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. The discussion will feature Muslim and Protestant leaders from Barcelona as well as staff members of the Council for a Parliament of the World’s Religions.

**“What Does Sex Mean in Our Lives? Cultural Values and Myths”** is the topic of a workshop offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Tuesday, May 11 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425 by Tuesday, May 4.

**The Fourth Church Men’s Group** meets on Saturday, May 8 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room for a breakfast presentation by Sam Evans, Fourth Church member and an executive with the Y.M.C.A. International. He will discuss the work of the Y internationally and the issues that religious organizations face in today’s world. To make a reservation, call the church receptionist at 787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Friday, May 7.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Graduating in 2004?** Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree are asked to contact Liz Thomson at 640.2576 (lthomson@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, May 17 so they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 23.

**Collector plates depicting Fourth Church**, created and signed by artist Jack Simmerling, can be ordered during Coffee Hour today. All proceeds benefit the Capital Campaign.

**The route of next Sunday’s St. Jude Police Memorial March** may affect the travel of some worshipers on May 2. The parade, which takes place from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., will move north on Michigan Avenue from the river to Chicago Avenue and then west on Chicago to Clark Street.

**Is Fourth Church in your estate plans?** If it is, or if you would like information about doing so, please contact Patrick Quinn, Director of Giving Ministries, at 787.1271 (pquinn@fourthchurch.org).

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Window air conditioners** in good condition

**Infant and children’s clothes, toys, stuffed animals, beds, and bedding**

**125 hot meals** to be served at the Fourth Church-sponsored Monday night supper

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Fourth Church members** to assist at the Chestnut Street entrance on Sunday mornings.

**Computer technicians** to maintain the tutoring lab

**Kids’ Café helpers**, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Thursday

**Clothes sorters** on Mondays for Social Service Center’s Share Shop

*For more information, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 981.3382.*

## CALENDAR FOR APRIL 25–MAY 1, 2004

<b>Sunday, April 25</b>		
7:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Keith C. Harris preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
8:45 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
9:00 a.m.	Senior Highs	Anderson Hall
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Keith C. Harris preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs	Crow's Nest
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Keith C. Harris preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Venture Fourth	Page Smith Room
12:00 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.	Youth Choir	Blair Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Inquirer's Class	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Fourthlights	(see announcement)
3:00 p.m.	Tower Brass Concert	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Vespers Service</b> <b>Carol J. Allen preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Loggia
7:30 p.m.	Young Adults Fellowship	Anderson Hall
<b>Monday, April 26</b>		
11:45 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday through Friday)	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Leadership Seminar	Anderson Hall
<b>Tuesday, April 27</b>		
12:00 p.m.	Seminar: "Macular Degeneration"	Page Smith Room
7:00 p.m.	Seminar: "Discovering Your Giftedness"	Counseling Center
7:30 p.m.	Young Adults Bible Study	Randolph Room
<b>Wednesday, April 28</b>		
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
5:00 p.m.	Fourth Forum	(see announcement)
<b>Thursday, April 29</b>		
1:15 p.m.	Holistic Health Seminar	Page Smith Room
6:00 p.m.	Spring Concert Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Friday, April 30</b>		
10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Concert: Nathan Laube, organ	Sanctuary

### *Preaching on Sunday, May 2*

John M. Buchanan     8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.  
 Tamara Leonard Lara     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 \$6.00 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.