

October 17-24, 2004

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News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

Elizabeth Caldwell, Professor of Pastoral Theology at McCormick Theological Seminary and frequent Academy for Faith and Life instructor, will be the guest preacher at Jazz Vespers tonight.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Those planning on making a stock gift to Fourth Church will want to note that the financial institution that receives gifts of securities on behalf of the church has changed. Previous stock contributors will be receiving new stock transfer instructions in the mail. If you would like to make a stock gift to Fourth Church, please call Patrick Quinn, Director of Giving Ministries, at the church at 312.787.1271.

Those who would like information on the Medicare Prescription Drug Discount Card are invited to contact JoAnn Gruca in the Center for Whole Health office at 312.981.3397 (jgruca@fourthchurch.org).

New pay stations have been installed at the 900 North Michigan garage. Individuals presenting their parking ticket for validation during Coffee Hour, in the Narthex, or at the reception desk, will receive a validation ticket instead of a stamp. This ticket is to be inserted into the pay station at the time of payment in order to receive the reduced rates.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship brochures and pledge cards have been mailed to member homes. If you have not received your materials or have questions about the 2005 Stewardship Campaign, please contact Patrick Quinn, Director of Giving Ministries, at the church at 312.787.1271 (pquinn@fourthchurch.org). Pledge cards are also available in the pew racks.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Choir of St. Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh, will be in concert this Wednesday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Organist Bruce Barber will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Fourth Acts, a group that explores, expresses, and enjoys God's presence through theater, will present a staged reading of Kate Stout's *Together Alone*, a play about aging and caregiving. There will be two free performances: Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel and Friday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

The Junior High Academy Class meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets today at 11:00 a.m. in the Crow's Nest before an afternoon at the Cabrini Green Day Care Center. The group will return to the church by 2:00 p.m.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 1:00 p.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Collector plates depicting Fourth Church are available for pick up in Anderson Hall. Those who still wish to order plates can do so this morning or by calling Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578.

FELLOWSHIP

The Undergraduate Student College Connection Group meets today at 4:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room for dinner and interactive Bible study. The Graduate Student Group does not meet.

The Gathering, the Young Adults weekly fellowship opportunity, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

Venture Fourth, a gathering of single adults, meets today at 11:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.

The Center for Older Adults new member tea will be held this Friday, October 22 at 3:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For more information, call Mary Belcastro at the church at 312.981.3386.

Deepen your faith by joining a Faith Builder Group this fall. These small groups (8–12 adults) meet regularly to study aspects of living out one's faith in an intimate, supportive environment. New groups form throughout the year. For details, call Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369.

ENRICHMENT

Bible Study opportunities this week:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Parents, Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Adult education opportunities being offered today by the Academy for Faith and Life are "Faith and the Ballot Box" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) and "Islamic Mysticism" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and "Exploring the Apostles' Creed" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) and "Marriage and the Family Dilemma" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m. Meeting on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. is "*Proverbs of Ashes*" (Randolph Room).

"Using Your Emotional Intelligence during a Search" is this week's topic in the "Navigating Career Transitions" series held on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Manse. For information, call Carol Allen at the church at 312.640.5398.

"Looking Forward to Midlife," a women's health seminar and brunch, will take place this Saturday, October 23 at 8:30 a.m. The seminar will explore ways for thriving during menopause. Reservations are required by this Tuesday, October 19. For information or to register, call the Women's Health Registration Line at 312.787.2729.

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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A July 2005 tour to Greece will focus on the journeys of Paul. Those who would like to learn more about the tour are invited to an information session next Sunday, October 24 at 12:15 p.m. in the Manse. Additional information is also available by calling Carol Allen at 312.640.5398 or Donna Gray at 312.640.2577.

Representatives of the Parents Circle, an organization of more than 500 bereaved Israeli and Palestinian families who have lost family members to violence in the Middle East, will speak at Fourth Church Monday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For information, call Kathryn Johnson at the church at 312.640.2576.

The annual Covenant Network conference will be held at Fourth Church November 4–6. This year's topic is "Made in the Image of God: Thinking Theologically about Sex." Printed information and a registration form can be requested from the Academy for Faith and Life office by calling Sheila Cotter at 312.573.3366. Those interested in registering online can do so at www.covenantnetwork.org/conf04/conf04.html.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet for breakfast Saturday, November 13 at 8:00 a.m. RSVP by noon on Friday, November 12 by calling the church at 312.787.4570.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Holiday Cards designed by Tutoring students are available during Coffee Hour at the Chicago Lights table and from the reception desk during the week. They can also be ordered on the church website, www.fourthchurch.org. All proceeds benefit Partners in Education Tutoring, a program of Chicago Lights.

As the election approaches, letters to senators regarding such issues as education, poverty, health care, and hunger will be available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Donation Needs

Men's casual, serviceable clothes in large and extra large sizes
Brown paper bags with handles
Infants' and children's clothes, beds, bedding, stuffed animals, toys, strollers, car seats, and high chairs
Area rugs, beanbag chairs, colored storage containers, flashcards, and new reading books for Near North Magnet Schools in Cabrini-Green

Current Volunteer Needs

Grocery shoppers for the Sunday and Monday Night Suppers
Hosts, clerical workers, registrars, direction providers, and coat checkers (for two-hour shifts) for the Covenant Network Conference to be held at Fourth Church November 4–6
Greeters, leadership team members, and database managers for the Fourth Church Job Club
Fourth Church members who live in or near zip code 60625 to be part of a Care Team serving an elderly woman
Fourth Church members to serve as board members for nonprofit agencies supported by the church
Tutors from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays at the church
Helpers for Kids' Cafe from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 17-24, 2004

Sunday, October 17

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Children and Youth Choir Rehearsal		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Junior Highs Academy Class		Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life		Parish House
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life		Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Venture Fourth		Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	Junior Highs		Crow's Nest
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Fellowship		Randolph Room
1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs		Crow's Nest
4:30 p.m.	Undergraduate Student College Connection		Page Smith Room
6:30 p.m.	Jazz Vespers Service Elizabeth Caldwell preaching		Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, October 18

9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
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Wednesday, October 20

9:30 a.m.	Parents Bible Study	Large Conference Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
5:30 p.m.	“Navigating Career Transitions”	Manse
7:30 p.m.	Concert: The Choir of St. Giles Cathedral	Sanctuary

Thursday, October 21

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	“Proverbs of Ashes” Book Club	Randolph Room

Friday, October 22

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Bruce Barber, Organ	Sanctuary
3:00 p.m.	Center for Older Adults New Member Tea	Randolph Room
7:30 p.m.	Taize Service	Blair Chapel

Saturday, October 23

8:30 a.m.	“Looking Forward to Midlife” Seminar	Anderson Hall
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Preaching on Sunday, October 17

Calum I. MacLeod 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Alice M. Trowbridge 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.50 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.25. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.