



January 23-29, 2005

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Appointments are still available for the Blood Donor Drive being held today from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For information, stop by the Activity Center on the lower level.

“Finding Your Niche at Fourth Presbyterian Church,” a catalogue listing a wide variety of opportunities available at Fourth Church, can be found at www.fourthchurch.org and in the literature racks.

Alex Kotlowitz, author of *There Are No Children Here*, the story of two boys growing up in Cabrini-Green, will speak about his most recent book, *Never a City So Real*, at a free Michigan Avenue Forum Monday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m.

“Strengthening Our Ties,” conversations between Chicago Sinai and Fourth Church, will begin on Wednesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Temple (15 W. Delaware). At the first of this four-part series of dialogues, John Buchanan will discuss faith, including similarities and differences between Judaism and Presbyterianism. A limited number of spaces are available. Participants are asked to attend all four sessions in the series. For reservations, contact Kathryn Johnson at the church at 312.640.2576 (kjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Information sessions for the Honduras Habitat for Humanity mission trip (June 22–July 3) will be held today and next Sunday, January 30 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center (112 E. Chestnut). The application deadline for this trip is March 1.

Applications for trips to Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations (April 15–20) and to Borderlinks (May 8–15) are due March 1. Details about these and other Fourth Church-sponsored mission trips are available in brochures in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org. For more information, contact Vicki Reynolds at the church at 312.981.3384.

Information about the current plan to allow oil and gas development on Colorado’s Roan Plateau will be available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour as will letters to President Bush about this topic.

Fabulous Carnival Americana prizes will be given to lucky winners during Coffee Hour this morning. Brass rings, available at the Chicago Lights table for \$25 each, give the holder of that ring an opportunity to perhaps be one of those winners. Prizes include restaurant gift certificates, theater tickets, and other items.

The 2005 Mission Benefit Is Only Two Weeks Away!

There's still time to make your reservation for the 2005 Mission Benefit, an evening of fun in support of the programs of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church, the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, and other mission programs supported by Fourth Church. Make reservations by stopping by the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour, reserving online at www.fourthchurch.org, or contacting Tracey Silverman at 312.274.3816 (tsilverman@fourthchurch.org).

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

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

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

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

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets today at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest before an afternoon of games. The group will return to the church at 4:00 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, the Young Adults weekly fellowship opportunity, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Laura Crim and Jennifer Hill, two first-year McCormick Seminary students, will share their experiences with the Borderlinks mission program.

The Undergraduate Students College Connection Group meets today at 4:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

A Winter Open House offered by the Center for Older Adults will take place Monday, January 24 at 1:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. The event will feature jazz artist Willie Pickens along with an ice cream social.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Bryngelson-Laughlin Duo, featuring the flute and the classical guitar, will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you to all who have so faithfully contributed to the 2005 Stewardship Campaign and Project Light. Fourth Church appreciates your generosity. As of this week, a total of 1,031 pledges totaling \$2,337,933.52 have been received. If you have not yet returned your completed pledge card, please place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. For information, please contact Patrick Quinn, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.787.1271 (pquinn@fourthchurch.org).

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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VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for adults achieving basic skills,
6:00–7:30, Monday, Tuesday, or
Wednesday, at 721 N. LaSalle in a
program supported by Fourth Church

**Nurses to staff a free clinic in an
Uptown neighborhood homeless
shelter,** Tuesdays from 6:00 to
8:00 p.m.

**Drivers to pick up donated food from
grocery in Lincoln Park and deliver
to homeless shelter in Uptown**

Helpers for Kids Cafe from 4:30 to
6:00 p.m. on Mondays

Children's choir shepherds to assist
director, Sundays, 9:30 to 10:50 a.m.

Current Donation Needs

Reliable, full-size gas stove

Carts to transport books

Smocks for staff of nonprofit clinic

Gently used children's books

**Dental hygiene items, deodorant,
shampoo, and soap** for children

**New and gently used children's gloves,
caps, scarves, and coats**

Men's clothes and coats in large sizes

*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.*

ENRICHMENT

Adult education opportunities being
offered today by the Academy for Faith
and Life are "Paul's Epistle to the
Churches of Galatia" (Anderson Hall S.
Balcony) and "Introduction to Church
History, Part I" (Anderson Hall N.
Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and "Workplace
Spirituality" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony)
and "Introducing Psalms" (Anderson
Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

Bible Study opportunities this week:

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

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Women's, Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

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

**The registration deadline for the
July 2005 tour to Greece**, which
will focus on the journeys of Paul,
is Sunday, January 30. Information
is available by calling Carol Allen at
312.640.5398 or Donna Gray at
312.640.2577.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will
meet for breakfast on Saturday, February
12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.
Members of Fourth Acts, a group that
explores, expresses, and enjoys God's
presence through theatre, will read
excerpts from the play *The Women of
Lockerbie* by Deborah Brevoort. The
discussion to follow will focus on our
experience of grief in the wake of both
global and personal disasters. Reserve a
space by calling the church receptionist
at 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Friday,
February 11. All are welcome.

**A journal-writing workshop, "We Ar e
the Stories We Tell,"** will be sponsored
by the Lorene Replogle Counseling
Center on Saturday, February 12 from
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Fourth Church.
An informational brochure with
registration form is available in the
literature racks. For details, call the
Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

**"Finding Work without Losing Heart:
A Retreat for the Unemployed"**
will be held from 8:30 a.m. Tuesday,
February 15 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday,
February 16. To register, contact
the Career Transitions Center at
312.906.9908 or visit ctcchicago.org.
For more information, call Carol Allen
at the church at 312.640.5398.

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 23-29, 2005

Sunday, January 23

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Blood Donor Drive	Activity Center
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Academy Class	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	Honduras Mission Trip Information Session	Counseling Center
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs	Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Fellowship	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
4:00 p.m.	Undergraduate Student College Connection	Page Smith Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Carol J. Allen preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

Monday, January 24

9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday-Friday)	Stone Chapel
1:00 p.m.	Center for Older Adults Winter Open House	Anderson Hall

Tuesday, January 25

5:30 p.m..	Sewing and Knitting Workshop	Page Smith Room
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Wednesday, January 26

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
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Thursday, January 27

11:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, January 28

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Bryngelson-Laughlin Duo, flute and classical guitar	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Taize	Blair Chapel

Preaching on Sunday, January 30

John A. Cairns	8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
David Aja-Sigmon	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 \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.00. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.