

November 6–12, 2005

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CHURCH
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News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

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.

Adult education opportunities offered by the Academy for Faith and Life today are “Cabrini-Green Transformation: What’s Next?” (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) and “Introduction to the Bible” (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and “An Overview of the Gospel of Mark” at 11:00 a.m. (Anderson Hall S. Balcony).

The next “Arthritis Therapies” seminar will be Friday, November 11 at 11:30 a.m. in the Dining Room. Registration is required; to register, call 312.372.2080 or visit www.arthritis.org.

The Fourth Church Men’s Group will meet for breakfast Saturday, November 12 at 8:00 a.m. Owen Muelder, Director of the Galesburg Colony Underground Railroad Freedom Center at Knox College, will be speaking. RSVP by noon on Friday, November 11 by calling the church at 312.787.4570.

“Circle of Hope and Care: Hospice and Palliative Care Awareness,” a luncheon forum discussion, will be held Sunday, November 13 at 12:15 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Biblical scholar Bart Ehrman, author of *Misquoting Jesus*, will present a fascinating look at the ways in which changes were made to the biblical text in the days before the printing press, when copies of the Bible were made by hand. He will speak at the Michigan Avenue Forum on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

“Developing the Habit of the Soul: Four Kinds of Prayer,” a workshop offered by Spiritual Director Suzanne Dunbar, will take place on Saturday, December 3 at 9:30 a.m. To register, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

An interfaith AIDS conference will be cohosted by Fourth Church on Friday, December 2. An interfaith remembrance service, with Mary Fisher preaching, will be held on Thursday evening, December 1. For details, contact Sheila Cotter at 312.573.3366.

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has already made a commitment to the 2006 Stewardship Campaign. If you have not yet returned your completed pledge card, please place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. Pledge cards are available in the pew racks. For more information about the 2006 Stewardship Campaign, call Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

All are invited to the Stewardship dinner this Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Letters supporting increased funding for poverty-focused development assistance are available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

Mission trips to China, Cuba, Cameroon, Guatemala, Honduras, and the Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations are planned for 2006. Those interested in participating in or learning more about these trips are invited to an information session next Sunday, November 13 following 11:00 worship.

The “Christmas Wishes” gift project, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, collects holiday gifts for more than 700 children in need. Wish lists are available during Coffee Hour or by calling 312.640.5495.

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

A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be sponsored by the Mission Committee on Saturday, December 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and on Sunday, December 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Loggia. Proceeds from the fairly traded handcrafts will help promote the social and economic progress of people in developing regions of the world.

WORSHIP

The anniversary of the ordination of women will be celebrated at tonight's Vespers service. Rhaskell Hunter and Margaret Towner will be preaching.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer on Sunday mornings. Individuals can leave prayer requests written on paper in the box outside Stone Chapel or they can pray together with the Deacon who will be by the pulpit after 11:00 worship.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Blair Chapel.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service will be Friday, November 25.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

Printed copies of recent sermons are available in the literature racks and in print formats at www.fourthchurch.org.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Fifteen years of student-created Holiday Card designs are on display in the Gallery, celebrating this Tutoring project.

Passionate Focus, a collection of works by artists who are blind or visually impaired, is on display in the Loggia.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps prior to the Michigan Avenue lighting festival on Saturday, November 19 at 5:00 p.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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THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving dinner tickets are now available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week. This traditional dinner will be served in Anderson Hall following Thanksgiving Day worship.

The annual Thanksgiving Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, in which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 20 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist at 1000 N. Orleans.

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship will be Tuesday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Church.

Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church will be at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Thursday, November 24.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Smorgasbord for Schools takes place today from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Parents are invited to stop by to learn about public and private education opportunities in Chicago.

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

Children's Corner, a time of storytelling, takes place today after 9:30 worship.

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

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room. The group then meets at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 2:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Flu shots will be given today from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. No reservations are needed; there will be a \$10 administration fee for immunizations, payable to the American Lung Association of Metropolitan Chicago; Medicare beneficiaries are asked to bring their Medicare Card.

FELLOWSHIP

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

The Fourth Dimension, a gathering of individuals age 50 and older, will meet Friday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. RSVP by November 10 by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of Fourth Church gays, lesbians, and friends will meet for brunch at a nearby restaurant next Sunday, November 13 at 12:30 p.m. For details, call the Fourth Forum Infoline 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Fourth Church

Assistants for Kids' Cafe on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday

Current Donation Needs

Clothing and household items for survivors of hurricanes; lists of needed supplies are available at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour

Canned vegetables

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

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 6–12, 2005

Sunday, November 6

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
	8:00 a.m. Morning Worship	Sanctuary
	John M. Buchanan preaching	
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Flu Shots	Activity Center
	9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	9:00 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
	9:30 a.m. Morning Worship	Sanctuary
	John M. Buchanan preaching	
9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
	Smorgasbord of Schools	Dining Room
	9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class	Crow's Nest
	9:30 a.m. John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
	9:30 a.m. Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
	9:30 a.m. Junior Highs Sunday School	Large Conference Room
	9:45 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
	10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	10:30 a.m. Children's Corner	Anderson Hall
	10:30 a.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
	10:45 a.m. Junior Highs	Chestnut St. Entrance
	11:00 a.m. Morning Worship	Sanctuary
	John M. Buchanan preaching	
	Sunday School	Westminster House
	11:00 a.m. Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
	12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
	12:15 p.m. Intercessory Prayer	Sanctuary, by the Pulpit
	12:15 p.m. Church Tour	Sanctuary
	12:30 p.m. The Gathering	Randolph Room
	2:30 p.m. Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
	6:30 p.m. Vespers: Rhshell Hunter and Margaret Towner	Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m. Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

Monday, November 7

9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Blair Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room

Wednesday, November 9

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, November 10

6:00 p.m.	Congregational Stewardship Dinner	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, November 11

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
11:30 a.m.	"Arthritis Therapies" Seminar	Dining Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Allison Holmes, soprano	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	The Fourth Dimension	Manse

Saturday, November 12

8:00 a.m.	Men's Group Breakfast	Dining Room
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Preaching on Sunday, November 13

Calum I. MacLeod	8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
John H. Boyle	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 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.