

A LIGHT IN THE CITY  
**FOURTH**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
**CHURCH**  
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November 26–December 2, 2006

# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**A Kids' Day at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden** will be held on Saturday, December 2 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. There will be games, crafts, and lunch at the garden site (Chicago Ave. and Hudson). For more information, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

**Flu shots will be given at Fourth Church** next Sunday, December 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. There is a \$20 administration fee for the immunizations payable to the American Lung Association of Metropolitan Chicago. (Medicare beneficiaries are asked to bring their Medicare Card.) No reservations are required. For more information, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/health.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/health.html).

**Commemorative crosses that were preordered** can be picked up during Coffee Hour next Sunday, December 3 and at the reception desk beginning Monday, December 4. No new orders are being taken, but anyone interested in joining the waitlist can contact Christina Wollerman at the church at 312.573.3364 ([cwollerman@fourthchurch.org](mailto:cwollerman@fourthchurch.org)).

**Regular updates on Project Light** are available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website. Submit questions by leaving them in the Project Light box during Coffee Hour or by e-mailing [ProjectLight@fourthchurch.org](mailto:ProjectLight@fourthchurch.org).

## WORSHIP

**A Vespers Communion service** is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside Stone Chapel or the box at the Volunteer table. They also can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

**Morning prayer** is held each weekday at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

**An Interfaith AIDS service** will be held at Chicago Sinai at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 30.

**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 is Friday, December 22.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

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

**Mentors are needed for Fourth Church Rising** (Confirmation). If you are a current or former Elder or Deacon at Fourth Church and are interested in being a mentor, call John Vest at the church at 312.981.4037.

## ENRICHMENT

### **Bible Study opportunities:**

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

*Noonday*, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

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

**“An Attitude of Gratitude,”** a seminar offered by the Center for Whole Health, will take place on Tuesday, November 28 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

**New Academy for Faith and Life classes begin next Sunday, December 3: “Scottish Christmas Traditions,”** taught by Calum I. MacLeod at 9:30 a.m. and **“Flannery O’Connor, Advent, and the Eschaton,”** taught by Catherine Knott, at 11:00 a.m.

**The Fourth Church Men’s Group** will meet next on Saturday, December 9 at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and a program featuring traditional and contemporary seasonal music. RSVP by December 8 by calling 312.787.4570.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### **Volunteer Needs**

**Tutors for children** in a Fourth Church program on Wednesday or Thursday from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

**Assistants for Kids’ Cafe**, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week

**RNs and hosts to assist with flu shots** on December 3

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Men’s winter clothing**, sizes L and XL

*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.*

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar** will be sponsored by the Mission Committee, on Saturday and Sunday, December 2 and 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Proceeds will help promote the social and economic progress of people in developing regions of the world.

**A few spots are still available for the Fourth Church mission trip to New Orleans** (December 27–January 3). Application forms are available in the literature racks.

**The 2007 mission trips to Cuba (April 19–26) and the Holy Land (June 14–26)** have January application deadlines. Information about these trips is available in the literature racks.

## FELLOWSHIP

**Fourth Hoops**, a program offering basketball and a time for fellowship, meets every Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Northwestern University Athletic Club gym (850 N. Lake Shore Drive). All are invited.

**The Cornerstones Christmas party** will be held on Friday, December 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. RSVP by calling the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

**Fourth Dimension**, a group of individuals over 50, will meet Friday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Jim Kennedy will discuss “Sea Change: Cultural Evolution in the Early Twenty-First Century.” RSVP by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

*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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## STEWARDSHIP

**Thank you to everyone who has already made a commitment** to the 2007 Stewardship Campaign. We have received \$2.5 million in commitments from 944 households. Our goal is to exceed \$3 million in pledged gifts for 2007. If you have not yet completed your pledge card, please place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. For more information about the 2007 Stewardship Campaign, call Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

***The Face of AIDS and Poverty in Africa***, a collection of photos, is on display in the Loggia until December 17.

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

**Fourth Acts**, a group that presents staged readings in support of programs at Fourth Church, will present an open dress rehearsal of *A Child's Christmas in Wales* on Monday, November 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For more information, call Sue Pellowe at the church at 312.981.3593.

**"A Chanticleer Christmas"** concerts will be Wednesday and Thursday, November 29 and 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available by contacting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at 312.294.3000 ([www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org)).

**"Holidays a cappella"** will be performed by Chicago a cappella on Friday, December 1 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For ticket information, contact Chicago a cappella at [www.chicagoacapella.org](http://www.chicagoacapella.org) or 773.755.1628.

**The Civic Orchestra of Chicago** will perform a chamber concert on Sunday, December 3 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**An Advent wreath workshop for families** will be held Sunday, December 3 at 10:30 a.m. in the Lower Level Activity Center. All materials will be provided.

**The annual Vespers Festival of Advent Lessons and Music** will be Sunday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. A cookies-and-hot-chocolate reception hosted in Anderson Hall by Women@Fourth Connect will follow.

**"Light Up a Life"** this holiday season! Gifts to this year-end giving campaign will make a difference in the lives of those touched by Fourth Church and its many programs while also serving as a meaningful gift and way to honor the special people in your life. Details are available in the brochures in the church literature racks and on the church website. For more information, contact Judi DeJager at the church at 312.274.3833 ([jdejager@fourthchurch.org](mailto:jdejager@fourthchurch.org)).

**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 Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495.

**"Operation Christmas Gift Bag"** provides holiday gifts for Sunday Night Supper guests. Instructions and a bag, to decorate and fill, are available at the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour. Filled bags can be returned to the church on Sundays, December 3 and 10.

**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 at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org). All proceeds benefit the Chicago Lights Tutoring program.

**CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 26–DECEMBER 2, 2006**

**Sunday, November 26**

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John W. Vest preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John W. Vest preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John W. Vest preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
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
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Vespers</b> <b>Hardy Kim preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

**Monday, November 27**

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Blair Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Acts Presents <i>A Child's Christmas in Wales</i>	Randolph Room

**Tuesday, November 28**

12:00	"Attitude of Gratitude" Seminar	Page Smith Room
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**Wednesday, November 29**

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
8:00 p.m.	Concert: <i>A Chanticleer Christmas</i>	Sanctuary

**Thursday, November 30**

6:30 p.m.	Fourth Hoops	<i>(see announcement)</i>
<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Interfaith AIDS Service</b>	<b><i>(see announcement)</i></b>
8:00 p.m.	Concert: <i>A Chanticleer Christmas</i>	Sanctuary

**Friday, December 1**

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Andrea Holliday, soprano	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones Christmas Party	Manse
8:00 p.m.	Concert: "Holidays <i>a cappella</i> "	Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 2**

12:00 p.m.	Kids' Day at the Community Garden	Chicago Avenue Garden
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***Preaching on Sunday, December 3***

John M. Buchanan	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 \$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. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.