

November 2–8, 2008

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News and Opportunities

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

This evening requiems will be the topic of a presentation, given by musicologist William Porter, at 5:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Copies of the icon commissioned for Fourth Church are available for purchase during Coffee Hour today.

Soprano Alfreda Burke is the featured performer at this Friday's free Noonday Concert, which takes place at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary. The annual Tower Brass Noonday Concert will again be held the Friday after Thanksgiving, at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary on November 28.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 22.

WORSHIP

As part of the observance of All Saints' Sunday, the Morning Choir will sing *Requiem* by John Rutter during tonight's 6:30 p.m. Vespers service in the sanctuary.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel and offers an opportunity to pray for those in need.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the boxes located outside the chapel or pray there with a Deacon at 12:00 noon.

The annual Thanksgiving Day Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 23 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist Church at 1000 N. Orleans (Orleans and Oak).

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship will be held here on Tuesday, November 25; Chicago Sinai, Holy Name Cathedral, and Islamic Downtown Center will be participating.

Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Thursday, November 27. John W. Vest will be preaching.

There will be no Taizé service in November. The next service will be held on Friday, December 26.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The scaffolding located on the south aisle of the sanctuary will be up for the next week while repair work is being done on the 1914 stained glass windows.

The “Refreshing the Vision” long-range planning process for Fourth Church is underway, and the Steering Committee has requested member input. To fill out a copy of the survey e-mailed to News@FourthChurch subscribers, please stop by Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour today.

Thanksgiving Dinner tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week. This traditional dinner will be served in Anderson Hall at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 27.

Those who experience the blues and fatigue during the winter months are invited to a Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) dinner seminar on Thursday, November 20 in the Page Smith Room. Registration for the seminar, hosted by the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health, is required and can be made by calling 312.787.2729, ext. 375. Dinner is at 5:30 p.m.; the seminar at 6:00 p.m.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

Fourth Church youth meet today from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Elevation (grades 6–7) meets in the Manse basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) meets in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meet in the Crow’s Nest. Parents of eighth graders are invited to attend today’s Fourth Church Rising Parents’ Day so that they may learn about the program and meet other parents. The monthly Youth and Family Luncheon will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room.

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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The **Smorgasbord of Schools** will take place today from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall. Stop by to learn about educational opportunities.

“**Embracing Parents,**” an informal discussion group that centers on pertinent issues parents face, meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Tutoring Library.

Open enrollment for the Children’s Center, a full-day licensed child care and early education facility that serves children six-weeks old through five years of age, has begun. Call Assistant Director Licia Palmore at 312.640.5870 for details.

ANNUAL APPEAL

We are deeply grateful to those who have returned giving response cards for the 2009 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights. To date, we have received \$1,646,432 in gift intents, from 395 households, toward our \$6.3 million goal. For more details, stop by the display during Coffee Hour, visit www.fourthchurch.org/2009appeal.html, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Audio operator to record services in the sanctuary; training provided
Church members to staff the Book Nook
Tutors for the Tutoring program on Monday and Thursday evenings

For a list of additional needs, visit the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Applications for mission trips to Mississippi (December 28–January 3) and Colombia (February 6–15) are due this Monday, November 3. For details, visit the Mission table at Coffee Hour, pick up a brochure from the literature racks, or contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384. Applications for the March 7–15 Mexico trip are due Saturday, November 15.

A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be sponsored by the Mission Committee on Saturday and Sunday, December 6 and 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and will feature global gifts.

Chicago Lights Holiday Cards, designed by Tutoring students, are available during Coffee Hour, online at www.chicagolights.org, and at the reception desk; all proceeds benefit the Chicago Lights Tutoring program.

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

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

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Weekly adult education opportunities, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are “Theology and My Body,” led by Joyce Shin (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A) at 9:30 a.m., “Bible Stories You Should Know,” taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays, and “Writing as Spiritual Practice,” taught by Diane Stephens (Page Smith Room) on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Men’s Bible Study meets this Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details and to RSVP for breakfast, contact Anita Bright at 312.573.3364.

Books by Women will meet Tuesday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *The Soldier’s Heart* by Elizabeth Samet.

“**Who Owns Antiquity?**,” will be the topic of a free Michigan Avenue Forum on Tuesday, November 11. Art Institute President and Eloise W. Martin Director James Cuno will talk about his new book on “ownership” of antiquities, including the role of museums and countries of origin. The forum begins at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

The Community Book Group will discuss *Crow Lake* by Mary Larson on Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

FELLOWSHIP

Leslie Hindman of Leslie Hindman Auctioneers will give a presentation about “The Art of Collecting” this Friday, November 7. All are welcome at this Cornerstones-sponsored event, which will begin in the Manse at 6:00 p.m. To RSVP for this event, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by this Wednesday, November 5.

This week’s Men’s Group program will feature Hank Schwab, a survivor of the Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald. To learn more about his experience, join the group this Saturday, November 8 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP for breakfast, call 312.787.4570 by Friday, November 7. All are welcome.

Fourth Dimension, a group for individuals fifty and over, will meet on Friday, November 14 at 6:00 p.m. to hear Paul Green, Director of the Institute of Politics at Roosevelt University, talk about the results of the 2008 election.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2–8 2008

Sunday, November 2

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Academy Class		Anderson Hall North Balcony
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	“Embracing Parents”		Tutoring Library
10:00 a.m.	Smorgasboard of Schools		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Academy Class		Anderson Hall South Balcony
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 and Family Luncheon		Dining Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper		Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Presentation on Requiems		Page Smith Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, November 3

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers’ Class		Page Smith Room

Tuesday, November 4

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study		<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Books by Women		Large Conference Room

Wednesday, November 5

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

Thursday, November 6

6:30 p.m.	Academy Class		Page Smith Room
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Friday, November 7

10:00 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Alfreda Burke		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Leslie Hindman: “The Art of Collecting”		Manse

Saturday, November 8

8:00 a.m.	Men’s Group		Dining Room
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Preaching on Sunday, November 9

	Joann H. Lee	8:00 a.m.
	John M. Buchanan	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
	Alice M. Trowbridge	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sunday mornings at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, at the rate of \$7.00 for three hours 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 for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.