

November 15–21, 2009

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# News and Opportunities

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## ANNUAL APPEAL

**In an effort to more faithfully steward our resources, this month pledge fulfillment statements for the 2009 Annual Appeal** will be sent electronically to members for whom we have valid email addresses. For details or to update your preferred email address, contact Candi Wiggins at 312.274.3822 (cwiggins@fourthchurch.org). Thank you for your gifts to Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights!

**We are deeply grateful to those who have returned giving response cards for the 2010 Annual Appeal** for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights, “Called to Be a Church Alive.” To date, we have received \$2.6 million in gift intents, from 714 households, toward our \$5.6 million goal. Giving Response cards are available in the pew and literature racks and online at [www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html). For details, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Individual and Planned Giving, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**Fourth Presbyterian Church**, a member congregation of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, is committed to being a fully inclusive community. To learn more about Covenant Network, visit [www.covenantnetwork.org](http://www.covenantnetwork.org).

**An event in support of the Ferguson Fellows program** will be held this Thursday, November 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Woman’s Athletic Club (626 N. Michigan Avenue). Gifts to the Dana Ferguson Myers Memorial Educational Fund can also be made by writing “Ferguson Fellows” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church or by making a gift online at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org). For event tickets, contact Wydetta Carter at 312.981.3381 (wcarter@fourthchurch.org).

**Project Second Century: Called to Love and Serve (P2C)** is Fourth Church’s initiative to expand its programs, service, and presence in the city as well as the facilities and financial strength to enable such growth. Recent milestones include the completion of preliminary plans for a new building; distribution of a request for proposal; conversations related to the city approval process; and the first stages of plans for a capital fund-raising campaign. For more details about P2C, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html).

**How this congregation can best minister to one another and surrounding communities** will be the topic of a meeting on Sunday, November 22 at 9:30 a.m. for gays and lesbians and those interested in learning about, advocating for, or supporting Fourth Church’s aspiration to be an inclusive community of faith, welcoming to all.

**Extra hand sanitizer is available** throughout the church during this flu season.

**A portion of the sidewalk on Chestnut Street** will be closed until Thanksgiving while Peoples Gas makes repairs.

## WORSHIP

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes.

**Today Pastoral Resident Joann Lee will be ordained** to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament during the 4:00 service. All are invited to attend the service and reception following it and support Joann in this important moment in her ministry.

**Morning Prayer** is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m. in Stone Chapel, except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m.

**A World AIDS Day service** remembering those who have died and those who are suffering from AIDS will be held Tuesday, December 1 at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel as part of Morning Prayer.

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Church members** to assist with the Book Nook during Coffee Hour

**Servers** for Thanksgiving Dinner

**Sunday School teachers** for 11:00 a.m. classes; alternating Sundays

*For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.*

*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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## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Prints featuring the 2004 sanctuary installation of stars and doves** are available in Coffee Hour; proceeds benefit the Fourth Church Center for Sacred Arts.

**The Chicago Ensemble** will be in concert at Fourth Church Tuesday, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available by calling 773.889.4206 or visiting [www.thechicagoensemble.org](http://www.thechicagoensemble.org).

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**A canned food drive for Central City Housing Ventures**, sponsored by the Mission Committee, will be held during Coffee Hour in November; donations can be dropped off at the Mission table.

**Attending a Step Afrika! percussive arts performance** November 19–21 will support the mission and ministry of Chicago Lights. For tickets and information, visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org).

**Chicago Lights Holiday Cards**, designed by Tutoring students, are available during Coffee Hour, at the reception desk, and online at [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org). All proceeds benefit the Tutoring program.

**The “Christmas Wishes” gift project** collects gifts for more than 700 children who might not otherwise receive them. Wish lists are available during Coffee Hour or by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 ([aellis@fourthchurch.org](mailto:aellis@fourthchurch.org)).

**A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar** will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall to benefit impoverished families around the world.

## ENRICHMENT

### **Weekly Bible Study opportunities:**

*Women*, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

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

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

*Life and Learning*, Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

### **Today's adult education opportunities**

are "An Ancient Love Story: The Book of Ruth" at 9:30 a.m. and "A Family Rooted in Vibrant Faith" and "All Kinds of Prayer for All Kinds of People" at 11:00 a.m.

**Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday** at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Patty Donmoyer at 312.573.3364.

**Krista Tippett of "Speaking of Faith" will be interviewed by Eboo Patel** at a Michigan Avenue Forum this Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets will be available at the door. A reception begins at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

**John Buchanan will speak on "The Ministry of Journalism"** during a special session of the *Christian Century* Discussion Groups this Wednesday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. To register (required), contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (*space is limited*).

A "**Nia Splash Out**" session will be held Saturday, November 21 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. To register, call the Nia Class Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371 or visit [www.niachicago.com](http://www.niachicago.com).

"**An Update on Strokes**," a session led by gerontological nurse practitioner JoAnn Gruca, will be held Tuesday, November 24 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room.

**Men and women sixty and more** are invited to join the CLL's upcoming drawing and watercolor classes. For details, visit [www.chicagolights.org](http://www.chicagolights.org) or contact Sergio Soltero at 312.981.3386.

## THANKSGIVING

**Thanksgiving Dinner tickets** are available today 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 26.

**The annual Thanksgiving Day Gospelfest**, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 22 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist Church at 1000 N. Orleans (Orleans and Oak). All are invited to a dinner following the service.

**Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship** will be held at Chicago Sinai Temple (15 W. Delaware) on Tuesday, November 24; Chicago Sinai Congregation, Holy Name Cathedral, and Fourth Church will be participating.

**Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church** will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Thursday, November 26. Ali Trowbridge will be preaching.

A **Thanksgiving labyrinth walk** will be available Saturday, November 28 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday School** classes meet 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.

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Gathering**, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room for a presentation by Habitat for Humanity International.

## CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 15–21, 2009

### Sunday, November 15

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Calum I. MacLeod preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
8:00 a.m.	Handbell Choir	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Large Conference Room
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study/"The Book of Ruth"	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation (grades 6–7)	Manse Basement
10:30 a.m.	Fourth Church Rising (grade 8)	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Senior Highs (grades 9–12)	Crow's Nest
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>John M. Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	"A Family Rooted in Vibrant Faith"     Anderson Hall N. Balcony B	
11:00 a.m.	"All Kinds of Prayer for All Kinds of People"     Anderson Hall N. Balcony A	
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir	Dining Room
12:00 p.m.	Senior High Choir	Blair Chapel
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Dining Room
12:15 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.	The Gathering: Habitat for Humanity International	Randolph Room
3:00 p.m.	Chamber Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b> <b>Ordination of Joann H. Lee</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
5:00 p.m.	Ordination Reception	Manse
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper	Anderson Hall

### Monday, November 16

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Michigan Avenue Forum Reception	Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	Michigan Avenue Forum: Krista Tippett	Sanctuary

### Tuesday, November 17

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel

### Wednesday, November 18

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	"The Ministry of Journalism"	Manse

### Thursday, November 19

5:30 p.m.	Ferguson Fellows Celebration	<i>(see announcement)</i>
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

### Friday, November 20

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: David Hoffman	Sanctuary

### Saturday, November 21

10:00 a.m.	Nia "Splash Out"	Anderson Hall
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### *Preaching on Sunday, November 22*

Joann H. Lee preaching	8:00 a.m.
John M. Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader preaching	4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$7.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.