

October 3–9, 2010

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News and Opportunities

VOLUNTEERS

Today's Volunteer Fair provides a way to get connected, through service, at Fourth Church. Information about a variety of ways in which people can live out their faith, serving one another, this city, and the world, will be available in Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour.

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for the Tutoring program; once a week, Monday–Thursday evenings
Sunday School teachers for alternate Sundays; four teachers needed for third grade at 9:30 a.m., one teacher for three- to four-year-olds at 11:00 a.m.

For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (lnicholson@fourthchurch.org).

ANNUAL APPEAL

Church Alive, the 2011 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights, is underway. Giving response cards have been sent to member homes and are also available in the pew racks, online, and wherever “Church Alive” display stands can be found. Please return completed cards by Commitment Sunday, October 31, so we can faithfully plan and budget for 2011. For information, contact Kathryn Johnson, Associate Director for Development Operations, at 312.640.2576.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today's rally to “Silence the Violence, Support Our Youth” will be held at 1:00 p.m. outdoors in the Garth. All are invited to attend and demonstrate support for efforts to curb violence in the city and support the youth affected by it.

The purple bows on the Michigan Avenue trees represent the thousands of individuals who are victims of domestic violence each year. Also in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, domestic violence survivor Rae Luskin will speak on Sunday, October 17 at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Mission Trip Sunday will take place Sunday, October 17. Visit Coffee Hour that day to learn about past and upcoming mission trips.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today is “Bike to Church” Sunday and the kickoff for “Bike to Church” month (October). Details about biking to church are available online at www.fourthchurch.org/cycling.html.

Directions and the easiest routes to get to Fourth Church on Sunday, October 10, the day of the Chicago Marathon, can be found online at www.fourthchurch.org/marathon.pdf.

“Celebrating the Whole Household of God” is the theme of the 2010 Covenant Network Conference, which will be held November 4–6 in Houston.

The scaffolding outside the sanctuary will be there for the next few months as repairs are made to the ninety-eight-year-old stonework. This work is being undertaken as part of P2C.

Fourth Presbyterian Church is a light in the city, reflecting the inclusive love of God. Comforted and challenged by the gospel of Christ, we strive to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual’s spiritual pilgrimage.

FELLOWSHIP

Young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five are invited to meet on Sundays at 12:20 p.m. in the Randolph Room for discussion and a time of fellowship.

Fourth Dimension, a fellowship gathering for individual adults age forty-seven and older, will gather Friday, October 8 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a program about “The Day of the Dead.” To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

The Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago will be the topic of the next Men’s Group meeting on Saturday, October 9. For details or to RSVP, call 312.787.4570 by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, October 6.

The ThirtiesForties fellowship group will gather Sunday, October 17 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse for their monthly LITES discussion, which focuses on short video clips from the NOOMA series.

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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An intergenerational congregational luncheon in celebration of All Saints’ Day will be held Sunday, November 7. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk during the week.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Children’s Choir and Youth Choir will sing during 9:30 and 11:00 worship. For information about these choirs, contact Katy Sinclair at 312.274.3807.

Fourth Church Organist and Director of Music John Sherer will perform this Friday’s free Noonday Concert.

Unplanned Exile: One Family’s Flight from Oppression will be presented by Fourth Acts next Sunday, October 10 at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

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, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

A weekly jazz service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary and includes Communion.

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

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held each fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel; the next service will be Friday, October 22.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

Giggles for God!—a weekly sing-along for parents and their babies, toddlers, or preschoolers—will meet today at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in Westminster House.

Fourth Church Youth meet today at 10:30 a.m. with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Manse Basement, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8) in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Crow’s Nest. Youth and their families are invited to attend a luncheon at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

Fall Family Camp will be held October 8–10 at Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and online at www.fourthchurch.org/downloads/FamilyCamp0910.pdf.

ENRICHMENT

Today’s Academy for Faith and Life adult education opportunities are “Authors Quoted from the Fourth Church Pulpit” at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony, and meeting at 11:00 a.m. is “Introduction to the Hebrew Bible” in Anderson Hall North Balcony A and “What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?” in Anderson Hall South Balcony. Course details are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

Tonight’s Michigan Avenue Forum will feature **Vanderbilt Divinity School professor Ted Smith**. His 7:00 p.m. talk on “Sex and the Limits of Ethics” will be held in Anderson Hall.

Men’s Bible Study meets this Tuesday, October 5 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

The Noonday Bible Study gathers each Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss the biblical text for the upcoming 9:30/11:00 sermon.

Christian Century Study Groups will meet this Wednesday, October 6. For details or to register, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 by Monday, October 4.

“**Foods for Cancer Prevention**” is the topic of the Tuesday, October 5 Triumph over Cancer gathering for those living with cancer. For details or to register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 443.

Books by Women will gather Tuesday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse to discuss *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett.

A free screening of *Kepulihan: Stories from the Tsunami* will be held Wednesday, October 13, at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Krista Tippett will speak on “Religion, Media, and Public Life in the Twenty-First Century” at a *Christian Century* event at the Arts Club of Chicago on Thursday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. Ticket information is available by contacting the *Century* at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

A panel presentation featuring members of Covenant Network, More Light, That All May Freely Serve, and Presbyterian Welcome will be held Friday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Manse as part of Changing Conversations, a series that invites members and friends of Fourth Church into discussion about issues affecting gay and lesbian persons and our life together in community. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The Community Book Group will gather Tuesday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. Jo Preuninger will lead discussion of *The Road to Mecca* by Muhammad Asad.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 3–9, 2010

Sunday, October 3

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Giggles for God	Westminster House
9:00 a.m.	Group for Mothers with Children ages 5-12	Oak Tree Restaurant
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Ted Smith preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Anderson Hall North Balcony
9:30 a.m.	“Authors Quoted from the Pulpit”	Anderson Hall South Balcony
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs	<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Giggles for God	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Ted Smith preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	“Introduction to the Hebrew Bible”	Anderson Hall North Balcony A
11:00 a.m.	“What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?”	Anderson Hall South Balcony
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir	Dining Room
12:00 p.m.	Youth and Family Luncheon	Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Volunteer Fair	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:20 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
1:00 p.m.	“Silence the Violence, Support Our Youth” Rally	Garth
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
7:00 p.m.	Michigan Avenue Forum: Ted Smith	Anderson Hall

Monday, October 4

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Dining Room
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers’ Class	Page Smith Room

Tuesday, October 5

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Triumph over Cancer	Randolph Room

Wednesday, October 6

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	<i>Christian Century</i> Study Groups	Manse

Friday, October 8

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Anderson Hall

Saturday, October 9

8:00 a.m.	Men’s Group	Dining Room
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Farm Stand Open / Volunteer Hours	Chicago Lights Urban Farm

Preaching on Sunday, October 10

Kerri N. Allen preaching	8:00 a.m.
John Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Matthew J. Helms 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.