

October 31–November 6, 2010

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News and Opportunities

ANNUAL APPEAL

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2011 Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights. All are invited to attend today's special Coffee Hour celebrating all that we are able to do together through our generous response to God's blessings in our lives. Those who have not yet completed a 2011 giving response card are invited to do so this morning. Giving response cards are available in the pew racks, on "Church Alive" display stands, and in Coffee Hour and can be completed online at www.fourthchurch.org. We are grateful to those who have already returned giving response cards for the 2011 Annual Appeal. For details, visit www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html.

Today's Commitment Sunday Coffee Hour is generously sponsored by Tom and Judy Monroe. For information about Coffee Hour sponsorship, contact Joyce Shin at 312.274.3835 (jshin@fourthchurch.org).

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Inquirers' Class provides an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Monday, November 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday. Be sure to set your clocks back an hour for Sunday morning, November 7.

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.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

All Saints' Sunday is November 7, a day when we remember the faithful who have gone before us and honor departed loved ones. As part of that observance, the names of all Fourth Church members who have entered the Church Triumphant in 2010 will be read during worship.

Fauré's Requiem will be sung by the Morning Choir during a special communion service of remembrance at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 7.

An All Saints' intergenerational congregational luncheon will held Sunday, November 7 in Anderson Hall following 11:00 worship. Seating is limited; tickets are available during Coffee Hour and at the reception desk.

An All Saints' labyrinth walk will be available Saturday, November 6 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

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 10:30 a.m.

Today's adult education opportunities,

offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "Authors Quoted from the Fourth Church Pulpit" at 9:30 a.m. (Page Smith Room); "Introduction to the Hebrew Bible" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A) and "John Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*—Continued" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.; and "Vampires and Theology" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 12:30 p.m. Details are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/academy.html.

Men's Bible Study will gather this Tuesday, November 2 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For information, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

"Faithful Responses to Popular Atheism," led by **John Buchanan**, meets on Fridays at 7:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall.

Robert Putnam, author of *Bowling Alone*, will discuss his new book, *American Grace*, on Thursday, November 4 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

"Women, Food, and God" a twelve-session class and support group that will address the issues raised in this book, will be offered on Tuesday evenings at Fourth Church, beginning November 9. For details or to register for this free course, call the "Women, Food, and God" Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 375.

A Fourth Church study tour of the Holy Land will be led by Adam Fronczek and John Vest next June 20–29, 2011. Details are available in Coffee Hour or by contacting Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398 (afronczek@fourthchurch.org).

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today Fourth Church youth are taking orders for holiday wreaths during Coffee Hour to raise funds for their work camp trips in summer 2011.

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 confirmation) in the Page Smith Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Crow's Nest. Afterwards they will participate in an afternoon all-youth service project focused on homelessness.

The Smorgasbord of Schools will be held Sunday, November 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Dining Room. Families are invited to come learn about elementary schools in Chicago.

This month's Family Night will be held Friday, November 12 at various member homes. To sign up or for more details, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578 (mscanlan@fourthchurch.org).

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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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.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Church members to participate in two care teams for other members
Hosts and servers for Caring Celebration Luncheon, Saturday, November 6
Carnaval volunteers to assist with securing items for the auctions
Office assistant for Sunday School

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

FELLOWSHIP

“Musical Memories—Three Journeys” will be presented at the Saturday, November 13 Men’s Group meeting at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP for breakfast, call 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, November 10.

“Women Building Connections across Faith Lines” will be the topic of an interfaith conversation on Saturday, November 13 from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Downtown Islamic Center (231 State Street), hosted by Fourth Church and the Muslim Women’s Alliance.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Today a letter regarding handgun legislation in Illinois is available to sign at the Mission Table.

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

An advocacy trip to Springfield is being planned for Wednesday, November 17 to bring to the attention of legislators issues related to “Silence the Violence, Support Our Youth.” For details or to sign up, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

Applications for the 2011 Cuba and Colombia mission trips are due this December. Details about these and other upcoming Fourth Church mission trips are available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chicago Ensemble will be in concert on Tuesday, November 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. Tickets are available by calling 773.889.4206.

The Newberry Consort will be in concert at Fourth Church on Sunday, November 7 at 3:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel. Tickets are available by calling 312.255.3610 or visiting www.newberryconsort.org.

A staged reading of *The Snow Goose* by Paul Gallico will be presented by the Fourth Acts theater ensemble on Friday evening, November 12 for the Fourth Dimension fellowship group, and on Sunday, November 14 at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. For more details, call the Fourth Acts Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext 455.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 31–NOVEMBER 6, 2010

Sunday, October 31

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Commitment Sunday Celebration	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Giggles for God	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Anderson Hall North Balcony
9:30 a.m.	“Authors Quoted from the Fourth Church Pulpit”	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Youth Choir	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Commitment Sunday Celebration	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs	(see announcement)
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir	Blair Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Giggles for God	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes	Anderson Hall Balconies
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Children’s Choir	Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Commitment Sunday Celebration	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	“Vampires and Theology”	Anderson Hall South Balcony
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall

Monday, November 1

8:30 a.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday)	Westminster House
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, November 2

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study	(see announcement)
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
7:30 p.m.	The Chicago Ensemble Concert	Blair Chapel

Wednesday, November 3

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

Thursday, November 4

3:00 p.m.	Robert Putnam Presentation	Sanctuary
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Friday, November 5

7:30 a.m.	“Faithful Responses to Popular Atheism”	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Susan Levitin	Sanctuary

Saturday, November 6

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Farm Stand Open / Volunteer Hours	Chicago Lights Urban Farm
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Caring Luncheon Celebration	Anderson Hall
1:30 to 3:00 p.m.	All Saints’ Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall

Preaching on All Saints’ Sunday, November 7

Sarah A. Johnson preaching	8:00 a.m.
John Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Kerri N. Allen 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.