

October 16–22, 2011

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# News and Opportunities

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**A Fall Festival**, including a costume contest, pumpkin carving, and fresh food, will take place on Saturday, October 22 at 12:00 noon at the Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago).

**To stay up-to-date with Fourth Church:** “Like” Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

**The 737 building**, which provides additional off-site program and office space on the 19th floor during P2C construction, is located on Chicago Avenue, two blocks south of Fourth Church and just east of Michigan Avenue and Walgreens.

**Chestnut Street** will be unavailable for drop-offs during the upcoming weeks while the City of Chicago undertakes sewer improvement work. The number of lanes in use on Michigan Avenue will also be limited during October.

**The 2011 Covenant Network Conference**, “Reconciling: Voices, Visions, Vocations,” will be held November 3–5 in Durham, North Carolina. Registration details are available online at covnetpres.org.

**A giving kiosk in the Narthex** makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church or Chicago Lights or to fulfill pledges.

**The Ninth Annual Caring Luncheon Celebration** will take place on Thursday, November 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. All caregivers and those who receive care are invited to this free event. Registration is requested by Thursday, October 25. To RSVP, contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

**Save the date! Carnival 2012**, the annual Mission Benefit, will be Friday, March 2.

## ANNUAL APPEAL

**Church Alive, the 2012 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 in Coffee Hour. Please return completed cards by Commitment Sunday, October 30, so we can faithfully plan and budget for 2012. For information, stop by Coffee Hour or call Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576.

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Today and next Sunday Tutoring Holiday Cards will be available during Coffee Hour.** Cards are also available Monday–Thursday evenings during Tutoring this month. The cards being offered this year are cards remaining from previous years, as the Holiday Card program has been discontinued. Cards are available in 16-card packs, for \$5 per pack.

**Information about opportunities to volunteer as a mentor** at various Chicago organizations will be available today at the Mission Table during Coffee Hour.

## **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

### **Current Donation Needs**

**Men's clothing, especially pants**, for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

**Double paper/plastic bags from Treasure Island** for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

### **Current Volunteer Needs**

**Helpers to serve in hospitality and registration** at the Care, Comfort, and Coffee Symposium on Saturday, October 22 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.  
**Tutors for children** from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at Fourth Church

**Church members to staff the Book Nook** on a rotating basis during Coffee Hour

**Grocery shoppers** for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

**Church members to usher** at the 8:00 or 11:00 a.m. worship services

**Urban Farm helpers** on Saturdays and during the week

**Church members to replenish a care team** for the family of a chronically ill child

*For details or to volunteer, visit the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.*

## **WORSHIP**

**A jazz service** is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion.

**A service in the style of Taizé** is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be on Friday, October 28.

*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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**An All Saints' Service** featuring Brahms' *Requiem* sung by the Morning Choir will take place on Sunday, November 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Individuals are invited to pray with a Deacon at that time.

**Morning Prayer** is held weekdays in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

## **FELLOWSHIP**

**John Buchanan will meet with ThirtiesForties** today for the "Face-to-Face" series at 12:30 p.m. in the Calvin Room at the 737 building.

**Young Adults** meet today at 12:30 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building for fellowship and discussion.

**A trip to Amish Acres in Nappanee, Indiana**, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Wednesday, October 19. Anyone sixty years and more is invited to register with Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

## **MUSIC AND THE ARTS**

**Cellist Sarah Marsh** will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert in the Sanctuary.

**The art exhibition "Bound for Glory"** by Timothy Botts is on display in the Loggia through late November. An artist reception will take place Sunday, November 6 during Coffee Hour following 11:00 a.m. worship.

## ENRICHMENT

**Academy for Faith and Life classes** meet today at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). “An Introduction to Howard Thurman,” led by Carol Allen, and “The Big Questions: Essentials of Christian Theology,” led by Adam Fronczek, meet at 9:30 a.m. “What’s the Least I Can Believe and Still Be a Christian?” led by Matt Helms, meets at 11:00 a.m.

**Today the “Religion in Interfaith Homes” series** will discuss “Talking to Your (Future) Children about God” at 12:30 p.m. at Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware Pl.).

“**The King James Bible at 400,**” a special Michigan Avenue Forum at the Newberry Library, will celebrate the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible, with Randall Zachman speaking, on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. To register for this free event, call Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

“**The Branch We Seldom Climb,**” a discussion for men sixty and more about the U.S. Supreme Court, will take place on Thursday, October 20 at 10:00 a.m. at the 737 building. To register for this Center for Life and Learning event, call Sergio Soltero at 312.981.3386.

**The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study** meets Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**New Academy for Faith and Life classes** begin next Sunday at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). “Christianity without Heaven or Hell,” led by John Vest, and “Expected Grace: Can Jesus’ Interactions with Women Help You Get Over Your Fear of the Bible,” led by Judy Watt, will meet at 9:30 a.m. “Understanding Arab Spring,” led by Azam Nizamuddin, and “At the Name of Jesus,” led by Tom Rook, will meet at 11:00 a.m.

A “**Living a Balanced Life: Coping with Stress and Anxiety**” workshop will be held on Saturday, October 22 at 8:00 a.m. at the 737 building. Registration forms are available in the literature racks or by calling 312.787.2729, ext. 375.

**New Testament scholar N. T. Wright** will speak at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Sunday school** classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

**The nursery for young children** is located in the Page Smith Room and Second-Floor Conference Room.

**Fourth Church youth**, including Elevation (grades 6–7), Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation), and Senior Highs (grades 9–12), will meet today at 10:30 a.m. at the 737 building.

A **Family Night** of pumpkin decorating will take place on Friday, October 21 in Anderson Hall. Families with younger children may arrive at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be at 6:15 p.m. Families with older children are invited to arrive at 6:15 p.m.

A **Great Expectations Baby Shower** will take place on Sunday, October 30 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. RSVP to Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

A **Moms’ Group** for moms of children ages 5-12 meets the first and third Sunday of the month at 9:15 a.m. at Oak Tree (900 N. Michigan). For information, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

**Single parents** interested in forming a group to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting are invited to call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

## CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 16–22, 2011

### Sunday, October 16

7:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Conference Room	
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Matthew J. Helms preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Classes		The Clare
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Elevation, Fourth Church Rising, Senior Highs		737 Building
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John Buchanan preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life Class		The Clare
12:15 p.m.	New Members Brunch		Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	“Religion in Interfaith Homes”		<i>(see announcement)</i>
12:30 p.m.	ThirtiesForties: “Face-to-Face”	Calvin Room – 737 Building	
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		737 Building
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	<b>Judith L. Watt preaching</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Bible Study and Sermon Discussion		Sanctuary

### Monday, October 17

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer <i>(also Wednesday–Friday)</i>		Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring <i>(also Tuesday–Thursday)</i>		Anderson Hall

### Tuesday, October 18

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	“The King James Bible at 400”		<i>(see announcement)</i>

### Wednesday, October 19

8:00 a.m.	CLL Amish Acres Trip		<i>(see announcement)</i>
10:15 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class <i>(also Friday)</i>		737 Building

### Thursday, October 20

10:00 a.m.	CLL Men’s Discussion		737 Building
5:00 p.m.	T’ai Chi Class		737 Building

### Friday, October 21

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Superior Room – 737 Building	
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Sarah Marsh		Sanctuary
5:30 to 8:00 p.m.	Family Night		Anderson Hall

### Saturday, October 22

8:00 a.m.	“Living a Balanced Life”		737 Building
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Young Child Playgroup	Page Smith Room	
12:00 noon	Fall Festival at the Farm		444 W. Chicago

### **Preaching on Sunday, October 23**

Victoria G. Curtiss preaching	8:00 a.m.
John Buchanan preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Adam H. Fronczek 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.