

October 23–29, 2011

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**FOURTH  
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# News and Opportunities

## ENRICHMENT

**New Academy for Faith and Life classes** begin today 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, meet at 9:30 a.m. “Understanding Arab Spring,” led by Azam Nizamuddin, and “At the Name of Jesus,” led by Tom Rook, meet at 11:00 a.m.

**Inquirers’ Class** offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which meets today from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

**New Testament scholar N. T. Wright** will speak about his two newest books published this month, *Simply Jesus* and *The Kingdom New Testament*, at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Monday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. To register for this free event, call Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364.

**Cornerstones** will gather for “New Research on Aging,” presented by Margaret Hellie Huyck, President of the Older Women’s League National Board of Directors, on Friday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. To register, call the Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

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

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**Today is the last day Tutoring Holiday Cards will be available** during Coffee Hour. 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.

**A letter urging Governor Quinn** to veto gambling expansion in Illinois is available for signing at the Mission Table during Coffee Hour.

**Chicago Shares voucher booklets** offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, stop by the Mission Table during Coffee Hour or call Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

**The Benevolent Guild** will gather on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Superior Room at the 737 building to create tray favors and stuffed animals for hospitalized children.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

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

**Fourth Church children and youth choirs** rehearse today, with Youth Choir at 9:30 a.m. in the Third-Floor Conference Room, Cherub Choir at 10:30 a.m. in the Dining Room, and Children's Choir at 11:00 a.m. in the Third-Floor Conference Room. Rehearsals for the fall musical are held at 12:00 noon in the sanctuary.

**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 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.

**This year's children's musical, 100% Chance of Rain**, will take place on Friday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are invited.

**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.

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**A Sacred Spaces tour of Fourth Church** will take place today from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Representatives from the church will be available to host tours and answer questions.

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

*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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**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](http://covnetpres.org).

**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](mailto:aelskus@fourthchurch.org)).

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

**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** remains unavailable for drop-offs while the City of Chicago undertakes sewer improvement work. The number of lanes in use on Michigan Avenue also continues to be limited.

**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. A receipt will be printed immediately.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Organist John W. W. Sherer**, Music Director and Organist at Fourth Church, 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.

## **ANNUAL APPEAL**

**Next week is Commitment Sunday**, when all are encouraged to make their pledges toward the 2012 Annual Appeal for Fourth Church and Chicago Lights so we can faithfully plan and budget for 2012. Giving response cards have been sent to member homes and are also available in the pew racks, online, and in Coffee Hour. For information, stop by Coffee Hour or call Kathryn Johnson, Associate Director for Development Relations, at 312.640.2576.

## **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

### ***Current Volunteer Needs***

**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

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

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

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

**Silent auction assistants** for Carnaval 2012, the annual Mission Benefit, on Friday, March 2.

### ***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

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

## **WORSHIP**

**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 this Friday, October 28. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

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

**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**

**Young Adults** meet today at 12:30 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building for fellowship and discussion. They will also gather for a Halloween Party on Thursday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Declan’s Pub.

**The Sewing and Knitting Group** will gather this Tuesday, October 26 at 5:00 p.m. in the Ontario Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building.

**Fourth for Bridge**, a fellowship group for experienced bridge players, will meet on Saturday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. To RSVP, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org) by 12:00 noon on Friday, November 4.

## CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 23–29, 2011

### Sunday, October 23

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>Victoria G. Curtiss 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 Classes		The Clare
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.	Inquirers' Class		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering		737 Building
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Sacred Spaces Tour		Sanctuary
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	<b>Adam H. Fronczek 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 24

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 25

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Group	Ontario Room – 737 Building	

### Wednesday, October 26

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Superior Room – 737 Building	
10:15 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class <i>(also Friday)</i>		737 Building

### Thursday, October 27

5:00 p.m.	T'ai Chi Class		737 Building
7:00 p.m.	Young Adults Halloween Party		<i>(see announcement)</i>

### Friday, October 28

10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Superior Room – 737 Building	
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John W. W. Sherer		Sanctuary
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk		Anderson Hall
<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Taizé</b>		<b>Sanctuary</b>

### Saturday, October 29

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Young Child Playgroup		Page Smith Room
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### *Preaching on Sunday, October 30*

Joyce Shin 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.