

A LIGHT IN THE CITY
FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
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October 8–14, 2006

News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

This is the last Sunday voter registration is available during Coffee Hour.

Information about school finance reform in Illinois is available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

“School Funding Reform: The Candidates’ Perspectives,” a public forum hosted by Fourth Church, will take place this Monday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Representatives for the gubernatorial candidates will share proposals for funding public education in Illinois.

A Caregiving Luncheon for care friends providing or receiving care will be Saturday, October 14 at 11:00 a.m. RSVP by calling the COA at 312.981.2286.

The 2006 Crop Walk will take place next Sunday, October 15. The kickoff is at 2:00 p.m. at UIC. For more information, to make a donation, or to register for the walk, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or visit www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html.

An Inconvenient Truth will be shown Sunday, October 15 at 4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall as part of a film series sponsored by the Mission Committee.

Chicago Lights Holiday Cards are available during Coffee Hour and at www.fourthchurch.org.

October 22 is the deadline for the Fourth Church mission trip to New Orleans (December 27–January 3). For more information and an application form, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or visit www.fourthchurch.org.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a group for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room for a time of fellowship and to greet new Pastoral Resident Hardy Kim.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of gays, lesbians, and friends, meets today at 12:30 p.m. for brunch at Mike Ditka’s.

Fourth Dimension, a group of individuals over 50, will meet on Friday, October 13 for a program on Thomas Dorsey by the Pilgrim Baptist Choir. Tim Samuelson, a cultural historian, will speak about the history and structure of the Pilgrim Baptist congregation. All are welcome at 6:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. RSVP by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

Fourth Hoops, a new program offering basketball and a time for fellowship, will take place every Thursday, beginning November 2, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Northwestern University Athletic Club gym (850 N. Lakeshore Drive). All are welcome. For more information, contact Hardy Kim at the church at 312.274.3834 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

NEWS AND RESOURCES

John Vest will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament and installed as Associate Pastor of Youth Ministry on Sunday, October 15 during the 6:30 p.m. Vespers service. Christine Chakoian will be preaching.

A T'ai Chi class will be held at Chicago Sinai Congregation on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. beginning October 12. To register, call Terrill L. Stumpf at the church at 312.981.3396.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

ENRICHMENT

Today's adult education opportunities, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "**Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Life Together**," taught by Rosemary and Robert Keller (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), and "**Wrestling with Scripture**," taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m.; "**Mindfulness: An Introduction to Tich Nhat Hanh**," taught by Carol Allen (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), and "**School Funding Reform**," led by guest speakers (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 11:00 a.m. "**Brueggemann on the Psalms and Prophets**," taught by Adam Fronczek, meets Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Riad Jarjour, the General Secretary of the Middle East Council of Churches, will discuss issues facing Christian churches in the Middle East today at 3:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room.

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.
Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet for breakfast on Saturday, October 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Judith Valente, PBS-TV's *Religion and Ethics* broadcaster, and Charles Reynard, a Circuit Court judge, both published poets, will speak on the topic, "Touching the Sacred through Poetry." RSVP by 12:00 noon on October 13 by calling 312.787.4570. All are welcome.

"The Power of Knowledge: Lupus and Rheumatoid Arthritis Therapies,"

a seminar cosponsored by the Center for Whole Health, will be offered on Wednesday, October 18 from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. To register, call 312.372.2080 or visit www.arthritis.org.

Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, October 18 at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at 312.640.5495.

Giving to God: The Bible's Good News about Living a Generous Life by Mark Allan Powell will be discussed by the Community Book Group on Thursday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to this discussion. For more information, call Joyce Shin at 312.573.3360.

Harvey Cox, prolific author and professor at the Harvard Divinity School, will speak on "Jesus and the Moral Life: WWJD" on Tuesday, October 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary as part of McCormick Theological Seminary's annual McCormick Days.

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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“Discerning the Call: Ordination and Mutual Forbearance,” a conference offered by the Covenant Network, will take place November 9–11 at Broad Street Presbyterian Church in Columbus, Ohio. For more information, pick up a brochure from the literature racks.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Sunday school meets today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

Fourth Church Rising (Confirmation) returns from a weekend retreat at 4:00 p.m. today.

Elevation (grades 6–8) Sunday School meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow’s Nest followed by fellowship at 10:30 a.m.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 12:00 noon in the Crow’s Nest.

A six-week Mandarin Chinese class for children and adults who want to learn the language begins today at 11:00 a.m. in the Tutoring Library.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Volunteer Needs

Assistants for Kids’ Cafe, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week

Tutors for children in a Fourth Church program on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Men’s fall and winter clothing in large and extra-large sizes

Cell phones, empty toner and ink cartridges to recycle to benefit a nonprofit agency serving homeless and formerly homeless women

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson at the church at 312.981.3382.

WORSHIP

A Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside the chapel or they can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

Morning prayer is held each weekday at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, October 27.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Dave Brubeck and the Dave Brubeck Quartet will be in concert on Wednesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. The quartet will be joined by the Fourth Church Morning Choir and Tower Brass. Tickets are available during Coffee Hour, by calling the church at 312.787.2729, ext. 216 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., or by visiting www.ticketweb.com.

The Choir of Norwich Cathedral will be in concert on Wednesday, October 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The children’s musical, which brings the story of David and Goliath to life, will be performed Friday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 21 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Passionate Focus 2006, a juried exhibition of works by artists with vision loss, is on display through November 15. This exhibition is sponsored by the Guild for the Blind.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 8–14, 2006

Sunday, October 8

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Dana Ferguson preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Fourth Church Rising	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Dana Ferguson preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Elevation Sunday School	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
9:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Elevation Fellowship	Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Dana Ferguson preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
11:00 a.m.	Mandarin Chinese Class	Tutoring Library
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
3:00 p.m.	Discussion with Raid Jarjour	Page Smith Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers John H. Boyle preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

Monday, October 9

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Blair Chapel
4:00 to dark	Community Garden Hours (Mon., Wed., Fri.)	Chicago Avenue Garden
7:00 p.m.	Public Forum: "School Funding Reform"	Anderson Hall

Tuesday, October 10

6:30 p.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall S. Balcony
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Wednesday, October 11

9:00 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
7:30 p.m.	Concert: Dave Brubeck	Sanctuary

Thursday, October 12

3:30 p.m.	T'ai Chi Class	<i>(see announcement)</i>
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, October 13

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Gaudete Brass Quintet	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Anderson Hall

Saturday, October 14

8:00 a.m.	Men's Group Breakfast	Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Caregiving Luncheon	Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours	Chicago Avenue Garden

Preaching on Sunday, October 15

John M. Buchanan	8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Christine Chakoian	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.