

A LIGHT IN THE CITY
FOURTH
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CHURCH
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October 29–November 4, 2006

News and Opportunities

STEWARDSHIP

Next Sunday, November 5, is Commitment Sunday. As of Tuesday, October 24, we have received a total of 350 pledges totaling more than \$1.1 million toward our goal of \$3 million. Thank you for your faithful pledges! If you have not yet returned your completed pledge card, please place it in the offering plate next Sunday morning. Cards are available in the pew racks and on the church website. For more information about the 2007 Stewardship campaign, call Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

All are invited to the Kids' Fall Festival at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden today. There will be costumes, carnival games, a moonwalk, and food at the garden site (Chicago Ave. and Hudson) from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Flu shots will be given at Fourth Church on Friday, November 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There is a \$20 administration fee for the immunizations payable to the American Lung Association of Metropolitan Chicago. (Medicare beneficiaries are asked to bring their Medicare Card.) No reservations are required. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/health.html.

A support group for those dealing with loss and grief will be held on Tuesday evenings, beginning November 7, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. For more information and to register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

The annual Covenant Network Conference will be held November 9–11 in Columbus, Ohio. Please keep John Buchanan and all other conference participants in your prayers as they come together to study and discuss the theme “Discerning the Call: Ordination and Mutual Forbearance.” For information about the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, a broad-based, national group of clergy and lay leaders working for a church that is simultaneously faithful, just, and whole, visit www.covenantnetwork.org.

On National Organ Donor Sabbath, November 12, a community forum to provide current information about becoming an organ/tissue donor and about the new donor law will be offered twice, at 10:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., in the Lower Level Activity Center.

Questions about Project Light can be directed to the Project Light Leadership Team by leaving questions in the Project Light box during Coffee Hour or by e-mailing questions to ProjectLight@fourthchurch.org.

WORSHIP

Teri Peterson, a member of Fourth Church, will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament during tonight's 6:30 p.m. Vespers service.

November 5 is All Saints' Sunday, 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 2006 will be read during morning worship. In the evening, the Morning Choir will sing *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré during Vespers.

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.

There will be no Taizé service in November. The next service will be held on Friday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Smorgasbord of Schools takes place next Sunday, November 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Stop by to learn about public, private, and parochial education opportunities.

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

Fourth Church Rising (Confirmation) meets today at 9:00 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

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

An intergenerational Mandarin Chinese class continues today at 11:00 a.m. in the Tutoring Library.

ENRICHMENT

Today's adult education opportunities, offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, are "**Dietrich Bonhoeffer and The Cost of Discipleship**," taught by Paul Bischoff (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), and "**Wrestling with Scripture**," taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m. and "**Portraits of Christ**," taught by Tom Rook (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), at 11:00 a.m.

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 Multi-Cultural Enrichment

Committee will host a luncheon forum on Sunday, November 5 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss the topic of racial ethnic diversity at Fourth Church. RSVP by November 1 by calling Sheila Cotter at 312.573.3366. All are invited.

"Books by Women" will discuss *Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith* by Anne Lamott on Tuesday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

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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The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet next on Saturday, November 11 at 8:00 a.m. Breakfast will be provided by Dominick's, whose president, Don Keprta, will speak on "Corporate Responsibility to the Community." RSVP by November 9 by calling 312.787.4570.

FELLOWSHIP

The College Connection Group meets today at 12:00 noon at the Chestnut Street entrance to help with the Chicago Avenue Community Garden Kids' Fall Festival.

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 invited. For more information, call Hardy Kim at the church at 312.274.3834.

Cornerstones, a group of couples over 50, will meet on Friday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Loyola University Museum of Art for a private tour of the exhibit "The Missing Peace: Artists Consider the Dalai Lama." RSVP by calling the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

Fourth Couples will meet on Friday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

Fourth Dimension, a group of individuals over 50, will meet on Friday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. Bishop Tom Gumbleton will speak on "Abolishing War." RSVP by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494. All are invited.

The Community Book Group will meet on Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. Adam Fronczek will lead the discussion on *The Sparrow* by Mary Doria Russell.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The "Christmas Wishes" gift project, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, collects holiday gifts for more than 700 children in need. Beginning next Sunday, November 5, wish lists will be available during Coffee Hour and by calling Lisa Cochrane at 312.640.5495.

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

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

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.

"A Chanticleer Christmas" concerts will be Wednesday and Thursday, November 29 and 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets, which are usually sold out by early November, are available by contacting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at 312.294.3000 (www.cso.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Volunteer Needs

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

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

RNs and hosts to assist with flu shots on November 3 and December 3

Current Donation Needs

Men's winter clothing, sizes L and XL
Dinette set for a family in need

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.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 29–NOVEMBER 4, 2006

Sunday, October 29

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan 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	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminister 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	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminister 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.	College Connection Group		Chestnut Street Entrance
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, October 30

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Blair Chapel
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Wednesday, November 1

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, November 2

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Fourth Hoops	<i>(see announcement)</i>

Friday, November 3

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Flu Shots	Anderson Hall
10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Svetlana Popova, piano	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Couples	Randolph Room
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	<i>(see announcement)</i>

Saturday, November 4

1:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Kids' Fall Festival	Chicago Avenue Garden
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Preaching on Sunday, November 5

John M. Buchanan	8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Patrick Daymond	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.