

News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Meet the designers of the Chicago Lights Holiday Cards during Coffee Hour today. Card sales provide education and support to more than 400 students in the Chicago Lights Tutoring Program.

Today the new class of Ferguson Fellows will be introduced in Coffee Hour following 11:00 worship: Tietl Gonzalez, Dejah Johnson, and Sharidan Rickmon. Tushawn Trimble continues as a Second Year Fellow. The Ferguson Fellows program, established to honor the life of former Executive Associate Pastor Dana Ferguson, was fully endowed this year. It provides funds and other educational tools for Fellows, who are also Chicago Lights Tutoring students, to encourage successful completion of ninth grade and ongoing support throughout the high school years.

A November Food Drive for residents of the Studios is underway. Nonperishable food donations may be dropped off at the Mission table during Coffee Hour, where a list of most-needed items is available.

Today a documentary portraying the humanitarian crisis in North Korea will be shown in the Randolph Room following 11:00 worship. This showing of *Hiding* is sponsored by the Mission Committee.

Cleanup Day at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm will be held this Saturday, November 20, which is the last day of Farm Stand and Open Volunteer Hours. The Urban Farm will, however, remain open to farm staff this winter. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

Attending a Chicago Human Rhythm Project performance November 26–28 will support the mission and ministry of Chicago Lights. For tickets and information, visit www.chicagolights.org.

Applications for the 2011 Cuba and Colombia mission trips are due this December; trip information is available in the literature racks and online.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Snow Goose by Paul Gallico will be presented as a dramatic reading today at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

"Peaceable Kingdom," art by Chicagoan David Lee Csicsko, is now on exhibition in the Loggia. An artist open house and gallery talk will be held Wednesday, November 17, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Loggia.

All are invited to join the choirs in caroling on the church steps at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 20 as part of the Michigan Avenue Lighting Festival.

THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Dinner tickets are available today during Coffee Hour and during the week, at the reception desk. This traditional dinner will be served in Anderson Hall at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 25.

The annual Thanksgiving Day Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 21 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Matthew United Methodist Church at 1000 N. Orleans (at Oak Street).

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship will be held on Tuesday, November 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Church (not Holy Name Cathedral, as was publicized elsewhere); Chicago Sinai Congregation, Holy Name Cathedral, and Fourth Church will be participating.

Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary on Thursday, November 25. Sarah Johnson will be preaching.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

The "Christmas Wishes" gift project collects gifts for more than 700 children who might not otherwise receive them. Wish lists are available during Coffee Hour or by contacting Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

"Operation Christmas Gift Bag" provides holiday gifts for Sunday Night Supper guests. Instructions and a bag, to decorate and fill, are available during Coffee Hour. Filled bags are to be returned to the reception desk by Monday, December 6. 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 Advent book study of Watch for the Light will begin Sunday, November 28 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room and will be hosted by the Young Adults and ThirtiesForties fellowship groups.

An Advent Wreath Workshop for children and families will be held on Sunday morning, November 28 in the Activity Center. For details, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

A contemplative Advent retreat, led by Vicky Curtiss, will be held December 3–4 at the Cenacle. Registration is due Sunday, November 21. Details are available in the literature racks or by calling Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815.

A Fair Trade Gift Bazaar will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 4 and 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall to benefit impoverished families around the world.

Chanticleer will perform their annual Christmas concerts at Fourth Church on Monday, December 6 and Tuesday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available through the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (www.cso.org; 312.294.3000).

ENRICHMENT

Academy for Faith and Life adult education courses meet this morning at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Anderson Hall Balconies. For specific course listings, see the calendar on page 4 of this insert.

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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Men's Bible Study meets this Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

A book conversation with Chicago Sinai Congregation members will be held Tuesday, November 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. The topic of discussion, led by Rabbi Levinsky and Joyce Shin, will be Philip Roth's *Nemesis*.

"This I Believe," an evening with Bob Edwards, public radio host, will be held Wednesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Tickets are available at www.wbez.org (enter FPC for discount).

A Fourth Church study tour of the Holy Land will be led by Adam Fronczek and John Vest next June. For details, contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398.

FELLOWSHIP

Young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five are invited to join in a WhirlyBall outing today; participants will meet at 12:20 p.m. in the Randolph Room before traveling to WhirlyBall.

Today the ThirtiesForties fellowship group will gather at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse to view and discuss a video.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Tutors for Monday and Thursday nights
Greeters, ushers, and hostesses for
annual Thanksgiving Gospelfest;
Sunday, November 21 at 3:30 p.m.
Clothes sorters on Mondays and Fridays

Current Donation Needs
Men's sturdy winter clothes in larger sizes (pants, belts, shoes, etc.)

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

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.

All are invited to the ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament of Fourth Church member Polly Toner this evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Morning Prayer is held each weekday at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is held at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel and offers an opportunity to pray for those in need.

The monthly Taizé service will not be held in November. The next Taizé service will be held on New Year's Eve at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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.

Sunday School classes meet today at 9:30 and 11:00 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 in the Crow's Nest. Afterwards, the monthly Youth and Family Luncheon will held at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 14-20, 2010

Sunday, November 14	
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Calum I. MacLeod preaching Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Giggles for God Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Calum I. MacLeod 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.	Coffee Hour 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 Calum I. MacLeod preaching Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	"Institutes of the Christian Religion" Anderson Hall South Balcony
11:00 a.m.	"Introduction to the Hebrew Bible" Anderson Hall North Balcony A
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School Westminster House
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Youth and Family Luncheon Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Hiding Documentary Randolph Room
12:20 p.m.	The Gathering (see announcement)
12:30 p.m.	ThirtiesForties Manse
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts Presents <i>The Snow Goose</i> Activity Center
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship John W. Vest preaching Sanctuary
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