

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

On this All Saints' Sunday we also remember with gratitude those who have gone before us and remembered in their planned giving those who would follow them in ministry here at Fourth Church. For information about including Fourth Church in your planned giving, please call Katy Frey Bever at 312.981.3380.

The first-floor restrooms in the Gratz Center are now available for use on Sundays, as the temporary restroom trailer that had been accessible from the Narthex has been removed.

The Dedication and Official Opening of the Gratz Center will take place on Sunday, November 18 at 12:15 p.m. The event will also include celebrating with John and Sue Buchanan the dedication of the Buchanan Chapel.

The Pastor Nominating Committee's October update is posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/pnc.

Docent-led tours of the Gratz Center will be available on the following dates for all who are interested. They will be offered on Sundays, November 25 and December 2 and 9 at 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:15 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. They will also be offered on Saturday, December 1 between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and on Saturday, December 8 between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. No reservations are necessary for these tours.

REFLECTING THE LOVE OF GOD

Thank you to all who made a 2013 Annual Appeal pledge on or before Commitment Sunday. If you have not yet made your pledge, please take a moment to do so in the days ahead using the cards available in the pew racks or online at www.fourthchurch.org/giving/appeal.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes are held each week at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Two weeks from today we dedicate the Gratz Center

and begin using our wonderful new space. Online you can see photos of the building as it's progressed from ground-breaking to a nearly finished five-story home for the varied and vibrant programming going on here at the church. To view these photos and read about Fourth Church program opportunities, visit www.fourthchurch.org.



The Smorgasbord of Schools is today from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Dining Room. Families are invited to learn about elementary schools in Chicago.

A Gratz Center Family Night, complete with a scavenger hunt, will take place on Friday evening, November 16. Details are available online. RSVP to Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578 (dholladay@fourthchurch.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Workers to set up and take down
the Fair Trade Bazaar on Friday,

November 30 and Sunday, December 2
Sewers with machines to cut and hem
muslin panels to be used for the Gratz
Center Community Grand Opening
on Saturday, January 12

Substitute tutors and In2it Café leaders for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, one evening each week

Current Donation Needs
Men's winter clothes in larger sizes
(coats, sweaters, pants, etc.)

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (Inicholson@fourthchurch.org) or visit www.fourthchurch.org.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

This Saturday, Cuba trip applications are due. The application form and information about this early February trip are available in Coffee Hour and online. Information is also available about other 2013 trips, including the March trip to the Dominican Republic.

A screening of the documentary *Trigger:* The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence will be held this Wednesday, November 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

THANKSGIVING

The annual Thanksgiving Day Gospelfest, sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a participant, will be held Sunday, November 18 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 Tuesday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral (State and Superior). Chicago Sinai, Holy Name Cathedral, and Fourth Church will be participating, and Rabbi David Levinsky will preach.

Thanksgiving Day Worship at Fourth Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary on Thursday, November 22.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner tickets are available today and during the week at the reception desk. This traditional dinner will be served in Anderson Hall at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 22.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chicago Ensemble will perform a concert on Tuesday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available online at www.thechicagoensemble.org.

Handel's *Messiah*, sung by Bella Voce, will be performed on Sunday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available at www.bellavoce.org.

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago Church office: 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL 60611.2014; 312.787.4570 Phone extensions: 312.787.2729; Fax: 312.787.4584 "A Chanticleer Christmas" concert will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 4 and 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are only available at www.cso.org.

ENRICHMENT

The first Academy for Faith and Life classes in the Gratz Center will begin on Sunday, November 25. Details are available in the literature racks and online.

"Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry," led today by Calum MacLeod and next week by John Vest, takes place at 9:30 a.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson).

Men's Group will gather for a talk, led by Rabbi Ruth Durchslag, on Saturday, November 10 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. To RSVP, call 312.787.4570 by Wednesday, November 7.

FELLOWSHIP

A CLL Harvest Home luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 15 at 11:30 a.m. Adults sixty and more are invited to RSVP to Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 by Tuesday, November 6.

ADVENT

The "Christmas Wishes" gift project collects gifts for more than 700 children who might not otherwise receive them. Wish lists are available at Coffee Hour or by calling Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

"The Music and Meaning of Advent," an event hosted by the Academy for Faith and Life and Children and Family Ministry, invites adults and children to a reception and musical program on Wednesday, November 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Gratz Center.

The annual Fair Trade Bazaar, which benefits low-income families in developing countries, will be held on Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall and the Commons.

"Center Yourself for the Holidays," a mini retreat offered through the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, will take place on Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. To register (required), call 312.787.8425.

An Advent contemplative retreat, led by Associate Pastor Vicky Curtiss, will be held on Friday and Saturday, December 7–8 at The Well (1515 W. Ogden Ave., La Grange Park). To register, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

WORSHIP

Today 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 2012 will be read during today's worship services. Fauré's *Requiem* will be sung by the new Fourth Church Choral Society during a special Communion service of remembrance at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

"Tailgate Church," an experiment in taking church beyond the walls of our Sanctuary, will happen next Sunday, November 11 on the upper level of the Waldron Parking Deck at Soldier Field. Tailgating and fellowship will begin at 4:00 p.m., with John Vest and Hardy Kim leading a worship service with Communion at 6:00 p.m. All youth and adults are invited, whether they are attending the 7:20 p.m. Bears game or not. Tickets are not required for tailgating.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 4-10 2012

Sunday, November 4	Nursary Paga Smith Poom/Anda	rcon Hall C Balcony
7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m.	Nursery Page Smith Room/Ander Morning Worship Hardy H. Kim preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship James Forbes Jr. preaching	
9:30 a.m.	"Our Pastors and Their Call to Ministry"	The Clare
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.		or Conference Room
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Smorgasbord of Schools	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Youth Gathering	737 Building
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship James Forbes Jr. preaching	g Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal Third Flo	or Conference Room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Great Expectations Baby Shower	Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Organ Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	737 Building
4:00 p.m.	Jazz Worship Edwin Estevez preaching	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
7:00 p.m.	All Saints' Service with Fauré's Requiem	Sanctuary
Monday, November 5		
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Day School (also Tuesday–Friday)	Manse
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring (also Tuesday–Thursday)	Anderson Hall
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Randolph Room
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group	Counseling Center
Tuesday, November 6		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	"Reading the Bible in a Year" Bible Study	737 Building
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Preaching on Sunday, November 11

Judith L. Watt preaching 8:00 a.m.

Victoria G. Curtiss 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 \$8. 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 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.