

August 22–August 28, 2004

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Sunday parking rates at the 900 North Michigan garage have increased to \$7.50 for validated parking between 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please note that this validation is *only valid for three hours or less*. For parking exceeding three hours, the validation will not be honored and regular garage rates will apply. Tickets must be validated at the church—either in the Narthex, at Coffee Hour, or at the reception desk. Sunday parking also continues to be available at the Hancock garage at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. Other possible sources of discounted parking are being explored. Weekly rates at the 900 garage remain unaffected.

Have you met a homeless person you're not sure how to help? Pocket cards detailing the hours and services of the Elam Davies Social Service Center are now available. These cards, which are available from the receptionist or from the Chicago Lights table at Coffee Hour, can be used to give to those in need.

If you are not a registered voter, please stop by the table provided for voter registration during Coffee Hour. If you are planning to vote in person, no ID is required to register; however, you must take ID with you when voting. If you are planning to vote absentee, you must provide two forms of ID (one of which must be a picture ID) when registering.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and the literature racks. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry of this congregation. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church office.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For more information about this volunteer choir, call John Sherer at the church at 312.981.3592.

Outdoor concert in the Garth take place Friday afternoons at 12:10 p.m. throughout August. This week's free concert, the last of this season, will feature jazz vocalist Dawn Holt Lauber.

Fourth Acts will perform "Plays, Scripture, and Theological Surprises!" August 29 at 3:00 p.m. at Chiesa Nuova (230 S. Laflin). Please support the group in their venture to use fine arts as an avenue of healing, unity, and religious enrichment. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call Sheila Cotter at the church at 312.5373366.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes do not meet today. Classes will resume at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 12.

Junior (grades 6–8) and **Senior Highs** (grades 9–12) meet today for 9:30 worship before heading to Great America Six Flags. The group will return to the church by 7:00 p.m.

The Youth Kick-Off is scheduled for Sunday, September 12 from 12:15 to 2:00 p.m. RSVP by Sunday, September 5 to Liz Thomson at the church at 312.640.2576 (lthomson@fourthchurch.org).

FELLOWSHIP

Venture Fourth, a group for single adults, meets today at 11:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room for spiritual reflection and fellowship.

The Center for Older Adults Summer Film Series takes place August Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. All are welcome to enjoy a bag lunch and the featured film.

Young Adults (20s and 30s) are invited to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

ENRICHMENT

The John Knox Bible Study Class, now in its eightieth year, is the oldest continuous Bible study in the city of Chicago. Led by Fourth Church member Tassos Malliaris and combining lecture and discussion, it meets each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

Noonday Bible Study meets each Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

“Navigating Career Transition” is the topic of a weekly series on practical tools, tips, and motivation for employment held on Wednesdays at 7:45 a.m. in the Dining Room. This week’s presentation, the last of this series, is “Networking for Impact.” For more information, contact Carol Allen at the church at 312.640.5398.

Barbara Brown Taylor, one of the country’s most accomplished preachers, will speak on “Faith on Edge” on Thursday, September 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Palmer House Hilton. Tickets for this dinner and lecture event, hosted by the *Christian Century*, are available for \$125 each by contacting the *Century* (events@christiancentury.org) at 312.263.7510. Seating is limited; reservation deadline is Friday, September 3.

“Your Particular Grief” is the title of a six-week seminar offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center that will take place Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, September 14. Reservations must be made by Friday, September 10; for more information or to register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

Fourth Church Men’s Group begins a new season of breakfast meetings Saturday, September 11 at 8:00 a.m. John Buchanan will lead a discussion on the relationship between religion and politics and bring an update on Project Light. Reservations for breakfast are required; to register, call 312.787.4570 by noon on September 10.

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 Smoking Cessation Program, sponsored by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Church, will meet for eight weeks from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. starting September 23. Registration is required. Call Terrill L. Stumpf at the church at 312.981.3396 to register or for more information. Scholarships are available. A free information session with the instructor is scheduled for Thursday, September 9 at 6:00 p.m.

An eight-week T'ai Chi class, sponsored in part by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Church, will be held Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. beginning September 23. Space is limited and registration is required by September 13; call 312.981.3396 to register.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Women@Fourth Connect is collecting "back-to-school" supplies during the month of August to benefit children in local social service agencies and participants in the Partners in Education Tutoring Program. Donations will be taken during Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings or can be dropped off at the church reception desk. For more information, contact Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495 (lcochrane@fourthchurch.org).

Current Donation Needs

Donations toward 125 hot meals to be served at the Fourth Church—sponsored Monday night supper; donations may be made in memory or honor of loved ones

Baby and infant clothes, beds, bedding, stuffed animals, and strollers

Men's clothing, especially in big and tall sizes

Two-floor dumb waiter in good condition

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children from Cabrini-Green and Henry Horner homes, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. one evening a week at Fourth Church

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

Clothes sorters on Mondays for the Social Service Center's Share Shop

Fourth Church members to serve as sanctuary hosts Sunday afternoons and during the week

Fourth Church members to usher at Vespers once a month

Fourth Church member to purchase and cut bread for Vespers on the fourth Sunday of each month

Singers for the Chancel (8:00 a.m.) and Vespers (6:30 p.m.) choirs

For more information, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Calling all tutors! Partners in Education is looking for tutors and students, past and present, who have stories or memories to share at the Tutoring Program's 40th Anniversary celebration. Please come to the Chicago Lights Table at Coffee Hour today and fill out a Tutor Story Card.

Shop 'til you Drop! Support Chicago Lights through a shopping benefit at Bloomingdale's. Tickets for up to twenty percent off at Bloomingdale's stores on September 1 are available at the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour or at the reception desk. All proceeds from ticket sales benefit Chicago Lights. Call Judith Moore at the church at 312.981.3566 for more information.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 22–AUGUST 28, 2004

Sunday, August 22			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Elizabeth Caldwell preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Elizabeth Caldwell preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Junior and Senior Highs		<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Elizabeth Caldwell preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Venture Fourth		Page Smith Room
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:00 p.m.	Children's Corner		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Service	David Aja-Sigmon preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Loggia
 Monday, August 23			
	The COA will be closed the week of August 30.		
7:00 to 9:00 a.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours (Monday–Friday)		Chicago Avenue Site
9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours (Monday–Friday)		Chicago Avenue Site
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach
 Tuesday, August 24			
11:30 a.m.	COA Film Series		Page Smith Room
 Wednesday, August 25			
7:45 a.m.	"Navigating Career Transitions"		Dining Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
 Friday, August 27			
12:10 p.m.	Free Noonday Concert: Dawn Holt Lauber, jazz vocalist		Garth
7:30 p.m.	Taize Service		Blair Chapel
 Saturday, August 28			
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site

Preaching on Sunday, August 29

Keith C. Harris	8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Carol J. Allen	6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.50 to 4:00 p.m. (validation is for three hours or less) and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.25.

Tickets must be validated during Coffee Hour or at the Chestnut Street reception desk.