



June 5–11, 2005

News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

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

“Looking beyond the Future,” a class offered by the Academy for Faith and Life, meets today at 11:00 a.m. in the Anderson Hall South Balcony.

“Safe Medication Practices and Safety in Health Care Settings,” a discussion offered by the Center for Whole Health, will take place this Tuesday, June 7 at 12:00 noon in the Dining Room. For more information, call Terrill Stumpf, Director of the Center, at 312.981.3396.

Books by Women, a monthly book group, will meet this Tuesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room. The topic of discussion will be *Truth and Beauty: A Friendship* by Ann Patchett. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495.

The Fourth Church Men’s Group will meet for breakfast this Saturday, June 11 at 8:00 a.m. Bob Bergstrom, former Lieutenant USNR and Staff Officer for Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz, will be speaking. Reserve a space by calling the church at 312.787.4570 by Friday, June 10. All are welcome.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Coffee Hour moves outdoors to the Garth today, weather permitting. All are encouraged to join in this time of fellowship and conversation.

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden opening celebration will be held this Saturday, June 11 at 12:00 noon at the Chicago Avenue site (between Hudson and Cleveland). An orientation session will also be held. For more information, pick up a brochure from the literature racks or visit www.fourthchurch.org/garden.html.

Come Garden at the Chicago Community Garden!

Beginning Monday, June 6, the Chicago Avenue site will be open for gardening during the following hours each week:

Weekdays: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

For children’s programming:

4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For information about the community gardens, contact Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369 (acrow@fourthchurch.org).

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Worship bags, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available outside the south transept doors, between the sanctuary and Anderson Hall. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to make use of these bags.

Children's Corner, a time of storytelling, takes place in Anderson Hall following the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services.

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

The Junior High Academy Class meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Junior Highs (grades 6–7) meets today at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 1:00 p.m. in the Crow's Nest.

Confirmation Class (grade 8) is invited to tonight's 6:30 p.m. Vespers service during which a fellow confirmand will be welcomed into membership.

Several families are in Saugatuck, Michigan, this weekend participating in the Fourth Church Family Camp led by Donna Gray, Alice Trowbridge, and Beverly Escuder.

To schedule a baptism, please call Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578. Available times for baptisms are often filled three to four months in advance, so please call as soon as possible after the child to be baptized is born.

Vacation Bible School will be held August 15–19. Children will experience a Serengeti Trek—"Where Kids Are Wild about God"—during the week's activities. Junior and senior high youth are encouraged to volunteer as crew leaders. Register soon (there is already a wait list for the preschool class) by picking up a form from the literature racks in Westminster House. For more information, contact Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578 (jschiltz@fourthchurch.org).

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, the Young Adults weekly fellowship opportunity, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

The Fourth Dimension, a gathering of individuals age 50 and over, will meet this Friday, May 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse for a presentation by Dirk Ficca, Executive Director of the Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions. RSVP by this Wednesday, June 8 by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of Fourth Church gays, lesbians, and their friends, will meet for brunch next Sunday, June 12 at 12:30 p.m. For details, call the Fourth Forum Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Oboist Tim Sawyer will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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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VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Sandwich makers on the second Sunday of the month after 11:00 worship or on the last Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

Tennis Camp coaches and helpers

Mondays and Wednesdays, June 20–July 20, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Amateur flower arrangers for a Fourth Church program

Volunteers on July 9 to assist a nonprofit agency that provides free and low-cost clothes to women reentering the workforce

Receptionists for a nonprofit children's music school

Cooks to prepare and deliver casseroles to homebound on as-needed basis

Care team member for person living in zip code 60626

Current Donation Needs

New children's games and toys to be used as prizes in Fourth Church's Reading Readiness program

Palm Pilots (with pens and adapters) in working order for children in the Fourth Church Job Training program

Men's white T-shirts in large sizes and in good condition, men's socks

Gently used children's books

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

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Interested in becoming involved with Habitat for Humainty? Fourth Church volunteers plan to help Habitat for Humanity build two homes this summer. Presentations explaining this project take place in the Page Smith Room following each of this morning's worship services.

Each year thousands of Americans with mental illnesses cycle through the criminal and juvenile justice systems, punished for the mental health system's failure to provide services that can help them lead more successful lives in the community. Letters to encourage the funding of these services are available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

The Hunger Walk, sponsored by the Greater Chicago Food Depository, will take place Saturday, June 18. All the money raised by walkers registered through Fourth Church will directly support the Elam Davies Social Service Center, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church. To sign up, stop by the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour or contact Vicki Reynolds at the church at 312.981.3385.

Those interested in traveling to Northern Ireland as part of the Fourth Church/Old St. Patrick's mission trip (October 21–30) are asked to turn in their application by Tuesday, July 5. Details about this and other Fourth Church-sponsored mission trips are available in brochures in the church literature racks or by contacting Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384.

The Fourth Church Children's Center provides full-day child care for 50 children from infancy through age five and is staffed by professionals from Bright Horizons Childcare. For information about the Center, call Dana Cruz at 312.640.3954.

The Fourth Church Day School offers a half-day preschool program for three- and four-year-olds as well as a morning Twos-and-Parents program for children between 24 and 36 months. For information about the Day School, call Jill Schiltz at the church at 312.640.2578.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 5-11, 2005

Sunday, June 5		
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	Garth
9:15 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity Discussion	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Dana Ferguson preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Academy Class	Large Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs	Crow's Nest
10:45 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity Discussion	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Dana Ferguson preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Parish House
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity Discussion	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs	Crow's Nest
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Keith C. Harris preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall
 Monday, June 6		
9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday-Friday)	Stone Chapel
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours (Monday-Friday)	Chicago Avenue Gardens
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
 Tuesday, June 7		
12:00 p.m.	"Safe Medication Practices" Seminar	Dining Room
6:00 p.m.	"Books by Women" Book Group	Large Conference Room
 Wednesday, June 8		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
 Friday, June 10		
10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Tom Sawyer, oboe	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	The Fourth Dimension	Manse
6:00 p.m.	ADD Recovery Group	Page Smith Room
 Saturday, June 11		
8:00 a.m.	Men's Group Breakfast	Dining Room
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Special Gardening Hours	Chicago Avenue Gardens
12:00 p.m.	Cabrini Community Garden Celebration	Chicago Avenue Gardens

Preaching on Sunday, June 12

Calum I. MacLeod 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Alice M. Trowbridge 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. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.00. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.