

July 24–30, 2005

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News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Judith Schneider will be retiring at the end of this month after serving on the Fourth Church staff for twenty-five years. She has been a part of the Fourth Church family since she and her parents, Dr. Elam and Grace Davies, moved into the Manse in 1961. During her time on staff, Judith has shared her gifts in a variety of ways, including working as a counselor with the Counseling Center and as a social worker with Congregational Care. Please join us in Anderson Hall today after 11:00 worship for a special reception celebrating the many gifts Judith has brought to this congregation and community. We wish her well as she moves on to pursue her writing full-time and enjoy more time with her grandson.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and the literature racks. Forms can also be downloaded from www.fourthchurch.org/nominating.html. 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.

For those looking to learn more about Fourth Church or considering membership, an Inquirers' Class will be held today at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information about future times for this one-session class, see page 2 of the worship bulletin.

Privacy laws can make it difficult for congregations to inquire of some hospitals regarding members who are patients. Fourth Church pastors want to be available to members and their loved ones at such times. To notify the church of hospitalizations, please contact Carol Allen at the church at 312.640.5398.

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.

Walter Brueggemann, preacher, professor, and author of several theological works, will speak on "Some Theses on the Bible in the Church" on Thursday, September 29 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 \$150 each by contacting the *Century* at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

We keep in our thoughts and prayers those travelers who are currently in Cameroon as part of the Fourth Church mission trip to that country. The group will return to the United States next Sunday. For information about participating in Fourth Church mission trips, contact Vicki Reynolds at the church at 312.981.3384.

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden is open for gardening during the following hours each week:
Weekdays: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
For information about the community gardens, pick up a brochure from the literature racks, contact Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369, or www.fourthchurch.org/garden.html.

The Care Team Ministry at Fourth Church seeks to match those who are facing difficult times with those who have practical gifts to offer. Acting as a team, volunteers contribute their time and talents in a coordinated effort to meet the needs of care receivers. For more information about receiving care or about volunteering, call Carol Allen, Associate Pastor, at 312.640.5398 or Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, the Young Adults weekly fellowship opportunity, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Young adults are invited to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach on summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors and chaperones for a Summer

Day outings to the Children's Museum, August 1

Vacation Bible School volunteers,

August 15–19, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Fourth Church members to teach

Sunday School on alternate Sundays at 9:30 or 11:00 throughout the school year

Fourth Church members to serve as

Vespers ushers on a rotating schedule

Volunteers on August 13 to assist a

nonprofit agency that provides free and low-cost clothes to women entering the workforce

Docents for a Fourth Church art display, through August 20

Current Donation Needs

Men's clothing in L, XL, and XXL sizes

Men's socks

Portable easels for a nonprofit agency

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

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

“Ordained to Create: The Self-Taught Art of Southern Preachers, Prophets, and Visionaries,” an exhibit from CIVA (Christians in the Visual Arts), is on display in the Loggia through August 20.

Outdoor concerts in the Garth take place each Friday at 12:10 p.m. throughout July and August. This week's free concert will feature Libby York, a jazz vocalist. A schedule of upcoming concerts is available in the literature racks.

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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WORSHIP

A Vespers Communion service is held each Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sunday mornings. Individuals can leave 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 morning at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, August 26.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

Printed copies of recent Sunday morning sermons are available in the literature racks. Sermons are also available in audio and print formats (including Vespers sermons) at www.fourthchurch.org.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

To notify the church of births and adoptions or for information about baptisms, call Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578.

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

Children's Corner, a time of storytelling, takes place today and throughout the summer following the 9:30 worship service.

Junior Highs (grades 6–7) meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Crow's Nest for a pizza lunch before going to a movie. The group will return to the church at 3:45 p.m.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meets today at 12:30 p.m. by the Chestnut Street entrance to go to lunch and a movie. The group will return to the church at 5:00 p.m.

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 by Monday, August 8 by picking up a form from the literature racks in Westminster House or downloading a form from www.fourthchurch.org. For more information, call Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578.

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. The Center is NAYCE accredited. There is currently space in the young preschool and preschool programs (ages 2–5) and in the junior kindergarten program (ages 4–5). For more information, call Dana Cruz at the Center at 312.640.3954.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 24–30, 2005

Sunday, July 24

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
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminister House
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Junior Highs		Crow's Nest
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Senior Highs		Chestnut Street Entrance
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Carol J. Allen preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, July 25

9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours (Monday–Friday)		Chicago Avenue Gardens
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, July 26

11:30 a.m.	COA Noon Program		Page Smith Room
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Wednesday, July 27

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
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Thursday, July 28

5:30 p.m.	Attention Deficit Disorder Recovery Group		Anderson Hall N. Balcony
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Friday, July 29

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Libby York, jazz vocalist		Garth

Saturday, June 30

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Gardens
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Preaching on Sunday, July 31

Calum I. MacLeod	8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Polly Toner	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.