

July 13–July 19, 2008

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News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The annual “**Back-to-School Supply Drive,**” sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, has begun. Lists of needed supplies are available during Coffee Hour, in the literature racks, and at www.fourthchurch.org. These supplies, which will be collected through August, will be given to students who are connected with the Chicago Avenue Community Garden or are part of Chicago Lights Tutoring as well as those served by various community agencies. For more information, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or aellis@fourthchurch.org.

The Chicago Lights Annual Fund campaign has raised more than \$130,000 of its goal of \$320,000 thanks to over 400 donors. Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, between now and July 31 every dollar raised through an increased or new gift to the Chicago Lights Annual Fund will result in a matching gift, up to \$50,000, to the Chicago Lights education programs. Gifts can be designated to any program and made by using the envelopes in the pew racks, making a check payable to Chicago Lights, or giving online at www.chicagolights.org.

The next monthly cookout at the **Chicago Avenue Community Garden** will take place Saturday, July 26 at 12:00 noon. The garden is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The Reverend Vicky Curtiss, Associate Pastor for Mission, was elected at the July 6 congregational meeting. She will join the church staff in September.

Today an information session about General Assembly, presented by John Buchanan and others from Fourth Church who attended this biennial gathering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in San Jose, will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room.

A reception honoring Martha Langford will be held Sunday, July 20 during Coffee Hour. All are invited to greet Martha and thank her for her two years at Fourth Church as Pastoral Resident and wish her well in her new position as Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Evangelism at Third Presbyterian Church in Rochester, New York, where John Wilkinson is Pastor.

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

The Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org, makes available audio of the previous Sunday morning's worship service, including the sermon; sermon transcripts and the text from "Prayers of the People"; the text of worship bulletins and "News and Opportunities"; devotional resources; and programming information.

Gifts made by check to Fourth Presbyterian Church or Chicago Lights are being processed electronically by the Fourth Church accounting department. Because of this new process, your bank statement may report the check payment as "Electronic Funds Withdrawal or Transfer" rather than "Check Paid" (in which case you will not receive the cashed check back from your financial institution). The funds also may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day Fourth Church or Chicago Lights receives your check. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Radetski in Giving Ministries at 312.981.3380.

ENRICHMENT

The Chicago Lights Center for Life and Learning summer movie series features a free viewing of *Waitress* on Tuesday, July 15 at 11:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room, followed by discussion and treats.

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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An intergenerational luncheon to raise awareness about bone health will be held on Thursday, July 17 at 11:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony. Adults are invited to attend and socialize with students from Summer Day. Contact Denise Keane at 312.981.3387 to register.

A five-session series on travel writing, sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Life and Learning, begins Wednesday, July 30, at 10:30 a.m. For details contact Denise Keane at 312.981.3387.

Bible Study opportunities:
John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP

A day trip to Grand Rapids, Michigan, sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning, will take place Monday, July 14. Contact Denise Keane at 312.981.3387 to register.

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-two to thirty-five, will attend the General Assembly information session today at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. Young adults are also invited to join in **weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach** (6:00 p.m. on Mondays).

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Staff member Maxi-Madelynn Wood and Jerry Knight will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth, as part of the "Music by the Fountain" series. This weekly series will continue through August.

“Confirming Our Faith: Artistic Expressions of What My Faith Means to Me,” an exhibit created by members of Fourth Church Rising, the eighth-grade confirmands, is on display in the Gallery.

WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the boxes located outside Stone Chapel, at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour, at the reception desk, and in the Narthex. They also can pray together with the Deacon in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

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

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 opportunity to pray for those in need.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be Friday, July 25. It will be preceded by a meditative labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

There will be a Senior High Work Camp informational meeting for youth and parents on Sunday, July 20 at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow’s Nest. For information, contact Anita Bright at abright@fourthchurch.org.

Summer Sunday School for preschoolers through fifth graders meets at 9:30 a.m. There is expanded nursery care for infants through kindergartners at 11:00 a.m.

Vacation Bible School will take place August 11–15 this year. Application forms are available in Westminster House. Space is limited and will fill quickly. Youth are needed to serve as crew leaders. For details, contact Emilie Syberg at the church at 312.640.2578.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

People to collect, sort, and inventory donations for the Back-to-School Supply Drive during Coffee Hour (3 per shift) in July and August

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

People to bag groceries Sunday afternoons for the Social Service Center guests

Observers of exemplary teachers in Chicago Public Schools programs

Current Donation Needs

Items for the Back-to-School Supply Drive; lists are available at Coffee Hour

Cell phones and empty toner and ink cartridges, to be recycled by a nonprofit program benefiting women who are homeless

Personal items for a church family who lost everything in a fire; a list is available at the Volunteer table

Greeting cards and stamps for guests of Sunday and Monday night suppers, which serve those who are hungry or homeless

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

CALENDAR FOR JULY 13-JULY 19, 2008

Sunday, July 13

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		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Information Session on the General Assembly		Dining Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper		Dining Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary

Monday, July 14

8:15 a.m.	Day trip to Grand Rapids, Michigan	<i>(see announcement)</i>
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball	Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, July 15

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:30 a.m.	CLL Free Summer Movie: <i>Waitress</i>	Page Smith Room
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours (also Wednesday–Friday)	Community Garden

Wednesday, July 16

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class	Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, July 17

11:30 a.m.	Intergenerational Luncheon	Anderson Hall South Balcony
12:00 p.m.	Pathways to Wellness	Page Smith Room

Friday, July 18

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class	Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Maxi-Madelynn Wood and Jerry Knight	Garth

Saturday, July 19

9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours	Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, July 20

Alice M. Trowbridge	8:00 a.m.	
John M. Buchanan	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.	
Alice M. Trowbridge	6:30 p.m.	

Parking is available Sunday mornings at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, at the rate of \$7.00 for three hours 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. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.