

August 10–August 16, 2008

A LIGHT IN THE CITY
FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
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News and Opportunities

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Regular choir rehearsals will resume this fall; interested persons are invited to contact John Sherer at 312.981.3592 (jsherer@fourthchurch.org). Those interested in **joining a handbell choir** will find an information form in the literature racks and can contact Beverly Escuder at 312.981.3595 (bescuder@fourthchurch.org) for more details.

The Arlene Bardelle Duo will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth. The summer "Music by the Fountain" series will continue through August.

"**Images of Fourth Church,**" an exhibition featuring photography, paintings, and drawings of the church, is currently on display in the Loggia.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today there is a Senior High Work Camp informational meeting for youth and parents from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Crow's Nest. Lunch will be provided. Later in the afternoon the Senior Highs will go to Oak Street Beach, have dinner together, and enjoy a game of Rock Band at the Crow's Nest. Meet at the Reception Desk at 3:30 p.m.; the event will end at 8:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School takes place this week. The VBS chorus will sing the prelude at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, August 17.

New moms' groups are meeting in Lincoln Park and Lakeview on Monday and Tuesday mornings. Additionally, a **working moms' group** meets once a month on Monday evenings. For more information, e-mail newmomsgroup@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.

ENRICHMENT

"**Quick and Easy Meals,**" a cooking demonstration sponsored by the Chicago Lights Centers for Whole Health and Life and Learning, will take place Thursday, August 21 at 12:15 p.m. in the Fourth Church lower level kitchen.

A viewing and discussion of *Harry and Tonto*, a film about an elderly widower who is forced to leave his home against his will, will be held from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday August 28 in the Page Smith room. Those attending are invited to bring a bag lunch.

The Books by Women book group, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, will be discussing Nancy Horan's *Loving Frank: A Novel* Tuesday, September 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

The Family-to-Family Education Program is a twelve-week course for families and friends of adults living with mental illnesses. The first session is Monday, September 15 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. Registration for this free course is required; call the Family-to-Family Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 375.

An eight-session T'ai Chi course for beginners will help participants reduce stress and develop proper breathing and balance. The course will begin Thursday, September 18 at 5:00 p.m. For more information, call the T'ai Chi Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

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

WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in the 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.

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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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 an 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, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and reflection. The next service will be Friday, August 22. It will be preceded by a labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Those interested in volunteering as a tutor and mentor in the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, now in its forty-fourth year, are invited to attend one of three new-volunteer orientation sessions: Tuesday, September 9, Thursday, September 11, and Wednesday, September 17 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Alex Cornwell at 312.981.3565.

Visit the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (444 W. Chicago Avenue, between Cleveland and Hudson), open Tuesdays through Fridays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The next all-church cookout at the garden will be Saturday, August 22.

The annual "Back-to-School Supply Drive," sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, is underway. Full lists of needed supplies are available during Coffee Hour, in the literature racks, and at www.fourthchurch.org.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Marcus Borg will speak on “God’s Passion and the Passion of Jesus” at a Christian Century-sponsored dinner on Monday, September 29 at 6:00 p.m. at the Palmer House. For information about dinner ticket prices or to make reservations, call the Christian Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 or e-mail event@christiancentury.org.

A Wills Awareness Seminar about how to create a will is scheduled for Sunday, October 5 at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room. For more information or to RSVP, contact Cerry Letrich at 312.981.3381 (cletrich@fourthchurch.org).

Chicago Lights would like to thank those who donated to the Chicago Lights Annual Fund campaign. Thanks to the generosity of more than 650 donors, Chicago Lights secured the \$50,000 matching gift, raising more than \$260,000 of the \$320,000 goal. Gifts to the Chicago Lights Annual Fund are accepted throughout the year.

A trip to Maple Pointe Apartments, an active community for residents age fifty-five and older, is scheduled for Thursday, August 14 at 12:30 p.m. It will be preceded by a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at Fourth Church. Seats are limited; contact Denise Keane at 312.981.3387 to register.

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.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-five to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Young adults are also invited to join in **weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach** (6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays).

Fourth Forum, a gathering of Fourth Church gays, lesbians, and friends, will meet for a potluck on Saturday, August 23 at 6:30 p.m. in a member’s home. For more details, call the Fourth Forum Infoline 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Door monitors for Vacation Bible School
August 11–15

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and
Monday Night Suppers

Cooks for Sunday Night Supper

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

Current Donation Needs

Items for the Back-to-School Supply

Drive; full lists of items are available
at Coffee Hour

Infants’ and children’s clothes, toys,
strollers, cribs, car seats, and books,
to benefit the patients of a nonprofit
clinic

Clothes for a previously homeless

woman; a list of needs is available at
the Volunteer table

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 AUGUST 10–16, 2008

Sunday, August 10

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John W. Vest 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 W. Vest preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Senior Highs Work Camp Meeting		Crow's Nest
3:30 p.m.	Senior Highs		Reception Desk
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper		Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Jo Preuninger preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, August 11

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School (also Tuesday–Friday)		Westminster House
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, August 12

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours (also Wednesday–Friday)		Community Garden

Wednesday, August 13

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

Thursday, August 14

11:30 a.m.	Luncheon and trip to Maple Point Apartments		<i>(see announcement)</i>
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Friday, August 15

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class		Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Arlene Bardelle Duo		Garth

Saturday, August 16

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, August 17

Adam Fronczek 8:00 a.m.

Calum I. MacLeod 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Adam Fronczek 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.