

August 9–15, 2009

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News and Opportunities

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today the Senior Highs will travel to the Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, for their second summer work camp trip; they will return Saturday, August 15. Please keep these youth and their leaders in your thoughts and prayers as they work to improve the camps and participate in the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

Summer Sunday School for preschoolers through fifth graders meets at 9:30 a.m. Today is the last session for the summer; classes resume Sunday, September 13.

Vacation Bible School will take place Monday, August 17–Friday, August 21. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and at www.fourthchurch.org. Registration for grade school VBS will remain open until this Wednesday, August 12; preschool registration is full but there is a wait list. For more information, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which will meet this Saturday, August 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

To date we have received more than \$128,000 in response to the \$360,000 challenge fund launched in May. We are grateful to all who have given or pledged to the Annual Appeal for Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, to those who have increased their pledge or made additional gifts, and to those who have given or pledged for the first time. Together with the responses to this recent “Meeting the Challenge” fund, we have received \$4.2 million toward the \$5.1 million required for budget. Gifts to help meet the challenge and bridge the gap can be made by completing the response card in the pew racks, by visiting www.fourthchurch.org/2009challenge.html, or by contacting Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

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

For a preview of next Sunday's worship and news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter, News@FourthChurch, by sending email addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

In this economic climate, Fourth Church wants to remind all of the spiritual, emotional, and practical services available at the church. Those who would like information about available resources are encouraged to contact Ali Trowbridge, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org), call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a “Fourth Church Cares” card from the literature racks.

WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes, which are located outside Stone Chapel, in the Narthex, and in Anderson Hall.

An afternoon worship service including Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. After each 4:00 service, all are invited to share in a community meal in Anderson Hall.

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 each fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. Prior to the service, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., there is an opportunity to participate in a labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall. The next service will be Friday, August 28.

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

Ushers, readers, and musicians to help with 4:00 p.m. worship
Tutors for the Chicago Lights Tutoring program, which resumes in the fall; orientation is provided
Sunday morning driver to pick up produce from the 1558 N. Elston market for use at Community Supper

Current Donation Needs

Infants' and children's gently-used clothes, strollers, cribs, car seats, and books to benefit the patients of a nonprofit clinic
Boxes of disposable diapers for a child in need (Huggies Pull-Ups, size 4T–5T girls)
Household furnishings for a Cabrini-Green grandmother who lost many possessions in a fire
Items for the Back-to-School Supply Drive, including pencil/supply boxes, colored pencils (12-pack), rulers, large-display solar calculators, pointed scissors, pencil-top erasers; a full list is available in Coffee Hour

For details and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-two to thirty-five, meets Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Manse.

All are invited to the Back-to-School Cookout on Saturday, August 22 at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden.

ENRICHMENT

Sarah Johnson will lead today's John Knox Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. Next Sunday, August 16, Adam Fronczek will lead the discussion.

Noonday Bible Study meets Wednesdays in the Large Conference Room.

Healthful summer dishes will be the focus of a Center for Whole Health-sponsored cooking demonstration this Thursday, August 13 at 12:00 noon in the Page Smith Room. To register, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

"Splash Out: A Nia Community Class" will be offered on Saturday, August 15 at 10:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. To register for this one-session class, call the Nia Class Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371 or visit www.niachicago.com.

An excursion to the Bahá'í Temple in Wilmette, a trip sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning, will take place Thursday, August 20 at 10:00 a.m. All sixty and over are invited to this outing, which will be followed by a vegetarian luncheon in Evanston. To RSVP, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387.

Thomas Long, a widely admired preacher and influential teacher of preaching, will speak at the annual *Christian Century* lecture on Thursday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Club of Chicago (201 E. Ontario). A reception will follow the presentation. For ticket fee and reservation information, contact the Century at 312.263.7510, ext. 229 (event@christiancentury.org).

Books by Women will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 1 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *The Most Famous Man in America* by Deborah Applegate.

Fourth Church members and friends are invited to travel to Egypt on an educational tour led by Adam Fronczek January 10–24, 2010. Brochures are available in the literature racks and on the Fourth Church website. Those interested in applying should contact Adam Fronczek at 312.640.5398 (afronczek@fourthchurch.org).

The 2009 Parliament of the World's Religions will meet in Melbourne, Australia, this December. Those interested in joining Joyce Shin in traveling to the Parliament December 2–13 are asked to contact Joyce at 312.274.3835 (jshin@fourthchurch.org) before Monday, August 31.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The annual School Supply Drive, sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, is underway. Lists of needed supplies are available during Coffee Hour, in the literature racks, and online at www.fourthchurch.org. These supplies, which will be collected through Thursday, August 20, will be given to students who are involved in the Community Garden and the Tutoring programs as well as those served by various community agencies. See the donations section of News and Opportunities (p. 2) for a list of most-needed items. For details, contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Jazz vocalist Andrea Pokrefke will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth.

Those who would like to receive detailed news about concerts at Fourth Church are invited to subscribe to the weekly music email newsletter, *Music Notes*, by sending addresses to music@fourthchurch.org.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 9–15, 2009

Sunday, August 9

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
10:00 a.m.	The Gathering		Manse
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Sarah A. Johnson preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, August 10

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group		Counseling Center

Tuesday, August 11

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

Wednesday, August 12

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Nia Class		Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room

Thursday, August 13

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:00 p.m.	Healthful Summer Dishes		Page Smith Room

Friday, August 14

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Nia Class		Anderson Hall
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Andrea Pokrefke		Garth

Saturday, August 15

9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	Nia Splash Out		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Hours at the Garden		Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, August 16

Jocelyn C. Cadwallader preaching	8:00 a.m.
Calum I. MacLeod preaching	9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
John W. Vest preaching	4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$7.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.