

July 4–10, 2010

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CHURCH
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News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Women, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Men's Bible Study meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The next meeting will be held this Tuesday, July 6 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details or to RSVP, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

The Center for Life and Learning (CLL) will visit the Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park on Wednesday, July 14 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. All those sixty and more are welcome to register for CLL excursions. For details or to RSVP, contact Patricia Amis at 312.981.3387 or stop by the CLL front desk.

SummerQuest: Journeys in Film and Literature, sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning and the Academy for Faith and Life, will begin this August. This exploration through popular film and literature will be held Thursdays, beginning August 5, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the church. On Thursday, August 24, John Buchanan will lead a SummerQuest discussion of *Rabbit at Rest* by John Updike. For more information, visit www.fourthchurch.org/academycourses.html.

FELLOWSHIP

Young adults age twenty-two to thirty-five are invited to join in weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach (6:00 p.m. on Mondays). For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

The Fourth Church Cycling Club gathers for monthly bike outings, including the Scenic Shore 150, taking place in Wisconsin July 24 and 25. For details, email cyclists@fourthchurch.org or visit www.fourthchurch.org/cycling.html.

Books by Women fall titles, for those looking to read ahead this summer, are *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel (September), *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett (October), and *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery (November). For more information about the Books by Women book group, visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.html.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Tom Michael and Beckie Menzie, jazz and pop vocalists, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

"American Indian Art and Culture: Traditional and Contemporary" is on exhibition in the Loggia through Sunday, July 11.

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.

A jazz service, including Communion, will be held each Sunday of July during the weekly 4:00 p.m. worship service.

Morning Prayer is held Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday through Friday at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to join staff for daily Morning Prayer, which takes place in Stone Chapel and offers an opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

A prayer 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 held Friday, July 23.

A meditative labyrinth walk will be offered Friday, July 23 in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

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

“What My Faith Means to Me,” a collection of icons created by this year’s Confirmation class, is on exhibition in the Gallery through Sunday, July 18.

Confirmation information for incoming eighth graders and their families has been mailed and is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/rising.html.

Vacation Bible School will take place Monday, August 16–Friday, August 20. Registration forms are available in Westminster House and online at www.fourthchurch.org/childrenfamily.html.

Moms’ groups are meeting in the Lincoln Park and Gold Coast neighborhoods on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Additionally, an evening moms’ group meets once a month on Wednesdays at various locations on the North Side. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (enickerson@fourthchurch.org).

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Next Sunday the congregation will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of John Buchanan’s ministry at Fourth Presbyterian Church. A special reception will be held outdoors in the Garth following 11:00 worship on July 11.

The 219th General Assembly (GA) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is underway in Minneapolis. The Session of Fourth Church, at its June 11 meeting, adopted a resolution in response to the Middle East Study Committee report that will be one of the many matters considered at GA. The Session statement can be found online at www.fourthchurch.org; information about GA is available at www.pcusa.org/ga219/. Please keep all those attending in your thoughts and prayers as they do the important work of the church in the days ahead.

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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Information from the Project Second Century informational meeting, held last Sunday, is posted online at www.fourthchurch.org/P2C.html.

A support group for those dealing with significant loss experiences and grief will be provided on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, beginning Monday, July 12 and ending Monday, August 23. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

Fourth Presbyterian Church is a light in the city, reflecting the inclusive love of God. Comforted and challenged by the gospel of Christ, we strive to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

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.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Applications for the New Orleans mission trip (October 11–17) are due Thursday, July 15. Applications are available in the literature racks and online at www.fourthchurch.org/missiontrips.html.

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago Avenue) holds open volunteer hours each Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A volunteer orientation session is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Fresh produce is available for purchase at the Farm Stand each Saturday during open hours.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant (but not for liquor or tobacco). For information or to purchase a \$5 booklet, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday night suppers; rotating schedule, car essential

Sandwich makers for a women's shelter; fourth Sundays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Urban Farm volunteers on Saturdays; 10:00 a.m. (orientation) to 3:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago Avenue)

Summer Day volunteers to assist with classroom learning, art, meals, and chaperoning field trips; through August 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Men's seasonal sturdy clothes, especially jeans and other pants, short-sleeved shirts, and underwear in larger sizes

Gently used clothes for a seven-year-old girl who is chronically ill; a list of items and sizes is available at the Volunteer table

Shaving cream, toothpaste, men's and women's underwear (sizes L–XL), for guests of the Social Service Center

For details and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

The Center for Life and Learning is collecting paperback fiction books for its book cart for members and guests. Books are needed; tax-deductible donations can be made by dropping off books at the CLL desk. (Please no hardcover or nonfiction books.)

CALENDAR FOR JULY 4–10, 2010

Sunday, July 4

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Anderson Hall N. Balcony
9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study		Large Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John Buchanan 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	Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper		Anderson Hall

Monday, July 5 *(Church Office Closed for July Fourth Holiday)*

6:00 p.m.	Young Adult Volleyball		Oak Street Beach
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Tuesday, July 6

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study		<i>(see announcement)</i>
8:30 a.m.	Summer Day (also Wednesday–Friday)		Westminster House
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel

Wednesday, July 7

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room

Thursday, July 8

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
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Friday, July 9

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Tom Michael and Beckie Menzie		Sanctuary

Saturday, July 10

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Volunteer Hours		Chicago Lights Urban Farm
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Preaching on Sunday, July 11

John Buchanan preaching 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Victoria G. Curtiss 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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.