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SUNDAY WORSHIP

MAY 28

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Walter Brueggemann preaching

6:30 p.m. Communion Vespers

Catherine Knott preaching

JUNE 4 — PENTECOST

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Walter Brueggemann preaching
Communion

6:30 p.m. Jazz Communion Vespers

Patrick Daymond preaching

JUNE 11 — TRINITY SUNDAY

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

John M. Buchanan preaching
9:30 and 11:00 a.m. — Baptisms

6:30 p.m. Communion Vespers

JUNE 18

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Calum I. MacLeod preaching
11:00 a.m. — Reception of
New Members

6:30 p.m. Communion Vespers

JUNE 25

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

John M. Buchanan preaching

6:30 p.m. Communion Vespers

JULY 2

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

John M. Buchanan preaching

6:30 p.m. Communion Vespers

MORNING PRAYER

Weekdays at 9:00 a.m.

in Blair Chapel

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Held at Fourth Church on
the fourth Friday of the month.

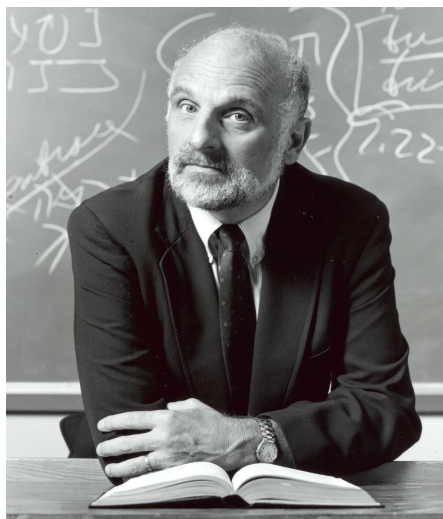
The next service will be

Friday, June 23, at

7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel.

Fourth Church Welcomes Walter Brueggemann as Theologian in Residence

HOSTING A THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE HAS LONG BEEN A DREAM of John Buchanan's, a dream that will be fulfilled this May 28 through June 8. In celebration of Dr. Buchanan's twentieth anniversary of ministry at Fourth Church, the congregation announced in September 2005 that Walter Brueggemann would serve as Theologian in Residence this spring.



During the period of May 28 through June 8, a full schedule of preaching, teaching, and speaking by Dr. Brueggemann will provide the congregation and community with several opportunities to engage with this noted theologian.

Professor Emeritus of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia (a seminary of the Presbyterian Church USA), Dr. Brueggemann is a noted scholar and prolific author of more than fifty books. Among his works are *Inscribing the Text:*

Sermons and Prayers; An Introduction to the Old Testament; Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth and *Reverberations of Faith*, well as the award-winning *Theology of the Old Testament*, which has become a foundational and classic work in the field. Dr. Brueggemann, who is also an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, is widely sought after as preacher, teacher, and lecturer.

All are invited to hear Dr. Brueggemann as he preaches during morning worship on May 28 and June 4, leads two different Bible study series, and speaks at two evening forums.

See page 3 for complete schedule of Brueggemann e

From the Study

Dear Friends,

The invitation to Professor Walter Brueggemann to come to Fourth Presbyterian Church for two weeks as Theologian in Residence to mark my twenty years as Pastor here is an extraordinary honor—and a delight. I could not be more pleased and grateful to the committee for the idea and for choosing Walter Brueggemann.



The idea for the program is very close to the heart of what I believe about the church and the vocation of ministry. How one comes to be who one is will always remain something of a mystery, but I suppose the first stirrings in me of what we describe as a “Call to Ministry” happened when the Reverend Leslie Van Dine came to the church to which my family belonged. I was in high school. He was a decorated and wounded veteran of combat in World War II. It was that experience that led him to ministry. After the war, he attended a Presbyterian college in Ohio and then Yale Divinity School. He was a big man with a high nasal voice, and I think he read his sermons. What got to me was that he was smart and what he said from the pulpit of our church was interesting. He was always quoting from books, novels he was reading, the newspapers, talking about events that were happening in the world. Sometimes he talked about economics, during the periodic railroad layoffs which were the scourge of every family in town, including my own. Sometimes he talked about politics. My parents respected Van Dine even when they disagreed with him, which my father often did, particularly about politics. What Leslie Van Dine did for me was connect Christian faith and the biblical story to the life of the world—and the life of the mind. Here was a minister inviting me not to park my brain outside the church before worship but to bring it inside and to use it, to think, doubt, question, struggle. How wonderful to discover that there was a religious tradition, a way of being Christian, based on that lively connection between faith, the world, and the mind. I fell in love with Presbyterianism because of that connection, and decades later I’m still in love.

In our way of being Christian, one of the major purposes of the church is to help people think in a particular way, a Christian way. How we think is shaped by many influences: our parents and families; institutions, such as schools and governments; social attachments; and, in our day, the market, television, and advertising. And one of the most important tasks of the church is to help us

think in an alternate way, a Christian way, a kingdom of God way. The church, therefore, is always something of a small theological seminary—in its worship and preaching, its teaching and serving, presenting an alternative way to think.

So for me, inviting a distinguished Christian scholar to teach and preach and live with us for a while is a great gift and a wonderful affirmation of who we aspire to be as a Presbyterian church.

Nicholas Wolterstorff, who teaches at Yale writes, “If the voice of the body of Christ in the public square is to be anything more and anything other than the loud but hollow voice of aggrieved resentment or wimpy confusion, it needs Christian scholarship, Christian reflection while thinking afresh from the perspective of the kingdom of God about art, the economy, polity, theology.”

The choice of Brueggemann to be our Theologian in Residence could not have pleased me more. In many ways, Walter is the church’s teacher for our time. He is a very distinguished scholar, respected by the academic community for his research and scholarly work in Old Testament studies. He is a prolific author, whose books continue to instruct and inspire. He is a popular teacher, much in demand as a lecturer and preacher since his quasi-retirement from the faculty of Columbia Theological Seminary. He is an unapologetic believer, whose custom it always was to begin classroom lectures with a prayer. In fact, we have given our retiring officers this year a gift copy of a collection of those prayers, *Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth*. And he’s a good friend—in spite of a preference for the St. Louis Cardinals. We had a small wager on the Cubs–Cardinals series that began the season at Wrigley Field. When the Cubs won three straight, a sweep, Walter sent me copies of the newspaper box scores for each game, the insinuation being that something like that is not likely to happen again for a very long time.

I’m thrilled that Walter Brueggemann will be with us for two weeks, will preach two Sundays and teach, and I do hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to learn from one of the most important Christian thinkers of our time.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John M. Buchanan".

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Walter Brueggemann Events

Preaching

Sunday, May 28 at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
“The Risk of Truth-Telling”
(Acts 1:21–26; 1 John 5:9–13)

Sunday, June 4 at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
“The Life-Giving Wind from Nazareth”
(Psalm 104:24–35; Ezekiel 37:1–14; John 20:19–23)

Bible Studies

Mornings, at 7:30 a.m., May 30–June 1
(Tuesday through Thursday)

The Prophets: Isaiah and Ezekiel

This Bible study will consider the ancient prophets of Israel as contemporary voices of faith. Attention will be given to their common focus on social crisis and their distinct notions of how to find a future in the midst of social collapse and dismay.

Evenings, at 6:30 p.m., June 6–7
(Tuesday and Wednesday)

The Book of Psalms

This Bible study will consider the Book of Psalms as the “down and dirty” script for faith even in our own time. The focus will be on the way in which “truth speaks to power” in the Psalms and the remarkable answer back of the power of God to the fearfulness of the world. The last word that we will consider is God’s imperative, “Do not fear,” a word spoken precisely to our deepest fearfulness.

Those planning to attend one or both of the Bible studies are asked to register in advance by contacting Paula Davis at 312.274.3815 (pdavis@fourthchurch.org). There is no charge for these studies.

Evening Forums

The forums and Bible studies are independent of one another but will consider the same weekly theme.

Wednesday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m.
The Prophets: Jeremiah

Thursday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m.
The Book of Psalms

There is no charge or registration required for the forums.

Including Fourth Church in Estate Plans

Do your estate plans include Fourth Church? If so, please let the Office of Giving Ministries know by contacting Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org). Lisa can also provide information about the variety of ways in which to include Fourth Church as you plan or make updates to your estate.

At a reception following worship on March 19, John Boyle blows out the candles on a cake celebrating his eightieth birthday. The occasion also marks the thirtieth anniversary of his ministry at Fourth Church, where he continues to serve



on the staff of the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, for whom he was the founding director, and as a member of the pastoral

Celebrating John Boyle’s Ministry and Commitment

Dear Friends,

The third stanza of the hymn “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” begins with the words, “What language shall I borrow / To thank thee, dearest friend?”

What language shall I borrow to express to you how profoundly grateful I am to know you and to work in the midst with you? What language shall I borrow to express my heartfelt appreciation, dearest friends, for your outpouring of affirmation and affection afforded me at the reception on Sunday, March 19, 2006, honoring my thirty years of ministry here at Fourth Church? And what language shall I borrow to express my gratitude for the special birthday party that you made a part of that celebration? I have never seen so much cake in one place at one time!

John Buchanan’s words at that time, the special birthday cake, and the beautiful Tiffany gift of a lizard belt with silver buckle, which Dana [Ferguson] so lovingly selected, have had me reeling with “shock and awe.” I shall wear the belt proudly. Each time I do, I shall remember with thanksgiving how I am encircled with your love and care.

What language shall I borrow? All I can say is, “Thank you from all the depths of my being.” I am truly blessed by God and by you.

Faithfully,
John H. Boyle, Parish Associate



Junior Highs sort clothes donated to the Elam Davies Social Service Center on Sunday, March 26. Their service project includes putting away the winter items and organizing spring and summer clothing.

Youth to Leave Their Mark on the Crow's Nest

The Crow's Nest is about to receive a makeover! Located on the third floor, above the Anderson Hall North Balconies, this youth room will, by summer's end, sport a new mural on its walls.

Beginning in June, sixth through twelfth graders will work with visiting artists Lea Pinsky and Dustin Harris to learn ways to make abstract and metaphorical pictures from famous quotations. At the end of the first of two June workshops, the teens will take home design assignments to make pictures from particular biblical passages and inspirational quotations. At the second workshop, the youth will collect their designs and learn about the editing process. Based on these drawings, Lea and Dustin will then design the mural.

During the afternoons of August 14–18 (Vacation Bible School week), the youth will return to participate in "Art Camp," helping Lea and Dustin paint the mural. Dustin and Lea are thrilled to be a part of this mural project. Both Chicago-based artists, their mural projects include children's rooms in private residences, local restaurants and nightclubs, commercial showrooms, and community and youth spaces. Last summer, they created a 600-square foot mural in the lunchroom of CPS's Pulaski Fine Arts Academy in collaboration with fifteen students and members of the school community. As fine artists, Dustin and Lea are founders of the art collective Boombox. Independently, Dustin is also a DJ (and the son of Diana Anton, the Director of the Near North Magnet Cluster Program of Partners in



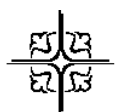
The Crow's Nest is the site for a post-worship gathering of Senior Highs on Sunday, April 2, who come together with John Buchanan to discuss the day's sermon and worship service.

Education), and Lea is an arts education program manager.

All youth are invited to attend the June Mural Artist Workshops on Sundays, June 4 and 11 at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest. Those planning to participate are encouraged to RSVP to Natasha Holbert (312.274.3831; nholbert@fourthchurch.org) to ensure there are enough supplies on hand. Registration forms for participating in the Art Camp (space is limited) will be available at the workshops.

Advocating for the Cabrini Community

Fourth Presbyterian Church has a long history of partnership with neighbors in the transitioning Cabrini-Green



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community. More than forty years of tutoring through the Partners in Education program of Chicago Lights and the efforts of a growing number of programs at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden are just some of the vital ways Fourth Church endeavors to serve that underserved community.

A recent legislative breakfast sponsored by the Near North Ministry Alliance is a new initiative aimed at facilitating communication between church advocates in the neighborhood, including Fourth Church, and local and state legislators.

"This is an opportunity for some of the religious leaders in Cabrini to show a united front to legislators and to communicate concerns on behalf of the community," explains Keith Harris, one of Fourth Church's representatives with the Alliance. "One of the aims is to show both government officials and the community that there is solidarity among the church leaders to work for people who

are underserved so they don't continue to be marginalized."

As the City's Plan for Transformation continues, Fourth Church and other religious organizations want to ensure that residents have a voice and that their needs are not forgotten.

Listening to the community and working to serve those in need is an ongoing priority for Project Light.

Whether it is attending CAPS (Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy) meetings, working on the annual Healthy Community Fun Fair, or growing vegetables to share with the neighbors, Fourth Church volunteers try to help enhance the quality of life for Cabrini residents.

"I see each of us as working to build a long-term legacy of faith. We are using our time and talents for something that will long outlive all of us," says Garden Committee member Barb Maloof. "We are building these relationships, these programs, one step at a time.

"My faith tells me that the world should be a better place because I lived in it. I can't take on the entire world, but I can take on this little slice that is the legacy Fourth Church is trying to leave."

New Officers Ordained and Installed

The Presbyterian church takes its name from the New Testament Greek word presbuteros, which means “elder.” It describes the way the church is governed, with oversight resting on elected bodies at congregational, regional, and national levels. The ruling council in each congregation is called the Session, a body made up of men and women known as “elders,” who have been “set apart” by election and ordination into a supervisory role. At Fourth Church, other elected bodies include the Board of Trustees and the Board of Deacons.

On Sunday, May 7, new officers of the church, who were elected by the congregation at the February 12 congregational meeting, were ordained and installed.

Please keep them in your prayers as they embark on this important ministr

Elders: Elders are members of Session, the church’s governing body, which meets monthly to conduct the business of the church.

Mark Bereyso, Lisa Doak, Sam Evans, Arlene Faulk, Lars Lofgren, David Miller, Francis Ntowe-Fankam, Janet S. Reed, Tony Ruger, Mary Schaafsma, Ben Schemper, Jason Tuscher, Claudia Winkler

Trustees: The Board of Trustees is elected by the congregation to manage Fourth Church’s financial and physical resources.

Deborah Bricker, Rebecca Dixon, Susan M. Hill, Marc Miller, Bob Parsons, Dennis Thorn, Linda Valentine

Deacons: The Board of Deacons, which is often called “the heart of the church,” is responsible for the care of the congregation and outreach ministries.

Florence Adibu, Stu Bradley, Ed Coke, Bennie Davis, Austin Garfield, Alison Gerlach, Alice Hamilton, Courtney Hartford, Deborah Johnson, Barbara Maloof, Melanie Oh, Lori Payeur, Joe Pixler, Leon Rinkenberger, Stanley Smith, Akiko Tarumoto, Seth Tuscher, Barbara Waters, Stuart Whitmore

Please also keep in your prayers those officers who are continuing their terms of service.

Elders: Bill Becker, Betty Bergstrom, Jeanne Bishop, Gerald Bloomer, Barbara Cleveland, David Crawford, Beth Davis, Mason Essif, Elizabeth Foster, Kerry Grady, Jane Hunt, Betty Hutchison, Jerry Latherow, Gunnbjorg Lavoll, Carl Lingenfelter, Carol Lobbes, Larry McCracken, Ann Mellott, Ed Miller, Mark Nelson, Sylvia Robertson, Rick Sabol, Sue Schemper, Bob Unglaub

Trustees: Nancy Brown, Marilyn Cason, Juli Crabtree, Lloyd Culbertson, David Eldersveld, Bryan Erler, Paul Gignilliat, Patricia Habicht, Elinor Hite, Clarence Johnson, Andrew McGaan, Steve Philip, Martin Sherrod, S. L. Van Der Zanden

Deacons: Lisa Armstrong, John Bell, Gayle Birdsong, Irene Bumpus, Esther Cesario, Milt Clark, Delia Coleman, Jessica Corlett, Todd DeStigter, Lou DiCerbo, Don DuPree, Debbie Frisch, Carol Gates, Ryan Gregory, Marty Hansen, Beverly Kowatch, Arnie Lenters, Diane Meister, Cris Ohr, Don Outlaw, Doug Pond, Jane Purdy, Gail Riggs, Kari Sanderson, Andrew Shih, Rob Sinclair, Mark Staublin, Alison Thomas, Stephanette Walker, Mary Kay Wysham, Kim Yaung

Fourth Church extends a heartfelt thank-you and its sincere appreciation to those who this May completed their three-year term of service as officers.

Elders: Philip Calian, Richard Carlson, Lillian Davidson, Andy Ekern, Michelle Holmes, Tom Howell Jr., Missy MacLeod, Marc Miller, Karen Otto, Amy Pagliarella, Polly Peters-Bottrell, Gretchen Wahl

Trustees: Mark Bereyso, Katheryn Dutenhaver, Betsy Finkelmeier, Armon Haagen, Billye Jennings, Rick Mayer, Anne Voshel

Deacons: Vann Avedisian, Richard Barrett, Allison Burke, Ranjan Daniels, Lisa Garay, Emily Hartnell, Barbara Joabson, Greg Lewis, Clare Monroe, Dean Nelson, Byron Reed, Ben Schemper, Jason Schubert, Marge Shelton, Jeff Spang, Christie Valentine, Doris Yancy

Members

The congregation of Fourth Presbyterian Church marks the following occasions in the lives of those who make up the Fourth Church community.

New Members

The following new members were received on Sunday, April 23, 2006

Katy L. Anderson
Mike A. Albright
Mary Ann Bergin
Shegan J. Campbell
Blair W. Eklund
Gillian M. Forsyth
Gregory E. Fritsma
Emily A. Gilley
Adam C. Hawkins
Maureen L. Hawkins
Rachel H. Jacobs
Michael J. Kasper
Medora J. Lee
Laura C. Liu
Rebecca M. Marianetti
Steve E. Marianetti
Michael J. McAuliffe
Carl H. Neill
Marjorie Nelson
Roger Nelson
Sarabeth O'Neil
Kristina K. Schneider

Celeste C. Thomas
Amy E. Ujiki
Corey M. Welsh
Jay D. Welsh
Mary A. Weprin

Baptisms

The following children were baptized on Sunday, April 2, 2006

Anabella Helen Cesca, daughter of Gregory and Claudia Cesca
Elizabeth Yuna Choi, daughter of Edward Choi and Mira Lee
Charles William Cox, son of Tom and Anne Cox
Maxwell Morgan Engel, son of Davor and Connie Engel
Jackson Hendry Piermont, son of Hunter and Alison Piermont
Lauren Elizabeth Smilie, daughter of Scott and Nanci Smilie
Sadie Loren Strong, daughter of David and Heather Strong
Lucas MacLeod Young, daughter of Keith and Kimberly Young

The following child was baptized on Sunday, April 16, 2006

James Alexander Baverman, son of Matt and Lindsay Baverman

The following child was baptized on Sunday, April 23, 2006

Victoria Crawford Makowski, daughter of David and Diana Makowski

The following adults were baptized on Sunday, April 23, 2006

Medora J. Lee
Laura C. Liu

Weddings

On April 22, 2006
Stephanie Miller and Nicholas Van Der Schie

On April 29, 2006
Megan DePuy and Kyle Gemp

Deaths

John L. Lowry, April 21, 2006

Information about the worship, education, fellowship, and mission life of Fourth Presbyterian Church is available at www.fourthchurch.org and in the church literature racks. To subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch, send addresses to news@fourthchurch.org. A one-session Inquirers' Class for those interested in learning more about Fourth Church is offered on **Monday, June 5** from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; **Saturday, June 17** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; and **Sunday, June 25** from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. These classes are generally held three times per month; a schedule of future class dates can be found in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org/inquirer.html.



Save the Date for Mission Benefit 2007

The pre-Lenten fun of southern France came to Chicago on Friday night, February 24, as a sold-out crowd enjoyed Carnival de Nice at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. This annual Mission Benefit raises funds to support the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, the programs of Chicago Lights, and two mission partners of Fourth Church. The partners selected this year were Cabrini Green Legal Aid Clinic and Nueva Esperanza Urban Youth Mission.

Planning is already underway for a festive Mission Benefit 2007, to be held Friday, February 16. Mark your calendar now and plan to be part of the fun while supporting the mission activities of Fourth Church.

Fast-Forward to These Events on Your Calendar

- ▶ Stop by the Chicago Avenue Community Garden on Saturday, June 3 for the **Garden Opening Celebration**, complete with an **art fair**. The **monthly cookout** will be Saturday, June 24 at 12:00 noon. For more garden information, visit www.fourthchurch.org or contact Anne Crow at 312.573.3369 (acrow@fourthchurch.org).
- ▶ The Lost Garden by Helen Humphreys will be the topic of discussion at the June gathering of **Books by Women**. All are invited to this time of conversation, to be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.
- ▶ On Friday evening, June 9, **Fourth Dimension**, a group of those over fifty, will host the program “**Legalized Gambling—Who Wins?**” Philip Blackwell, Pastor at First United Methodist Church at the Chicago Temple, will take a closer look at the moral dilemma associated with the issue of gambling. All are invited to attend. RSVP by Thursday, June 8 by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.
- ▶ Sweet treats will be available on Sunday, June 11 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. as the **Senior Highs** hold their annual **Bake Sale**. All proceeds will support their summer work camp trip to Washington State, where the youth will be working with two organizations that minister to the community: Multifaith Works (Seattle) and Campbell Farms (Wapato).
- ▶ **The 217th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)** will meet in Birmingham, Alabama, June 15–22. John Buchanan and Pastoral Residents Patrick Daymond and Catherine Knott will be among those representing Fourth Church at the Assembly. Please keep them and all those attending from throughout the country in your thoughts and prayers.
- ▶ The weekend of June 15–18, the **Junior Highs** will be helping with the **Illinois Special Olympics** at Illinois State University in Normal. Please keep these youth and their leaders in your prayers as they travel to and from these Summer Games and participate in this mission trip experience.
- ▶ **The Advocacy Committee** of Fourth Church, in partnership with Chicago Sinai Congregation, will host a viewing of the film **The Innocent** Sunday, June 25 at 4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. In telling the story of men who were wrongfully convicted and then sentenced to death, the film focuses on the emotional, psychological, and spiritual experiences of what it is like to be on death row as an innocent person and to attempt to get one’s life back together after being exonerated. Jane Abramson, one of the producers of the film and a member of Chicago Sinai who also attends Fourth Church regularly, will introduce the film and lead a discussion afterwards.
- ▶ The Fourth Church **Summer Blood Donor Drive** will be held Sunday, July 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Watch for details in the July issue of Fourth Press and at www.fourthchurch.org.
- ▶ **Summer Day**, part of the Partners in Education program of Chicago Lights, celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary this year with a fun four weeks of “Steppin’ in Time,” an academic and arts program focusing on Chicago history through literature, art, dance, music, and drama. The program for 100 students from underserved neighborhoods runs July 10 through August 4 and concludes with a birthday party and performance—to which all are invited—on Thursday, August 3 at 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.
- ▶ “Welcome to the Fiesta!”—an exciting celebration of Jesus’ love—will be the theme of this year’s **Vacation Bible School**, scheduled for August 14–18. Registration is open to all children from three years of age through fifth grade. Forms for registering are available in Westminster House or by contacting Emilie Syberg at 312.640.2578 (esyberg@fourthchurch.org). **Junior Highs and Senior Highs** are encouraged to volunteer as station and crew leaders. For more information about volunteering to help with VBS, contact Emilie.

Music at Fourth Church in June

The Choir of Men and Boys from the National Cathedral, Washington, D.C.

Wednesday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary

A free concert featuring “Rejoice in the Lamb” by Benjamin Britten, “Mass for Five Voices” by William Byrd, as well as works by Tallis and Vaughan Williams

Free Friday Noonday Concerts 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary

June 2 Natalie Mann, soprano

June 9 Hannah Barton, violin

June 16 Stephen Schnurr, organ

June 23 Oliver Camacho, tenor

June 30 Eric Budzynski, organ

Next month, Friday Noonday Concerts move outdoors to the Garth.



Let the Children Shine!

The first week of every April is celebrated as “The Week of the Young Child.” This year’s theme was “Let the Children Shine,” illustrated in the Gallery with brightly colored, sunny artwork by children in the Children’s Center, Day School, Sunday School, and Tutoring program.



In addition to delighting children with Emerald City Theatre’s lively performance of *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* the annual Fourth Church Day School Benefit on March 11 raised \$50,000 for the school’s Operating and Scholarship Funds.

“Ed and Annette’s *Monkeys and More*” returned for Family Night on March 17. The St. Patrick’s Day dinner was followed by an opportunity to learn about and pet a variety of animals—a monkey, chinchilla, fox, lizard, and, as seen here, large snakes!

