

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

For those looking to learn more about Fourth Church or considering membership, an Inquirers' Class will be held today at 12:30 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information about future times for this one-session class, see page 2 of the worship bulletin.

All are invited to a Coffee Hour reception following 11:00 worship today as Fourth Church celebrates the installation of Adam Fronczek as Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship.

A tour of Montgomery Place, a retirement community located in Hyde Park, will be offered on Thursday, August 3 by the Center for Older Adults. Those interested are invited to a light lunch in the Page Smith Room at 11:00 a.m. Transportation to Montgomery Place will be provided. Registration is required. For information or to RSVP, call Denise Keane at the church at 312.981.3387.

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden site is open for gardening during the following hours each week: Weekdays: 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For information about the community garden, pick up a brochure from the literature racks, call Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369, or visit www.fourthchurch.org/garden.html.

Appointments are still available for today's Summer Blood Donor Drive. To make an appointment, stop by the Activity Center between 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. today.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee are available in the pew racks and the literature racks, as well as at www.fourthchurch.org/nominating. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry of this congregation. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church office.

Printed copies of recent sermons are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org, where audio versions are also available. For tapes and CDs of morning services, stop by Coffee Hour.

Printed copies of the daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks in the narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. They are also available by e-mail. Send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

WORSHIP

Fourth Church welcomes guest preacher K.C. Ptomey Jr. to its pulpit this morning. Dr. Ptomey is Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Nashville, Tennessee.

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

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the box outside the chapel or they can pray together with the Deacon who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is this Friday, July 28.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Those interested in volunteering for the 2007 Mission Benefit Committee can stop by the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour today. Committee members will work together to plan this February 16, 2007, gala to raise funds for Chicago Lights, the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, and other mission partners of Fourth Church.

Voter registration is available during Coffee Hour through Sunday, October 10.

Twenty-four mission trip participants are currently in Honduras building homes with Habitat for Humanity. They will return next Sunday, July 30. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

To mark its 25th birthday, Summer Day is hosting a birthday party at Ravinia, featuring a performance by the Russian American Kids Circus. This event will take place on Saturday, July 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and includes breakfast and a boxed lunch. For information about ticket prices or to RSVP, stop by the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour or call Allison Graham at the church at 312.981.3596.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Sunday school meets today at 9:30 a.m. in Westminster House.

Youth fellowship groups do not meet today.

Art Camp will be held August 14–18. During this time, Fourth Church youth will help visiting artists paint a mural in the Crow's Nest. Space is limited. For more information or to register, call Natasha Holbert at the church at 312.274.3831.

Musical auditions for *The Rock Slinger* and *His Greatest Hits,* the children's musical taking place this fall, will be held August 15, 16, and 17 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. For more information or to reserve a fifteen-minute audition slot, call Beverly Escuder at 312.981.3595.

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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MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Talmud: The Art of Ben Zion and Marc Chagall, an art exhibition of biblical-themed works created by these Jewish artists, is on display in the Loggia through August 22. This exhibition is sponsored by Christians in the Visual Arts (CIVA), an organization of which Fourth Church is a member.

The Neighborhood Project, an exhibition of photographs taken by students from Schiller Elementary School, is on display in the Gallery through August 22. The goal of this exhibit is to preserve and present the positive side of Cabrini-Green, the community in which most of the students live.

Outdoor concerts in the Garth take place each Friday at 12:10 p.m. This week's free concert will feature the Elaine Dame Duo. A schedule of upcoming concerts in the "Music by the Fountain" series, which continues through August, is available in the literature racks.

ENRICHMENT

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

"Brueggemann on the Psalms and Prophets" will be offered as a six-week Academy for Faith and Life course this fall. All are invited to generate discussion topics for this course by participating in a conversation on Sunday, August 6 following 11:00 worship. Adam Fronczek will lead this conversation about the sermons and lectures Dr. Brueggemann presented during his time as Theologian in Residence at Fourth Church. For more information, contact Christina Wollerman at the church at 312.573.3364 (cwollerman@fourthchurch.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs
Sunday School teachers for this fall
Fourth Church members to usher at
Vespers services

Helpers for Summer Day program,July 24 to August 4

Note takers to record inscriptions in old Fourth Church Bibles and hymnals before they're donated

Fourth Church members to process telephone ticket sales for the October 11 Dave Brubeck concert, weekdays in September and October

Licensed plumber to finish piping a restroom in a nonprofit agency

Current Donation Needs

Furniture for a family immigrating to Chicago

Men's clothing, especially casual pants and summer-weight shirts

Worsted-weight acrylic knitting yarn for volunteers to make goods for needy children

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

FELLOWSHIP

Cornerstones, a group of couples over 50, will be serving Monday Night Supper on Monday, July 31 at 4:00 p.m. at Catholic Charities. The group will then gather for dinner afterwards. For more information or to RSVP for dinner, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

Young Adults, a fellowship opportunity of Fourth Church, invites individuals in their twenties and thirties to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach on summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 23-29, 2006

Sunday, July 23			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching	g Sanctuary
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Blood Donor Drive		Activity Center
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Anderson Hall
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching	g 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		Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Anderson Hall
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	K.C. Ptomey Jr. preaching Adam Fronczek installat	
12:00 p.m.	Reception for Adam		Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class		Page Smith Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Elizabeth B. Andrews pr	-
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	1	Anderson Hall
Monday, July 24 9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Mor		Stone Chapel
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Summer Day (Monday–Friday)		Parish House
4:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours (Monday–Friday)		Chicago Avenue Garden
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball (see announcement)		
Wednesday, July 26 12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Stud	or.	Large Conference Room
12.10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Comerence Room
Friday, July 28 12:10 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Music by the Fountain: Elaine Dame Duo Taizé		Garth Blair Chapel
Saturday, July 29			
10:00 a.m.to 1:00 p.m.	Summer Day 25th Birthday Celebration		(see announcement)
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Garden
11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Community Garden flours Chicago Avenue Garden		

Preaching on Sunday, July 30

Alice M. Trowbridge 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Catherine Knott 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. 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 must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.