August 6–12, 2006



News and Opportunities

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room to discuss today's sermon with Calum MacLeod. Young adults are also invited to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach on summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of gays, lesbians, and friends, will meet for brunch at a nearby restaurant next Sunday, August 13 at 12:30 p.m. For details and to RSVP, call the Fourth Forum Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

"Books by Women," a book group reading works by women authors, will meet Tuesday, September 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *Leap* of Faith: Memoirs of an Unexpected Life by Queen Noor.

Join Fourth Dimension, a group of individuals age 50 and older, for a morning walk. The group meets each Saturday at 8:00 a.m. at the corner of Belden and Lincoln Park West. All are welcome. For more information, call the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden 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.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee are available in the pew racks and the literature racks. 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.

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.

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.

ENRICHMENT

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

All are invited to a discussion today about Walter Brueggemann's sermons and lectures from his time as Theologian in Residence earlier this summer. This discussion, hosted by Adam Fronczek at 12:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall S. Balcony, will generate topics that will then form the basis of "Brueggemann on the Psalms and Prophets," a six-week Academy for Faith and Life class to be offered this fall.

CDs of Walter Brueggemann's Bible studies, forums, and Sunday sermons, recorded while he was Theologian in Residence at Fourth Church, are available at the Deacons table during Coffee Hour.

William Willimon, a Methodist bishop, well-known preacher, and former Dean of the Chapel at Duke University, will be the featured speaker at *The Christian Century*-sponsored dinner on Thursday, September 28 and workshop on Friday, September 29. For information about the costs for the dinner and the workshop and for reservations, contact the *Century* at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Information about improving the quality of education in Illinois and a petition for those interested in signing it is available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

Voter registration is available during Coffee Hour through Sunday, October 10. Women@Fourth Connect and the Volunteer Ministries Committee will be collecting back-to-school supplies throughout August and September to benefit children in need. Donations will be taken during Coffee Hour or can be dropped off at the church reception desk. A list of suggested supplies is available at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour and at www.fourthchurch.org/ women.html. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

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

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) does not meet today.

Senior Highs return today from their summer work camp experience in Washington State, where they worked for a week with two organizations serving those in need.

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 for participants 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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WORSHIP

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 Friday, August 25.

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.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

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

Talmud: The Art of Ben Zion and Marc Chagall, an art exhibition of biblicalthemed 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. The students have also included a notebook to collect comments from those viewing the photos.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs Sunday School teachers for this fall Adult volunteers and crew leaders for Vacation Bible School, August 14–18 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 Attorneys to help a nonprofit legal agency Piano accompanist for children's choirs **Docents for Fourth Church art exhibits** Licensed plumber to finish piping a restroom in a nonprofit agency

Current Donation Needs Canned vegetables

- Men's clothing, especially casual pants and summer-weight shirts
- Multiple copies of specific textbooks for Chicago Lights
- Worsted-weight acrylic knitting yarn for volunteers to make goods for needy children
- **Cell phones and empty toner and ink cartridges** to benefit a nonprofit agency serving homeless and formerly homeless women

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.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 6-12, 2006

Sunday, August 6			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ng Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	_	Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ng Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	-	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Stud	ły	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ng Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	_	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Walter Brueggemann	Discussion A	nderson Hall S. Balcony
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Keith C. Harris preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall
Monday, August 7 9:00 a.m. 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Morning Prayer (Mor Community Garden I Inquirers' Class Young Adults Volley	Hours (Monday–Friday)	Stone Chapel Chicago Avenue Garden Page Smith Room (see announcement)
Wednesday, August 9 12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
Friday, August 11 12:10 p.m.	Music by the Fountain: Five Play		Garth
Saturday, August 12 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension Walk Community Garden Hours		<i>(see announcement)</i> Chicago Avenue Garden

Preaching on Sunday, August 13Calum I. MacLeod8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.Adam Fronczek6:30 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.