

June 22–28, 2008

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News and Opportunities

FELLOWSHIP

The annual all-church picnic at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Avenue, between Hudson and Cleveland) will take place this Saturday at 12:00 noon. A shuttle providing transportation between the church and the garden will be running from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831.

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-five to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Elizabeth Andrews will talk about spiritual direction and the enneagram. Young adults are also invited to join in **weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach** (6:00 p.m. on Mondays). For details, contact Hardy Kim at 312.274.3834 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

ENRICHMENT

An eleven-week Nia fitness class will begin Wednesday, July 9. Classes are held on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at Fourth Church and are sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health. Registration is required. To register or for information about class fees, visit www.niachicago.com or call the Nia Class Infoline at Fourth Church at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Daily devotions written by Fourth Church staff members are available in the literature racks, by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org, and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The Chicago Lights Annual Fund campaign is underway, with a goal of \$320,000. Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, between now and July 31 every dollar raised through an increased or new gift to the Chicago Lights Annual Fund will result in a matching gift, up to \$50,000, to the Chicago Lights education programs. Gifts can be made using the envelopes in the pew racks, making a check payable to Chicago Lights, or giving online at www.chicagolights.org. For information about this nonprofit community outreach organization at Fourth Presbyterian Church, contact Katy Frey at 312.274.3816 (kfrey@fourthchurch.org).

Visit the Chicago Avenue Community Garden, open Tuesdays through Fridays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

Mission Trip participants traveling to the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations will spend this week in South Dakota. Please keep these travelers in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

The annual Senior Highs car wash/dog wash fund-raiser will be held next Sunday, June 29 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Ave., between Cleveland and Hudson). All proceeds will benefit their work camp trips to New Orleans and Presbyterian camps.

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

Fourth Church youth do not have regular gatherings on Sunday mornings during the summer. Watch for information about special events and other gatherings.

A new New Moms' Group will begin later this summer for those who are expecting a child or have had a child within the last year. For information, e-mail newmomsgroup@fourthchurch.org.

Vacation Bible School will take place August 11–15 this year. Application forms are available in Westminster House. Space is limited and will fill quickly. Youth are needed to serve as crew leaders. For details, contact Emilie Syberg at the church at 312.640.2578

A special congregational meeting has been called by the Session of Fourth Presbyterian Church for Sunday, July 6, following 11:00 a.m. worship. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for Mission.

The Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org, makes available audio of the previous Sunday morning's worship service, including the sermon; sermon transcripts and the text from "Prayers of the People"; the text of worship bulletins and "News and Opportunities"; devotional resources; and programming information.

Gifts made by check to Fourth Presbyterian Church or Chicago Lights have begun to be processed in a more efficient, electronic way by the Fourth Church accounting department. Because of this new scanning process, beginning June 15 your bank statement may report the check payment as "Electronic Funds Withdrawal or Transfer" rather than "Check Paid" (in which case you will not receive the cashed check back from your financial institution). The funds also may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day Fourth Church or Chicago Lights receives your check. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact Lisa Radetski in the Giving Ministries office at 312.981.3380.

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

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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The July issue of *Fourth Press* was mailed on June 20 (and is online at www.fourthchurch.org). If you do not receive it in a timely manner, please let your mail carrier and postal substation know of your concerns about the delivery delay.

Who needs a will? Every adult who owns anything and cares about what happens to it, as well as anyone who wants to leave a bequest for the church. For information about planned giving, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Organist Gail Archer will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary. Beginning Friday, July 11, the weekly Friday Noonday Concerts will move outside to the Garth for the July and August "Music by the Fountain" series.

"Confirming Our Faith: Artistic Expressions of What My Faith Means to Me," an exhibit created by members of Fourth Church Rising, the eighth-grade Confirmation class, is on display in the Gallery. Hanging in the Loggia is the exhibition **"Caring for Creation: Illinois Beauty,"** photographs by Fourth Church members Marija Petruskas and Tom Rossiter.

WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can leave their prayer requests written on paper in the boxes located outside Stone Chapel, at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour, at the reception desk, and in the Narthex. They also can pray together with the Deacon in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

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

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 opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

A service in the style of Taizé will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on June 27, the fourth Friday of the month. From 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. preceding the service, a **prayer labyrinth walk** will be offered in Anderson Hall.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Other Volunteer Needs
Observers of exemplary teachers in Chicago Public Schools programs
Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers
People to bag groceries Sunday afternoon for the Social Service Center's guests

Current Donation Needs
Personal items for a church family who lost everything in a fire; a list is available at the Volunteer Table
Cell phones and empty toner and ink cartridges, to be recycled by a nonprofit program benefiting women who are homeless
Greeting cards and stamps for guests of Sunday and Monday night suppers, which serve those who are hungry or homeless

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

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 22-28, 2008

Sunday, June 22

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Donna Gray preaching
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Donna Gray preaching
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Westminster House
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Page Smith Room
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Donna Gray preaching
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Trina Portillo preaching
		Sanctuary

Monday, June 23

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball	Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, June 24

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

Wednesday, June 25

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
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Friday, June 27

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Gail Archer, organist	Sanctuary
3:30 p.m.	Serving Fourth Friday Night Supper	Catholic Charities
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Labyrinth Walk	Anderson Hall
7:30 p.m.	Taizé Worship Service	Blair Chapel

Saturday, June 28

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours	Community Garden
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	All-Church Picnic	Community Garden

Preaching on Sunday, June 29

- Hardy Kim 8:00 a.m.
- John Buchanan 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- Hardy Kim 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sunday mornings at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, at the rate of \$7.00 for three hours 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 for the 900 garage must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.