

News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

An afternoon worship service including Communion is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. This worship opportunity has a casual, family-friendly feel. After each 4:00 service, all are invited to share in a community meal in Anderson Hall.

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.

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

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel each fourth Friday of the month, offering an opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. A meditative labyrinth walk is offered in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. prior to the Taizé services. The next service will be Friday, June 26.

Fourth Church welcomes Dr. Brian Blount to the pulpit for 9:30 and 11:00 worship next Sunday. Dr. Blount is President of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, and previously served as a New Testament professor at Princeton Theological Seminary.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Five members of Fourth Church will travel to South Dakota June 22–27 to spend the week at the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations. Please keep these mission trip participants in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ. For more details about Fourth Church mission trip opportunities, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 or pick up a brochure from the literature racks.

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden is now observing open hours Tuesday through Friday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. To volunteer to work in the garden, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

The Holiday Card Committee is in need of volunteers to help plan and implement marketing strategies for these student-made cards, which raise funds for the Tutoring Program. For details, contact Allison Graham at 312.981.3596.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Sunday morning driver to pick up produce from the 1558 N. Elston market for use at Community Supper

Volunteer to assist a Presbyterian AIDS clinic with grant writing and marketing

Tennis coaches and assistants for Fourth Church's youth tennis camp, Monday through Wednesday, June 24–July 22, from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday bread-cutters for 8:00 a.m. Sunday Communion (on a rotating schedule)

Ushers, readers, and musicians to help with 4:00 p.m. worship

Community Supper volunteers to help with beverage pouring, tablecloth and dish washing, and chair stacking

Tutors, artists, field-trip chaperones, and meal servers to help with Summer Day, a program for 1st through 8th graders, June 22–July 31

All-Church Cookout volunteers to set up, greet, serve, to take down and clean up, and to teach crafts to kids on Saturday, June 27; shifts are available from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For details and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table or contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

ENRICHMENT

A summer excursion to the Swedish Days Festival in Geneva, Illinois, will take place Tuesday, June 23 and is sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning. Those sixty and over are invited to attend. For details and to RSVP, contact Patricia Amis at 312,981,3397.

Weekly Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks and by email from devotions@fourthchurch.org.

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 kindergartners at 11:00 a.m.

Enjoy cookies, sweets, and more at the Senior Highs Bake Sale fund-raiser next Sunday, June 28 during Coffee Hour. All proceeds will benefit youth work camp trips to Northern Ireland and Iowa City.

Vacation Bible School will take place Monday, August 17–Friday, August 21. Registration forms are available in Westminster House. For more details, contact Melissa Scanlan at 312.640.2578.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

A reception for the artists whose work is part of the "Many Paths" interfaith exhibition will take place in the Page Smith Room following 11:00 worship today. This is the last day these works will be on display.

Organist Joe Marchio will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary. Beginning July 10, the weekly Friday Noonday Concerts will move outside to the Garth.

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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FELLOWSHIP

Coffee Hour will be outside in the Garth this morning. Please join us following worship for this time of fellowship.

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for those age twenty-five to thirty-five, meets today at 10:00 a.m. in the Manse; Dr. Riaz Akhtar from the Downtown Islamic Center share with the group information about the basic tenets of Islam. Next Sunday, Liz Nickerson will lead a discussion on interfaith dialogue. Young adults weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach takes place on Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

All are invited to the annual All-Church Cookout this Saturday, June 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Avenue, between Hudson and Cleveland) There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers cooked out on the grill, topped with all the trimmings, and served under an open tent. A variety of activities for all ages will be available including games for kids, crafts, garden tours, and giveaways. 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 more information, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Fourth Church offers a variety of services and resources for those dealing with practical, spiritual, and emotional issues. For information about available resources, contact Associate Pastor for Congregational Care Ali Trowbridge at 312.573.3360 (atrowbridge@fourthchurch.org), call the Care Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 446, or pick up a "Fourth Church Cares" card from the literature racks.

"Meeting the Challenge" is an invitation to all members and friends to consider increasing their pledges, pledge for the first time, or make an additional gift to Fourth Church and Chicago Lights so that we might meet the increased need for service and outreach in these difficult days. To help meet the challenge, please complete the response card in the pew racks, visit www.fourthchurch. org/2009challenge.html, or contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

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 \$7.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.

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 needs a will. For more information about planned giving, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

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

The Fourth Church website, www.fourthchurch.org, makes available audio (including podcasts) of the 11:00 a.m. services; sermon transcripts from all worship services; the text of worship bulletins; devotional resources; and programming information.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 21-27, 2009

Sunday, June 21			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Joann H. Lee preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preachi	
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Stud	dy	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
10:00 a.m.	The Gathering		Manse
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preachi	•
11:00 a.m.	"Many Paths" Artist Reception		Page Smith Room
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	Linda C. Loving preaching	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Community Supper		Anderson Hall
Monday, June 22			
8:30 a.m.	Summer Day Program	n Begins	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volley	ball	Oak Street Beach
Tuesday, June 23			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Swedish Days Excurs	sion	(see announcement)
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden
Wednesday, June 24			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	L	arge Conference Room
Thursday, June 25			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden
Friday, June 26			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Joe Marchio		Sanctuary
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.			Community Garden
Saturday, June 27			
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	All-Church Cookout		Community Garden
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Preaching on Sunday, June 28

Alice M. Trowbridge 8:00 a.m.
Brian Blount 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Jocelyn C. Cadwallader 4:00 p.m.

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