

News and Opportunities

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Donation Needs

Men's shoes and pants, all sizes but especially pant sizes 32-36, are needed for the Elam Davies Social Service Center Share Shop

Current Volunteer Needs

Adult assistants for Vacation Bible

School from August 15-19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Clothes sorters for the Elam Davies Social Service Center on weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Cooks/servers for the weekly Social Service Center Sunday night supper

Helpers at the Urban Farm on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. and in the Urban Farm's office on weekdays to assist with community outreach

Church members to usher at the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services

Church members to replenish a care team for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

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 Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576.

Nominating forms for the officers of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights

Board are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church. Recommendations will be received through September 30.

A giving kiosk in the Narthex makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church, Chicago Lights, or Project Second Century. A receipt will be printed immediately. Gifts can be made anonymously or recorded to Fourth Church giving records.

A tour of Brookdale Senior Residences will take place on Thursday, August 4. The tour, sponsored by the Center for Life and Learning and the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health, will include lunch and dessert. To register, call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

Daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks, via Facebook and Twitter, and by email: send email addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org.

Recent construction photos are on Facebook: www.facebook.com/fourthchurch. Fourth Church is also on Twitter: @FourthChicago.

Fourth Presbyterian Church strives to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Summer Sunday School for preschool through fifth grade meets today at 9:30 a.m.

The nursery for young children is located in the Page Smith Room and Second-Floor Conference Room.

A drop-in summer playgroup for parents and their children through three years old is held on Saturdays and Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information, call Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366.

The Chicago Lights Summer Day final performance, "Rise Up," will be held this Thursday, August 4 at 12:30 p.m. and again at 3:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. All are invited to attend as these students showcase, through acting, song, and dance, what they have learned from this summer program.

Vacation Bible School for preschoolers through fifth-graders will be held on August 15–19 with the theme "Hometown Nazareth." (Preschool registration is now at capacity and thus closed.) Registration information is also available during Coffee Hour and from Daniel Holladay at 312.640.2578.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The Illinois Brass Band Ensemble will perform this Friday's free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the courtyard.

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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An art exhibition, "Seeing with Indian Eyes," featuring batiks, woodblock prints, copper etchings, and acrylics by P. Solomon Raj, will be on display in the Loggia through mid-August.

ENRICHMENT

A discussion on Palestine, sponsored by the Mission Committee, will take place today at 12:30 p.m. in the dining room. Estephan Salameh, an advisor for the Palestinian Authority, will speak about the current state of Palestinian efforts to form an independent state. All are invited to attend this free presentation.

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Monday, August 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

Nia fitness classes offered through the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health meet Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:15 a.m. at the 737 building. For information or to register, call the Nia Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunity
CLL Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

WORSHIP

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 outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

A jazz service is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. A Bible study and sermon discussion follow the service.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be Friday, August 26. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. For more information about the service, visit www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Participants traveling to Northern Ireland with Fourth Church and Old St. Pat's will depart for an eight-day pilgrimage for peace and reconciliation. Please keep these travelers in your thoughts and prayers in the days ahead.

A Guatemala mission trip over Christmas break will provide an opportunity to help build homes outside of Antigua. To apply, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, September 19.

The Annual School Supply Drive, organized by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, is underway and continues through August 28. The top five items needed are extra-large backpacks, scientific solar calculators, folders (two-pocket, three-prong), filler paper, and spiral notebooks. Donations can be dropped off at Coffee Hour or during the week at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a complete list of items needed, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or visit www.fourthchurch.org/women.html.

The Chicago Lights Urban Farm is holding open hours on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New volunteer orientation is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

A letter urging U.S. senators to form a circle of protection around funding for programs for the hungry in the U.S. and abroad is available at the Mission Table during Coffee Hour or online at www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html.

Chicago Shares voucher booklets offer a way to give to those in need on the streets while knowing that the \$1 gift will be redeemed at a participating grocery store or restaurant. To purchase a \$5 booklet, stop by the Mission Table during Coffee Hour or contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults meet today by the Garth fountain following 11:00 worship and will then walk to a nearby park for a sermon discussion and fellowship. They also gather on Monday evenings for beach volleyball at 6:15 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

An excursion to the state fair in Wisconsin, offered through the Center for Life and Learning, will take place on Monday, August 8. Those sixty years and more are invited to enjoy classic American tastes, sights, and sounds during this full-day trip. To register, call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387.

A grief support group for those dealing with significant losses meets every Monday through August 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center (which is now on the third floor). For information, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 31–August 6, 2011

Sunday, July 31

7:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Conference Room
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Matthew J. Helms preaching Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School	Anderson Hall Balconies/Manse
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Calum I. MacLeod preaching Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Palestine Discussion	Dining Room
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	<i>(see announcement)</i>
4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Worship	Adam H. Fronczek preaching Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	Anderson Hall
5:00 p.m.	Bible Study and Sermon Discussion	Sanctuary

Monday, August 1

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Summer Day <i>(also Tuesday–Thursday)</i>	Anderson Hall
6:15 p.m.	Young Adults Beach Volleyball	Oak Street Beach
6:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Randolph Room
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group	Lorene Replogle Counseling Center

Tuesday, August 2

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Summer Playgroup	Page Smith Room

Wednesday, August 3

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:15 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class <i>(also Friday)</i>	737 Building

Thursday, August 4

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:30 a.m.	Brookdale Senior Residences Tour	<i>(see announcement)</i>
12:30 p.m.	Summer Day Performance: "Rise Up"	Anderson Hall
3:00 p.m.	Summer Day Performance: "Rise Up"	Anderson Hall

Friday, August 5

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Bridge Lessons	737 Building
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Knox Room – 737 Building
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Illinois Brass Band Ensemble	Garth

Saturday, August 6

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Summer Playgroup	Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	Volunteering at the Urban Farm	444 W. Chicago Ave.

Preaching on Sunday, August 7

Joyce Shin preaching	8:00 a.m.
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Matthew J. Helms preaching	4:00 p.m.

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 \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.