



August 29–September 4, 2004

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Sunday parking rates at the 900 North Michigan garage have increased to \$7.50 for validated parking between 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please note that this validation is *only valid for three hours or less*. For parking exceeding three hours, the validation will not be honored and regular garage rates will apply. Tickets must be validated at the church—either in the Narthex, at Coffee Hour, or at the reception desk. Sunday parking also continues to be available at the Hancock garage at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. Other possible sources of discounted parking are being explored. Weekly rates at the 900 garage remain unaffected.

“Get Connected . . . Stay Connected” Sunday will be Sunday, September 12. Stop by Coffee Hour that Sunday to learn more about the various programs and opportunities available at Fourth Church, including Academy for Faith and Life courses, Women’s Bible Study, Center for Older Adult classes, and much, much more.

Have you met a homeless person you’re not sure how to help? Pocket cards detailing the hours and services of the Elam Davies Social Service Center are now available. These cards, which are available from the receptionist or from the Chicago Lights table at Coffee Hour, can be used to give to those in need.

If you are not a registered voter, please stop by the table provided for voter registration during Coffee Hour. If you are planning to vote in person, no ID is required to register; however, you must take ID with you when voting. If you are planning to vote absentee, you must provide two forms of ID (one of which must be a picture ID) when registering.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks and the literature racks. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church office.

Nancy Hutchison Enderle, former Executive Associate Pastor at Fourth Church, will be the guest preacher during morning worship next Sunday, September 5.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Fourth Acts will perform “Plays, Scripture, and Theological Surprises!” August 29 at 3:00 p.m. at Chiesa Nuova (230 S. Laflin). Please support the group in their venture to use fine arts as an avenue of healing, unity, and religious enrichment. For more information or to reserve tickets, call Sheila Cotter at the church at 312.537.3366.

The Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For more information about this volunteer choir, call John Sherer at the church at 312.981.3592.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes do not meet today. Classes will resume at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 12.

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meet today at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow’s Nest to discuss clips from the movies *Shrek* and *Shrek 2*.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) meet today at 1:00 p.m. in the Crow’s Nest for lunch followed by a mission project at the Elam Davies Social Service Center.

The Youth Kick-Off is scheduled for Sunday, September 12 at 12:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. RSVP by Sunday, September 5 to Kathryn Johnson at the church at 312.640.2576 (kjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

FELLOWSHIP

Venture Fourth, a group for single adults, meets today at 11:00 a.m. in the Page Smith Room for spiritual reflection and fellowship.

Young Adults (20s and 30s) are invited to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

ENRICHMENT

The John Knox Bible Study Class, meets each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

Noonday Bible Study meets each Wednesday at 12:10 p.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Barbara Brown Taylor, one of the country’s most accomplished preachers, will speak on “Faith on Edge” on Thursday, September 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Palmer House Hilton. Tickets for this dinner and lecture event, hosted by the *Christian Century*, are available for \$125 each by contacting the *Century* (events@christiancentury.org) at 312.263.7510. Seating is limited; reservation deadline is this Friday, September 3.

“Books by Women,” a Women@Fourth Connect book group, will meet Tuesday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room to discuss *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory. For more information, please contact Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495 (lcochrane@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Church Men’s Group begins a new season of breakfast meetings Saturday, September 11 at 8:00 a.m. John Buchanan will lead a discussion on the relationship between religion and politics and bring an update on Project Light. Reservations for breakfast are required; to register, call the church office at 312.787.4570 by noon on September 10.

“Your Particular Grief” is the title of a six-week seminar offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning September 14. Reservations must be made by Friday, September 10; for more information or to register, call the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

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 Smoking Cessation Program, sponsored by the Center for Whole Health, will meet for eight weeks from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. starting September 23. Registration is required. Call Terrill L. Stumpf at the church at 312.981.3396 to register or for more information. Scholarships are available. A free information session with the instructor is scheduled for Thursday, September 9 at 6:00 p.m.

An eight-week T'ai Chi class, sponsored in part by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Church, will be held Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. beginning September 23. Space is limited and registration is required by September 13; to register, call Terrill L. Stumpf at the church at 312.981.3396.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Women@Fourth Connect is collecting "back-to-school" supplies to benefit children in local social service agencies and participants in the Partners in Education Tutoring Program. Tuesday, August 31 is the last day donations can be dropped off at the church reception desk. For more information, contact Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495 (lcochrane@fourthchurch.org).

Current Donation Needs

Donations toward 125 hot meals to be served at the Fourth Church—sponsored Monday night supper; donations may be made in memory or honor of loved ones

Baby and infant clothes, beds, bedding, stuffed animals, and strollers

Men's clothing, especially in big and tall sizes

Two-floor dumb waiter in good condition

(Fourth Church programs do not currently need used computers)

Current Volunteer Needs

Tutors for children from Cabrini-Green and Henry Horner homes, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. one evening a week

Helpers for Kids' Cafe from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week

Clothes sorters on Mondays for the Social Service Center's Share Shop

Fourth Church members to serve as sanctuary hosts Sunday afternoons and during the week

Fourth Church members to usher at Vespers once a month

Fourth Church member to purchase and cut bread for Vespers on the fourth Sunday of each month

Singers for the Chancel (8:00 a.m.) and Vespers (6:30 p.m.) choirs

Fourth Church member to teach Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. on alternate Sundays

For more information, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Calling all tutors! Partners in Education is looking for tutors and students, past and present, who have stories or memories to share at the Tutoring Program's 40th Anniversary celebration. Please come to the Chicago Lights Table at Coffee Hour today and fill out a Tutor Story Card.

Shop 'til you Drop! Support Chicago Lights through a shopping benefit at Bloomingdale's. This is the last Sunday to purchase tickets for fifteen percent off at Bloomingdale's stores on Wednesday, September 1. Tickets are available at the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour or at the reception desk. All proceeds from ticket sales benefit Chicago Lights. Call Judith Moore at the church at 312.981.3566 for more information.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 29–SEPTEMBER 4, 2004

Sunday, August 29

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Keith C. Harris preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Keith C. Harris preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study		Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs		Crow's Nest
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Keith C. Harris preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Venture Fourth		Page Smith Room
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs		Crow's Nest
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site
3:00 p.m.	Fourth Acts Performance		<i>(see announcement)</i>
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Service	Carol J. Allen preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Loggia

Monday, August 30

	Center for Older Adults: Closed through September 7		
9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach

Tuesday, August 31

4:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site
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Wednesday, September 1

12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site

Thursday, September 2

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal		Sanctuary
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site

Friday, September 3

12:10 p.m.	Free Noonday Concert:		Sanctuary
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Saturday, September 4

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Cabrini Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Site
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Preaching on Sunday, September 5

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

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$6.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.50 to 4:00 p.m. (validation is for three hours or less) and \$6.25 after 5:00 p.m. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.25.

Tickets must be validated during Coffee Hour or at the Chestnut Street reception desk.