

News and Opportunities

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Mission trip participants return today from Honduras, where they helped build homes with Habitat for Humanity. For more information about participating in Fourth Church mission trips, contact Vicki Reynolds at the church at 312.981.3384.

This year's Summer Day closing

celebration will be Thursday, August 3 at 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. All are invited to attend this performance of "Steppin' in Time," which will highlight the activities and creative endeavors of the more than 120 students who participated in this four-week summer program, which is a part of Chicago Lights at Fourth Church.

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 beginning next Sunday, August 6 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.

Voter registration is available during Coffee Hour through Sunday, October 10.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

A tour of Montgomery Place, a retirement community located in Hyde Park, will be offered this Thursday, August 3 by the Center for Older Adults. Those interested are invited to a light lunch in the Page Smith Room at 11:00 a.m. Transportation to Montgomery Place will be provided. Registration is required. For information or to RSVP, call Denise Keane at the church at 312.981.3387.

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.

FELLOWSHIP

Cornerstones, a group of couples over 50, will be serving Monday Night Supper this Monday, July 31 at 4:00 p.m. at Catholic Charities. The group will then gather for dinner afterwards. For information or to RSVP for dinner, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

Young Adults, a fellowship opportunity of Fourth Church, invites individuals in their twenties and thirties to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach on summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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.

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. **Morning prayer** is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Stone Chapel.

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.

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.

ENRICHMENT

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

"Brueggemann on the Psalms and Prophets" will be offered as a six-week Academy for Faith and Life course taught by Adam Fronczek this fall. All are invited to generate discussion topics for this course by participating in a conversation following 11:00 worship next Sunday, August 6. Adam will lead this conversation about the sermons and lectures Dr. Brueggemann presented during his time as Theologian in Residence. For more information, contact Christina Wollerman at the church at 312.573.3364.

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.

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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CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

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

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets today at 12:00 noon in the Crow's Nest to play miniature golf at Navy Pier. The group will return to the church by 3:00 p.m.

Senior High youth leave today for their summer work camp experience in Washington State, where they will be through August 6 working for a week with two organizations serving those in need. Please keep these youth and their leaders in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

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 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.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

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.

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.

Outdoor concerts in the Garth take place each Friday at 12:10 p.m. This week's free concert will feature Petra Van Nuis.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs Sunday School teachers for this fall Adult volunteers and crew leaders for Vacation Bible School, August 14-18 Fourth Church members to usher at Vespers services 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 Licensed plumber to finish piping a restroom in a nonprofit agency **Current Donation Needs**

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 JULY 30-AUGUST 5, 2006

Sunday, July 30			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Alice M. Trowbridge prea	
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	01	Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Alice M. Trowbridge prea	
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study Page Smith Room		
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	-9	Garth
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Alice M. Trowbridge prea	
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	inter in hereitage prod	Garth
12:00 p.m.	Junior Highs		Crow's Nest
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Catherine Knott preachin	5
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Cutierine Knott preuenin	Anderson Hall
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Monday, July 31			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Cornerstones		(see announcement)
4:00 to 7:00 p.m.			Chicago Avenue Garden
6:30 p.m.			(see announcement)
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Wednesday, August 2			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	7	Large Conference Room
Thursday, August 3			
11:00 a.m.	Tour of Montgomery Place Retirement Community Page Smith Room		
2:00 p.m.	Summer Day Closing Celebration Anderson Hall		
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Friday, August 4			
12:10 p.m.	Music by the Fountai	n: Petra Van Nuis	Garth
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Saturday, August 5			
8:00 a.m.	Fourth Dimension W	alk	(see announcement)
	Community Garden Hours		Chicago Avenue Garden
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden I	10015	Cincago Avenue Garden
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	Preaching on Sunday, August 6 Calum I. MacLeod 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.		

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 Keith C. Harris
 6:30 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.