

July 20–July 26, 2008

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**FOURTH
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
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News and Opportunities

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Today there is a **Senior High Work Camp informational meeting** for youth and parents at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow's Nest.

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.

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

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.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

The **Kevin Cline Trio**, featuring morning choir vocalists **Andrea Pokrefke** and **Jerry Johnson**, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Garth, as part of the summer "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.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Today, a **reception honoring Martha Langford will be held** during Coffee Hour. All are invited to greet Martha and thank her for her two years at Fourth Church as Pastoral Resident and wish her well in her new position as Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Evangelism at Third Presbyterian Church in Rochester, New York, where John Wilkinson is Pastor.

The Reverend Victoria Curtiss Associate Pastor for Mission was elected at the July 6 congregational meeting. She will join the church staff in September.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board are available in the pew racks. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

To keep membership information up to date, please note any changes in mailing address, e-mail address, or phone number on the pew pads, e-mail them to databasechanges@fourthchurch.org, or click on “Update Your Information” on the Fourth Church website.

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, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380.

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.

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

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-five to thirty-five, will hold a Program Planning Session today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. Bring ideas, interests, and questions to a conversation about future sessions and events. Young adults are also invited to join in **weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach** (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays).

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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WORSHIP

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in the 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.

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 pray for those in need.

This Friday’s service in the style of Taizé will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel, as it is each fourth Friday of the month. It will be preceded by a meditative labyrinth walk in Anderson Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

ENRICHMENT

A five-session series on travel writing, sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Life and Learning, begins Wednesday, July 30 at 10:30 a.m. The series will be led by Amy Wiede; its focus will be capturing special memories. To register, contact Denise Keane at 312.981.3387.

Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Printed copies of recent sermons are available in the literature racks. The transcripts are also available at www.fourthchurch.org.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

The annual “Back-to-School Supply Drive,” sponsored by Women@Fourth Connect, has begun. Lists of needed supplies are available during Coffee Hour, in the literature racks, and at www.fourthchurch.org. These supplies, which will be collected through August, will be given to students who are connected with the Chicago Avenue Community Garden or are part of Chicago Lights Tutoring as well as those served by various community agencies. For more information contact Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or aellis@fourthchurch.org.

The Chicago Lights Annual Fund campaign has raised more than \$160,000 of its goal of \$320,000 through the generosity of more than 400 donors. 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 by using the envelopes in the pew racks, making a check payable to Chicago Lights, or giving online at www.chicagolights.org.

The next monthly cookout at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (444 W. Chicago Avenue, between Cleveland and Hudson) will take place Saturday, July 26 at 12:00 noon. There will be food and fellowship for all ages. The garden is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

People to bag groceries Sunday afternoons for the Social Service Center guests

People to collect, sort, and inventory donations for the Back-to-School Supply Drive during Coffee Hour (3 per shift) in July and August

Current Donation Needs

Infants’ and children’s clothes, toys, strollers, cribs, car seats, and books, to benefit the patients of a nonprofit clinic

Items for the Back-to-School Supply Drive, including: composition books, scientific calculators, and colored pencils; full lists of items are available at Coffee Hour

Greeting cards and stamps for guests of Sunday and Monday night suppers, which serve those who are hungry or homeless

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

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.

To learn more about the great variety of volunteer and donation opportunities available through Fourth Church, visit www.fourthchurch.org/volunteerdonate.html.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 20-JULY 26, 2008

Sunday, July 20

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery		Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Alice M. Trowbridge preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
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		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:00 p.m.	New Member Brunch		Dining Room
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
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	Alice M. Trowbridge preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception		Anderson Hall

Monday, July 21

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

Tuesday, July 22

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

Wednesday, July 23

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class		Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study		Large Conference Room

Thursday, July 24

12:00 p.m.	Pathways to Wellness		Page Smith Room
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Friday, July 25

10:00 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class		Activity Center
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: The Kevin Cline Trio		Garth

Saturday, July 26

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden
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Preaching on Sunday, July 27

Adam Fronczeck 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Elizabeth Nickerson 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.