



April 24–30, 2005

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

As part of a citywide recognition of Child Abuse Awareness Month,

Fourth Church is hosting an observance arranged by CAPS (Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy), 18th District, today at 12:30 p.m. outside the church.

An Interfaith Passover Seder, hosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation (15 W. Delaware), will take place Monday, April 25 at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are available at Coffee Hour.

Graduating in 2005? Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree are asked to call Kathryn Johnson at the church at 312.640.2576 by Monday, May 16 so that they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 22.

“Finding Your Niche at Fourth Presbyterian Church,” a catalogue listing a wide variety of opportunities available at Fourth Church, can be found at www.fourthchurch.org and in the literature racks.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

Confirmation Class (grade 8) meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Crow’s Nest.

Today’s Senior High Bake Sale

supports the youth as they raise funds for their summer work camp trip to Mexico to work with Borderlinks.

Children’s artwork is on display in the Gallery through April as Fourth Church marks the Month of the Young Child. Created by the children in various Fourth Church programs, the artwork celebrates “Finding Friends at Fourth.”

The Junior High Academy Class

meets today at 9:30 a.m. in the Large Conference Room.

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) meets today at 10:45 a.m. in the Crow’s Nest.

“Parents of Tots” are invited to the Manse this Wednesday, April 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. John H. Boyle will be speaking. For more information, contact Jill Schiltz in the Children and Family Ministry office at 312.640.2578.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

This is the last week of the

Women@Fourth Connect diaper drive .

Donations can be dropped off during Coffee Hour on Sundays and at the reception desk during the week. Diapers for infants and toddlers will be donated to shelters for women and children. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495.

In observance of Earth Day, a letter opposing the inclusion of any Arctic Refuge drilling provisions in the federal budget is available to sign at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

Near North Ministry Alliance's Healthy Community Fun Fair will be held Saturday, April 30 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. at Seward Park (Elm and N. Orleans). This event will provide a time sharing in community with partners in the Near North Ministry Alliance, of which Fourth Church is a member. For more information, call Richard Williams at the church at 312.981.4037.

Mission trip participants going to Guatemala to work in a community development project outside Antigua depart this Monday, April 25, returning Monday, May 2. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

Did You Know . . .

10,184 hot meals and sack lunches were served to our hungry neighbors in 2004 through the Elam Davies Social Service Center, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

To learn more about the ways in which the programs of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church touch lives, one at a time, stop by the Chicago Lights table during Coffee Hour or visit www.fourthchurch.org/chicagolights.html Gifts to support the programs of Chicago Lights can be made by using their Annual Fund Appeal envelopes available in the pew racks.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Registered nurses to perform blood pressure screenings at the Healthy Community Fun Fair, April 30

Assistants to Computer Instructor in Tutoring Program, 4:15 to 5:05 p.m., Wednesday or Thursday

Servers for Tutoring Program banquets, May 9 and 10

Tennis Camp coaches and helpers, Mondays and Wednesdays, June 20 to July 20, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Costume pearls and old ties for a special event in a Cabrini-Green school

New children's games and toys to be used as prizes in Fourth Church's Reading Readiness program

Men's T-shirts in large sizes

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, the Young Adults weekly fellowship opportunity, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

The Undergraduate and Graduate Students College Connection Groups meet today at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse for a light lunch and discussion.

Cornerstones, a gathering of couples over the age of 50, will meet Friday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and a presentation by John Buchanan on politics and religion. To RSVP, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by Sunday, May 1.

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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STEWARDSHIP

Bible Study opportunities this week:

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

Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Women's, Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Adult education courses offered today by the Academy for Faith and Life are "Introduction to Church History, Part 3" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 9:30 a.m. and "Prayer and Wholeness" (Anderson Hall N. Balcony) and "God's World? Our World?" (Anderson Hall S. Balcony) at 11:00 a.m.

Audio CDs of the Academy class

"Introduction to Church History: The Christian Church from the Apostles to the Early Reformers," taught by John Cairns, are available at the Academy table during Coffee Hour.

Two new seminars are being offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center:

a seminar focused on performance enhancement and achieving specific goals begins this Monday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m.; "Integrating Sexuality and Spirituality," a seminar designed to address how humanity and spirituality impact one another, begins this Thursday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m. To register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

A variety of health seminars are being offered by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church. "Communicating with Someone Who Has Mild Cognitive Impairment" will take place this Tuesday, April 26 at 12:00 noon. "Take Good Care: Safety in Health Care Settings" will take place next Sunday, May 1 at 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact Terrill Stumpf at the Center at 312.981.3396.

Books by Women meets next on Tuesday, May 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495.

"Leading toward the Light: Christ-Centered Leadership for a Diverse Urban Congregation," an interactive forum for current, new, and past Fourth Church lay leaders, will take place Saturday, May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. To RSVP or for more information, call Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369 by Wednesday, May 4.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet next for breakfast on Saturday, May 14 at 8:00 a.m. Warren Batts, a retired CEO, will lead a discussion on the theme "Mission Impossible? Leading an Ethical Corporation." Reserve a space by calling the church at 312.787.4570 by Friday, May 13. All are welcome.

MUSIC AND THE ARIS

Fourth Acts, a group that expresses and enjoys God's presence through theater, will present *The Women of Lockerbie* by Deborah Brevoort on Wednesday, April 27 and Saturday, May 14. Both performances are free and will take place in Blair Chapel at 7:30 p.m.

The Chicago Chamber Orchestra will perform a free concert on Sunday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Festival of the Heart, a performance by students from the Near North Magnet Cluster, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, May 25 and 26. Both performances will be at 4:00 p.m. at Near North Career Academy (1450 N. Larrabee). For free tickets, call Diana Anton at the church at 312.981.3561.

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 24-30, 2005

Sunday, April 24

7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14 Sanctuary
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Linda Loving preaching	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Crow's Nest
9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Linda Loving preaching	Parish House
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Dining Room
9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Page Smith Room
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Junior High Academy Class	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Dining Room
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Crow's Nest
10:45 a.m.	Junior Highs	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Linda Loving preaching	Parish House
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Page Smith Room
12:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Class	Manse
12:30 p.m.	College Connection Groups	Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Keith C. Harris preaching	Anderson Hall
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	

Monday, April 25

9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Monday-Friday)	Stone Chapel
6:15 p.m.	Interfaith Passover Seder	(see announcement)
7:30 p.m.	Performance Enhancement Seminar	Counseling Center

Tuesday, April 26

5:00 p.m.	Sewing and Knitting Workshop	Large Conference Room
12:00 p.m.	"Mild Cognitive Impairment" Seminar	Dining Room

Wednesday, April 27

9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	"Parents of Tots"	Manse
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
7:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts Performance: <i>The Women of Lockerbie</i>	Blair Chapel

Thursday, April 28

11:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Large Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Spring Choral Concert Rehearsal	Blair Chapel
7:30 p.m.	"Integrating Sexuality and Spirituality"	Counseling Center

Friday, April 29

10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Mathew Daniels, classical guitar	Sanctuary

Saturday, April 30

5:30 p.m.	Healthy Community Fun Fair	(see announcement)
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Preaching on Sunday, May 1

John M. Buchanan	8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.	
Carol J. Allen	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. Weekday parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at 900 North Michigan at the rate of \$6.00. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.