

September 3–9, 2006

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News and Opportunities

ENRICHMENT

Get connected through fellowship, education, and service at Fourth Church! On Sunday, September 10, all are invited to Anderson Hall following worship to learn about educational opportunities, fellowship groups, faith-building groups, Bible studies, choirs, and other events. On Sunday, September 17, all are encouraged to visit the Volunteer Fair during Coffee Hour.

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

The Center for Older Adults fall open house will be held Thursday, September 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in Anderson Hall.

The Fourth Church Men's Group will meet for breakfast on Saturday, September 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. John Buchanan will be speaking. RSVP by 12:00 noon on September 8 by calling 312.787.4570. All are welcome.

William Willimon, a Methodist bishop, well-known preacher, and former Dean of the Chapel at Duke University, will be the featured speaker at the *Christian Century*-sponsored dinner on Thursday, September 28 and workshop on Friday, September 29. For information about the costs for the dinner and the workshop and for reservations, contact the *Century* at 312.263.7510, ext. 229.

Women's Bible Study will kick off the year on Wednesday, September 20 at 11:30 a.m. This year's theme is *Women at the Well: Encounters with Women in the Bible and in Our Midst*. For more information, please call Lisa Cochrane at 312.640.5495.

Life Line vascular health screenings will be offered Friday, September 29 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Registration is required and appointments fill quickly. To register, call 1.800.643.6075.

Poet and author Wendell Berry will speak at a Michigan Avenue Forum on Wednesday, October 4 at 7:30 p.m. The event will be preceded by a congregational dinner in Anderson Hall at 6:30 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room.

"Books by Women," a book group reading works by women authors, will meet this Tuesday, September 5 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Leap of Faith: Memoirs of an Unexpected Life* by Queen Noor.

Cornerstones, a group of couples over 50, will meet Friday, September 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manse. John Buchanan will be speaking.

“The Da Vinci Code—Fact? Fiction?”

is the topic that will be discussed by Margaret M. Mitchell, Professor of New Testament and Early Christian Literature at the University of Chicago, at the Friday, September 8 meeting of Fourth Dimension. All are welcome at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. RSVP by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494 by September 7.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of gays, lesbians, and friends, will meet for brunch next Sunday, September 10 at 12:30 p.m. To RSVP, call the Fourth Forum Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

Faith Builder Small Groups provide an opportunity for adults to meet regularly to support one another in living out their Christian faith. To learn about new groups forming now, contact Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369.

The Fourth Church Community Book Group, a monthly opportunity to discuss a book that brings words and faith together, will meet Tuesday, September 26 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss *Jayber Crow* by Wendell Berry.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Sunday school does not meet today but resumes next Sunday, September 10, with classes at both 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Nursery care is expanded to include older preschoolers today.

There is no youth fellowship today. All youth and their parents are invited to the Youth Kickoff Luncheon next Sunday, September 10 at 12:30 p.m. in the Garth.

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Those interested in volunteering as a tutor in the Chicago Lights Tutoring program are invited to attend one of three identical orientation sessions on September 5, 7, or 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For more information, call Alex Ciesla in the Chicago Lights office at 312.981.3565.

Additional Volunteer Needs

Assistants to perform 10–20 hours of light office work for Chicago Lights Assistants for Kids’ Cafe, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. one afternoon a week
Cooks and servers for the Sunday and Monday night suppers

Current Donation Needs

Bedroom furniture and gas stove for a family in need
Back-to-school supplies to benefit children in need (list available at the Volunteer table)

For more information and a list of additional needs, stop by the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour or contact Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at the church at 312.981.3382.

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.

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

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, September 22.

Printed copies of the daily devotions, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks. They are also available by e-mail. Send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Growing Relationships, an exhibit featuring photographs from the Chicago Avenue Community Garden, is on display in the Gallery. For more information about the Garden, call Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369.

Meet artist Granite Amit today between 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Loggia. Her installation, *The Post Narrative*, is on display in the Loggia through October 4.

Fourth Church organist John Sherer will perform Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Chancel Choir invites additional voices to join them in singing during 8:00 a.m. worship throughout the school year. The choir's weekly rehearsals resume this Thursday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Dave Brubeck and the Dave Brubeck Quartet will be in concert on Wednesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. The quartet will be joined by the Fourth Church Morning Choir and Tower Brass. Beginning this Wednesday, tickets will be available by calling the church at 312.640.2570 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. or by visiting www.ticketweb.com.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Eight mission trip participants traveling to Guatemala depart this Tuesday, September 5 and will return Thursday, September 14. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.

The 2006 Crop Walk will take place Sunday, October 15. The kickoff is at 2:00 p.m. at the University of Illinois, Chicago. For more information, to make a donation, or to register for the walk, visit www.fourthchurch.org/cropwalk.html.

Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price, a documentary film about this corporate giant, will be shown on Sunday, September 17 at 4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall as part of a documentary film series sponsored by the Mission Committee.

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

NEWS AND RESOURCES

"Start Up Chicago," a class on entrepreneurship, is being offered by the Career Transitions Center of Chicago beginning Tuesday, September 19. Those interested in attending the class are invited to meet the instructor, Tom Murray, at Fourth Church next Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 a.m. For more information, visit www.ctcchicago.org.

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.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 3–9, 2006

Sunday, September 3		
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Study	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
10:30 a.m.	Children's Corner	Garth
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Meet Artist Granite Amit	Loggia
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Adam Fronczek preaching	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Joyce Shin preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall
Monday, September 4	LABOR DAY—Church Office Closed	
Tuesday, September 5		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Tuesday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
4:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours (Tuesday–Friday)	Chicago Avenue Garden
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring Orientation	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	“Books by Women”	Large Conference Room
Wednesday, September 6		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
Thursday, September 7		
10:00 a.m.	Center for Older Adults Open House	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Tutoring Orientation	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, September 8		
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: John Sherer, organist	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Anderson Hall
6:00 p.m.	Cornerstones	Manse
Saturday, September 9		
8:00 a.m.	Men's Group Breakfast	Dining Room
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours	Chicago Avenue Garden

Preaching on Sunday, September 10

John M. Buchanan 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Catherine Knott 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.