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April 15–21, 2007

News and Opportunities

NEWS AND RESOURCES

The congregation is hosting a special reception in Anderson Hall following 9:30 and 11:00 worship to show support for the newly ordained and installed officers as well as those continuing their service and to thank the outgoing officers.

All-you-can-eat pancakes or scrambled eggs, with a side of sausage, are being served at today's pancake breakfast between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Prepared and served by the Fourth Church Senior Highs, this breakfast will raise funds for their July 28–August 4 Work Camp Trip to Hazard, Kentucky. Omelets, made to order by John Vest for an additional donation, are also available. Tickets are available at the door.

Fourth Church is conducting a survey about the ways in which the church and Chicago Lights undertake stewardship and fund-raising efforts. This survey is available online at www.fourthchurch.org and during Coffee Hour through the end of April. For more information, stop by Coffee Hour or contact Lisa Radetski at 312.981.3380.

John Buchanan will be attending the Senior Pastors' Consultation of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches in Geneva, Switzerland, this week, where he will also be participating in a panel discussing "Building Stronger, Effective Ministries in Large Reformed Churches."

Graduating in 2007? Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree are asked to contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org) by Monday, May 14 so that they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 20.

The first-ever Chicago Avenue Community Garden Cookbook is available at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour. Copies can also be ordered by contacting Anne Ellis at the church (312.573.3369; aellis@fourthchurch.org). Proceeds benefit the Chicago Avenue Community Garden.

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.

The Fourth Church website www.fourthchurch.org makes available audio of the previous Sunday morning's worship service, including the sermon; the text of worship bulletins, "News and Opportunities," and the newsletter *Fourth Press*; programming information; and more.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

Sunday School meets today at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Westminster House.

Children's Story Time takes place today in the southwest corner of Anderson Hall during Coffee Hour.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

Today is the final day “Look and Leave: New Orleans in the Wake of Katrina,” an exhibition of photographs by Jane Fulton Alt, is on display in the Loggia.

“Faces of Friends” is the theme of the art exhibit on display now in the Gallery. The exhibit features art by children of Fourth Church’s Children’s Center, Day School, Sunday School, and Tutoring program.

Fourth Acts will present a preview of their performance “A Plain Talk about the Theater” 125 Years Later, a reenactment of Dr. Herrick Johnson’s controversial sermon about theater and the response it received, today at 1:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel. Regular performances will be Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m.

The Festival of the Artful Spirit, showcasing artwork by members of the Center for Life and Learning, will be celebrated with an opening reception on May 3 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. This year’s festival will also include a special program on outsider and folk art, beginning with a 2:00 p.m. lecture and slide show presented by Susann Craig, co-founder of Intuit: The Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art. Interactive workshops will follow the lecture and give participants a chance to explore the mind, body, and spirit connection to creativity. For more information or to register for the lecture and workshops, contact Mary Belcastro in the Center for Life and Learning office at 312.981.3386 (mbelcastro@fourthchurch.org).

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Volunteer Needs

Individuals with expertise in retail, sales, and marketing to join the Holiday Card Committee

Monthly office assistant for Fourth Church Sunday School

Cooks to prepare and deliver casseroles to people in temporary need

Volunteers to remove blue bows from trees on Monday, April 30

Current Donation Needs

Individually packaged toothbrushes and toothpaste for Elam Davies Social Service Center guests

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

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Information about encouraging Congress to address global warming by cutting carbon emissions by 80 percent by 2050, as well as a letter to sign, is available at the Advocacy table during Coffee Hour.

Hurricanes on the Brink, a documentary film about the possible link between global warming and the increase in sea surface temperatures and the number of hurricanes, will be shown today at 4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall.

Applications for the August 3–12 mission trip to Guatemala are due May 21.

The application deadline for the trip to Northern Ireland (September 7–14) is June 4. For details and an application form, visit www.fourthchurch.org or pick up a brochure from the literature racks.

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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Earth Sunday will be celebrated on May 6 during Coffee Hour in Anderson Hall. Information and resources will be provided by various agencies and organizations to help those attending take steps in their own lives to be stewards of God's creation.

ENRICHMENT

Bible Study opportunities this week:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Morning, Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.
Women's, Wednesday at 11:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.
Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

A new Academy for Faith and Life class begins today: "Church and State in the East and West," taught by Azam Nizamuddin (Anderson Hall N. Balcony B), at 11:00 a.m. Continuing today are ***The Responsible Self* by Richard H. Niebuhr,** taught by Joyce Shin (Anderson Hall N. Balcony A), and **"Wrestling with Scripture: Jesus and Money,"** taught by Adam Fronczek (Anderson Hall S. Balcony), at 9:30 a.m.

"Awareness of Deep Vein Thrombosis," an information session offered by the Center for Whole Health, a program of Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church, will be held Tuesday, April 24. The presentation begins at 12:00 noon; those who want to enjoy lunch fellowship are invited to bring a brown-bag lunch to the Page Smith Room at 11:30 a.m.

***The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien** will be the topic of the Community Book Group gathering on Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Page Smith Room. John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry, will lead the discussion.

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 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 who is in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

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, April 27.

FELLOWSHIP

Mom's Group, a time to meet new moms and explore the spiritual aspects of motherhood, will be offered on Mondays, beginning April 16, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in a member's home. Child care will be provided. For more information, contact Carol Allerton at the church at 312.640.5448.

ThirtiesForties will meet next Sunday, April 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Manse for an open house.

"The Tuskegee Airmen: Living History" will be the topic of a program presented by these World War II heroes on Friday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. To RSVP for this program and light buffet dinner hosted by Cornerstones, call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454.

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 15–21, 2007

Sunday, April 15

7:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Nursery	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m.	Children's Story Time	Anderson Hall
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Senior Highs Pancake Breakfast	Dining Room
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Activity Center
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
9:30 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall Balconies
9:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Activity Center
10:30 a.m.	Congregational Reception for Officers	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Children's Story Time	Anderson Hall
10:30 a.m.	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Activity Center
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship John M. Buchanan preaching	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Westminster House
11:00 a.m.	Academy for Faith and Life	Anderson Hall N. Balcony
12:00 p.m.	Congregational Reception for Officers	Anderson Hall
12:00 p.m.	Children's Story Time	Anderson Hall
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering	Randolph Room
1:00 p.m.	Fourth Acts Performance	Blair Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
4:00 p.m.	Documentary Film	Anderson Hall
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers Calum I. MacLeod preaching	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall

Monday, April 16

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Monday–Friday)	Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Mom's Group	<i>(see announcement)</i>

Wednesday, April 18

9:30 a.m.	Morning Bible Study	Large Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Benevolent Guild	Page Smith Room
11:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room

Thursday, April 19

6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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Friday, April 20

10:00 a.m.	Center for Life and Learning Bible Study	Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Earline Moulder, organ	Sanctuary

Saturday, April 21

9:00 a.m.	Inquirers' Class	Page Smith Room
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Preaching on Sunday, April 22

Alice M. Trowbridge	8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Hardy Kim	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.