

# News and Opportunities

### 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 remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

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.

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 24.

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.

**Printed copies of recent sermons** are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

### MISSION AND OUTREACH

Mission trip participants traveling to Guatemala depart Friday, August 3. They will return on Sunday, August 12. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

Giving a gift to the Chicago Lights
Annual Fund makes a difference in
the lives of those served by Chicago
Lights—more than 7,000 people each
year, including 400 students in the
Tutoring and Scholarship program.
Between now and August 31, every
\$2 donated to Chicago Lights will
receive a \$1 match from an anonymous
donor, up to \$50,000. Donations can be
made using the cards available in the
literature racks throughout the building
and online at www.chicagolights.org. For
more information, contact Katy Frey at
312.274.3816 (kfrey@fourthchurch.org).

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 or can be dropped off at the church reception desk during the week. A list of suggested supplies is available at the Volunteer table during Coffee Hour today and at www.fourthchurch.org/women.html. For more information, call Anne Ellis at the church at 312.573.3369.

### **NEWS AND RESOURCES**

The Chicago Avenue Community Garden will be open for gardening during the following hours each week: Tuesday–Friday: 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information or to sign up for the garden e-mail newsletter, call Anne Ellis at the church at 312.573.3369 or visit www.fourthchurch.org/mission.html.

A golf outing to support Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan, will be held on Monday, August 27 at Naperbrook Golf Course in Plainfield. For more information about this event, in which congregations from throughout the Presbytery of Chicago are participating, visit www.prescamps.org/signup.shtml or call John Vest at 312.981.4037.

To read *Fourth Press* online, go to www.fourthchurch.org/newsletters.html. This monthly newsletter of Fourth Church is also available in the literature racks.

Nominating forms for the offices of Elder, Deacon, and Trustee can be found in the pew racks and the literature racks. Use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry of this congregation. Forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church.

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:** *Noonday,* Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.

Old Testament images in the Gospel of John will be the topic of the John Knox Bible Study for the next three weeks. The oldest continuous Bible study in the city of Chicago, the John Knox class meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room.

"Discovering the Sacred in the Ordinary," the Fourth Church Summer Poetry Group, meets this Thursday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The group writes poetry and discusses using poetry as a way of uncovering sacred moments in everyday life. For more information, contact Anne Ellis at the church at 312.573.3369 (aellis@fourthchurch.org).

The second part of "Strong at the Broken Places," a journal- and memoir-writing workshop with Carol LaChapelle, will be offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center on Wednesday, August 8 from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. For more information and to register, call the Counseling Center at 312.787.8425.

# **STEWARDSHIP**

Thank you to everyone who has already made a commitment to the 2007 Stewardship Campaign. We have raised more than ever before, with \$3,169,603 from 1,348 households. If you have not yet completed your pledge card, please place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. For more information, call Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at the church at 312.981.3380.

*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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# **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

Volunteer Needs

Office assistant for Sunday School, once a month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Sunday School teachers for the fall, alternate Sundays paired with a partner, all grades; orientation will be provided

**Cooks and servers** for Sunday Night Supper

Volunteers to operate sanctuary audiovisual equipment as needed on weekdays, Saturdays, Sundays, and at occasional Vespers services

Leaders for Fourth Church youth programs and special activities

**Current Donation Needs** 

**Men's casual summer clothes**, especially jeans and belts in larger sizes

Children's and women's golf club sets for diabetic children in a summer program on a reservation

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 call Larry Nicholson at the church at 312.981.3382.

# **FELLOWSHIP**

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals in their twenties and thirties, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. On summer Mondays at 6:30 p.m., young adults are invited to play volleyball at Oak Street Beach.

Mom's Group, a time to meet new moms and explore the spiritual aspects of motherhood, meets this Monday, July 30 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in a member's home. Child care will be provided. For more information, call Carol Allerton at the church at 312.640.5448.

### Historian and author Carl Smith

will speak about his book, *The Plan of Chicago: Daniel Burnham and the Remaking of the American City,* on Sunday, August 12 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Chicago Yacht Club. Reservations are required. To RSVP for this program hosted by Fourth Dimension, call the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494 by August 5.

# CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND, FAMILY

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

Children's Story Time takes place today on the steps in the southeast corner of the Garth during Coffee Hour following 9:30 worship.

Senior Highs are in Hazard, Kentucky, this week, where they are building and repairing homes with the Hazard/Perry County Housing Development Alliance. The group will return on Saturday, August 4. Please keep these youth and their leaders in your prayers as they travel to and from and participate in this mission trip experience.

# MUSIC AND THE ARTS

"Love, Loss, and Longing," a photo exhibition on the impact of U.S. travel policy on Cuban-American families, is on display in the Loggia through July 31. "Our Cuba Connection: Photos of Fourth Church Mission Trips to Havana" is on display in the Gallery through the end of July.

Outdoor concerts in the Garth take place each Friday at 12:10 p.m. This week's free concert will feature the Petra van Nuis Trio. A schedule of upcoming concerts in the "Music by the Fountain" series, which continues through August, is available in the literature racks.

# CALENDAR FOR JUly 22-28, 2007

Sunday, July 29			
7:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Nursery		Westminister 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preach	
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preach	ing Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Stu	dy	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour and Chi	ldren's Story Time	Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Cynthia Campbell preach	ing Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Cente	r Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehea	rsal	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Calum I. MacLeod preach	ing Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	•	Anderson Hall
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Monday, July 30			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Mom's Group		(see announcement)
6:30 p.m.	Young Adults Volley	ball	(see announcement)
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Tuesday, July 31			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Community Garden Hours (Tuesday–Friday)		Chicago Avenue Garden
Wednesday, August 1			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Stud	y	Large Conference Room
Thursday, August 2			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Poetry Group		Page Smith Room
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Friday, August 3			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Pe	etra van Nuis Trio	Garth
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Saturday, August 4			
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Community Garden	Hours	Chicago Avenue Garden

# Preaching on Sunday, August 5

Calum I. MacLeod 8:00, 9:30,and 11:00a.m. Adam Fronczek 6:30p.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.