

# News and Opportunities

#### **WORSHIP**

Mr. Rodger Nishioka, Associate Professor of Christian Education at Columbia Theological Seminary, will be the guest preacher at tonight's Vespers service. During the service, Pastoral Resident Hardy Kim will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament at that service.

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 in Stone Chapel after 11:00 worship.

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.

A service in the style of Taizé will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel on June 27, the fourth Friday of the month.

### **ENRICHMENT**

## Bible Study opportunities:

John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. Life and Learning, Fridays at 10:00 a.m. **Daily devotions** written by Fourth Church staff members are available in the literature racks, by e-mail from devotions@fourthchurch.org, and online at www.fourthchurch.org.

An eleven-week Nia fitness class will begin Wednesday, July 9. Classes are held on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. at Fourth Church and are sponsored by the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health. Registration is required. To register or for information about class fees, visit www.niachicago. com or call the Nia Class Infoline at Fourth Church at 312.787.2729, ext. 371.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

## This weekend Elevation youth

(grades 6–7) are at Illinois State University to help with the Illinois Special Olympics. Please keep these youth and their leaders in prayer as they participate in this mission trip experience and travel back home.

**Summer Sunday School** for preschoolers through fifth graders meets at 9:30 a.m. There is expanded nursery care for infants through kindergarteners at 11:00 a.m.

**Fourth Church youth** do not have regular gatherings on Sunday mornings during the summer. Watch for information about special events and other gatherings.

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

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 Fourth Acts theater ensemble extends an open invitation to all to attend their indoor picnic and reading of biblical TV scripts today at 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Soprano Alexia Kruger, a member of the Fourth Church Morning Choir, will perform this Friday's free Noonday Concert at 12:10 p.m. in the sanctuary. Beginning Friday, July 11, the weekly Friday Noonday Concerts will move outside to the Garth for the July and August "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. Hanging in the Loggia is the
exhibition "Caring for Creation:
Illinois Beauty," photographs by Fourth
Church members Marija Petrauskas and
Tom Rossiter.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

The annual all-church picnic will be held at the Chicago Avenue Community Garden (Chicago Avenue, between Hudson and Cleveland) on Saturday noon, June 28. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

The Gathering, a fellowship opportunity for individuals age twenty-five to thirty-five, meets today at 12:15 p.m. in the Randolph Room. The Reverend Nanette Sawyer of Wicker Park Grace will talk about new models for church and community. Young adults are also invited to join in weekly volleyball at Oak Street Beach (6:00 p.m. on Mondays). For details, contact Hardy Kim at 312.274.3834 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).

## MISSION AND OUTREACH

The Chicago Avenue Community 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. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 (nholbert@fourthchurch.org).

## **NEWS AND RESOURCES**

#### 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.

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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Gifts made by check to Fourth

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will begin to be processed in a more efficient, electronic way by the Fourth Church accounting department. Because of this new scanning process, beginning June 15 your bank statement may report the check payment as "Electronic Funds Withdrawal or Transfer" rather than "Check Paid" (in which case you will not receive the cashed check back from your financial institution). The funds also may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day Fourth Church or Chicago Lights receives your check. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact Candi Wiggins in the Giving Ministries office at 312.274.3822.

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 about planned giving, contact Lisa Radetski, Director of Giving Ministries, at 312.981.3380 (lradetski@fourthchurch.org).

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

Hancock Garage parking tickets must be validated in the Narthex on Sunday mornings in order to receive reduced parking rates. Those rates are good for three hours on Sunday mornings.

The June issue of Fourth Press was mailed on May 30 (and is online at www. fourthchurch.org). If you do not receive it in a timely manner, please let your mail carrier and postal substation know of your concerns about the delivery delay.

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

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.

### **VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS**

The 2009 Mission Benefit Committee needs volunteers to secure financial and in-kind donations from individuals, businesses, or corporations to support this annual event held in February. Funds raised through the Benefit support Chicago Lights and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center. An informational meeting will be held Tuesday, June 17 at 6:00 pm in the Manse. For information or to volunteer, contact Katy Frey at 312.274.3816 (kfrey@fourthchurch.org).

#### Other Volunteer Needs

Tennis coaches and assistants for Fourth Church's children's tennis camp, Monday through Wednesday, June 16 to July 23, 5:15–6:30 p.m.

Observers of exemplary teachers in Chicago Public Schools programs Grocery shoppers for Sunday and Monday Night Suppers

#### **Current Donation Needs**

**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

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

# CALENDAR FOR JUNE 15-21, 2008

Sunday, June 15			
7:50 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Nursery	All 36 m 1 11	Westminster 14
8:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Alice M. Trowbridge preac	•
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preach	•
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School		Westminster House
9:30 a.m.	John Knox Bible Stud	ly	Page Smith Room
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour		Garth
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	John M. Buchanan preach	
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.	Church Tour		Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	The Gathering		Randolph Room
12:30 p.m.	Fourth Acts		Activity Center
4:00 p.m.	Social Service Center	Sunday Night Supper	Dining Room
5:30 p.m.	Vespers Choir Rehear		Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Vespers	Rodger Nishioka preaching	g; Sanctuary
_	-	Hardy Kim ordination	
7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	•	Anderson Hall
Monday, June 16			
9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (also Wednesday–Friday)		Stone Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Young Adults Volleyball		Oak Street Beach
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group		Counseling Center
Tuesday, June 17			
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer		Stone Chapel
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.			Community Garden
6:00 p.m.	Mission Benefit Committee Kickoff		Manse
Wednesday, June 18			
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	,	Large Conference Room
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Friday, June 20	Conton for I if a 1 I		Dama Consista Damas
10:00 a.m.	Center for Life and Learning Bible Study Noonday Concert: Alexia Kruger, soprano		Page Smith Room
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Al	exia Kruger, soprano	Sanctuary
Saturday, June 21			
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Open Garden Hours		Community Garden

## Preaching on Sunday, June 22

Donna Gray 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Trina Portillo 6:30 p.m.