

August 14–20, 2011

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# News and Opportunities

## WORSHIP

**On September 11, a community service of commemoration** will be held at Fourth Church at 7:00 p.m. Cohosted by Chicago Sinai Congregation, the Downtown Islamic Center, Fourth Church, and Holy Name Cathedral, it will include reflections by John Buchanan and other representatives from each of the faith communities as well as the world premiere of Aaron David Miller's "Voices of Peace," sung by a 95-member choir and based on children's poetry about peace.

**A jazz service** is held each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and includes Communion. A Bible study and sermon discussion follow the service.

**Morning Prayer** is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m.

**A service in the style of Taizé** is held at 7:30 p.m. each fourth Friday of the month. The next service will be Friday, August 26. For more information about the service, visit [www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/taize.html).

**Special prayer requests** are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

## MUSIC AND THE ARTS

**Anyone interested in singing** during the community service of commemoration at Fourth Church on September 11 is invited to join the choirs of Holy Name Cathedral, Fourth Church, and Chicago Sinai Congregation for rehearsals on Thursday, September 1 and 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. For information, call John Sherer at 312.981.3592.

**Vocalist Laura Freeman** will perform this Friday's free outdoor concert at 12:10 p.m. in the courtyard.

**An art exhibition, "Seeing with Indian Eyes,"** by P. Solomon Raj, will be on display in the Loggia through mid-August.

## FELLOWSHIP

**Young Adults** meet today following 11:00 worship for a sermon discussion and fellowship. They also gather on Monday evenings for beach volleyball at 6:15 p.m. at Oak Street Beach.

**"Small Bites, Small Bands,"** featuring local bands and food from Chicago chefs, will take place on Friday, August 19 at 4:00 p.m. at the Chicago Lights Urban Farm (444 W. Chicago). This all-ages event is held on the third Friday of the month. For information, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 ([nholbert@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nholbert@fourthchurch.org)).

**Cornerstones** is gathering for an old-fashioned barbeque and potluck dinner on Friday, September 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Garth courtyard. To register (required), call the Cornerstones Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 454 by August 31.

## ENRICHMENT

### **Weekly Bible Study Opportunity**

*CLL* Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**“Go with the Grain,”** a cooking demonstration, will take place on Thursday, August 18 at 11:30 a.m. in the 737 building. To register (required), contact Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

**Inquirers’ Class** offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Saturday, August 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the Randolph Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

**T’ai Chi classes** offered through the Chicago Lights Center for Whole Health will be held on Thursdays beginning September 8 in the 737 building. To register (required), call the T’ai Chi InfoLine at 312.787.2729, ext. 388.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

**Summer Sunday School** for preschool through fifth grade meets today at 9:30 a.m.

**Single parents** interested in forming a group to talk about the joys and challenges of parenting are invited to contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

**The nursery for young children** is located in the Page Smith Room and Second-Floor Conference Room.

**Vacation Bible School** for preschoolers through fifth-graders is August 15–19. The “Hometown Nazareth”-themed program is held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**A drop-in playgroup** for parents and their children is held on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Page Smith Room. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (lnickerson@fourthchurch.org).

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

### *Current Donation Needs*

**Men’s shoes and pants** for the Elam Davies Social Service Center

### *Current Volunteer Needs*

**Adult assistants for Vacation Bible School** August 15–19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Adults to assist with the Urban Farm** children’s summer program August 22-26 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

**Church members** to teach Sunday School in the fall

**Clothes sorters** for the Elam Davies Social Service Center on weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**Cooks/servers** for the weekly Social Service Center Sunday night supper

**Church members to usher** at the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services

**Church members to replenish a care team** for a family with a chronically ill child (60618 zip code)

*For details or to volunteer, visit the Volunteer Table during Coffee Hour or call Larry Nicholson, Director of Volunteer Ministry, at 312.981.3382.*

*News and Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at [www.fourthchurch.org](http://www.fourthchurch.org).

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## MISSION AND OUTREACH

**The Annual School Supply Drive**, organized by Women@Fourth Connect and the Mission Committee, is underway and continues through August 28. The top five items needed this week are pencils (packs of 8–12), backpacks (extra-large), backpacks (small, for preschool and kindergarten), black ink pens (packs of 8–12), and spiral notebooks (wide-ruled). Donations can be dropped off at Coffee Hour, or, during the week, at the church reception desk or at the 737 building. For a complete list of items needed, call Anne Ellis at 312.573.3369 or visit [www.fourthchurch.org/women.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/women.html).

**A Guatemala mission trip over Christmas break** will provide an opportunity to help build a home and a school outside of Antigua. For information or to apply, contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384 ([vreynolds@fourthchurch.org](mailto:vreynolds@fourthchurch.org)) by Monday, September 19.

**A letter urging Illinois state senators to support an increase in the minimum wage** in Illinois is available for signing at the Mission Table during Coffee Hour and is also online at [www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/advocacy.html).

**The Chicago Lights Urban Farm** is holding open hours on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. New volunteer orientation is held each Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For details, contact Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 ([nholbert@fourthchurch.org](mailto:nholbert@fourthchurch.org)).

## NEWS AND RESOURCES

**The Chicago Architecture Foundation's** "Devil in the White City" tour will be available for all those sixty and more on Wednesday, August 24. For fee details or to register (required), call Ashley Elskus at 312.981.3387 by Monday, August 15.

**Those who have not yet completed a 2011 Giving Response Card** for the Church Alive Annual Appeal are encouraged to do so to help Fourth Church and Chicago Lights meet the need for the \$5.2 million in pledged gifts required for the 2011 budget. We are deeply grateful to the 1,001 households who have already made pledges, with commitments totaling \$3.7 million, helping to ensure that Fourth Church is truly a Church Alive. Pledges can be made at [www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html](http://www.fourthchurch.org/churchalive.html) or by using the Giving Response Cards available in the pew racks.

**Nominating forms for the officers of Elder, Deacon, Trustee, and Chicago Lights Board** are available in the pew racks and also can be completed online. Please use the forms to recommend Fourth Church members who have demonstrated gifts for leadership and ministry. Completed paper forms may be placed in the offering plate, dropped off at the reception desk, or mailed to the church. Recommendations will be received through September 30.

**A giving kiosk in the Narthex** makes it possible to use credit or debit cards to give to Fourth Church, Chicago Lights, or Project Second Century.

**Stay up-to-date on Fourth Church news, resources, photos:** "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook; follow Fourth Church on Twitter (@FourthChicago).

**Daily devotions**, written by Fourth Church staff, are available in the literature racks, via Facebook and Twitter, and by email: send email addresses to [devotions@fourthchurch.org](mailto:devotions@fourthchurch.org).

**Fourth Presbyterian Church** strives to be a welcoming, serving community. We affirm the worth of all and nurture each individual's spiritual pilgrimage.

**CALENDAR FOR August 14–20, 2011**

**Sunday, August 14**

7:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Nursery	Page Smith Room/Conference Room
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>Kerri N. Allen preaching</b>
9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John W. Vest preaching</b>
9:30 a.m.	Summer Sunday School	Garth
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour	Anderson Hall Balconies/Manse
10:30 a.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Garth
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>John W. Vest preaching</b>
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer	Garth
12:15 p.m.	Church Tour	Stone Chapel
12:30 p.m.	Young Adults Gathering	Sanctuary
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	<b>John W. Vest preaching</b>
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Supper	(see announcement)
5:00 p.m.	Bible Study and Sermon Discussion	Sanctuary

**Monday, August 15**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School <i>(also Tuesday–Friday)</i>	Anderson Hall
6:15 p.m.	Young Adults Beach Volleyball	Oak Street Beach
7:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group	Lorene Replogle Counseling Center

**Tuesday, August 16**

9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
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**Wednesday, August 17**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:15 a.m.	Nia Fitness Class <i>(also Friday)</i>	737 Building

**Thursday, August 18**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
11:30 a.m.	“Go with the Grain”	737 Building

**Friday, August 19**

9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Stone Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Bridge Lessons	737 Building
10:30 a.m.	CLL Bible Study	Knox Room – 737 Building
12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Laura Freeman	Garth
4:00 p.m.	“Small Bites, Small Bands”	Urban Farm

**Saturday, August 20**

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	Inquirers’ Class	Randolph Room
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Playgroup	Page Smith Room
10:00 a.m.	Volunteering at the Urban Farm	444 W. Chicago Ave.

**Preaching on Sunday, August 21**

Calum I. MacLeod preaching	8:00 a.m.
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John W. Vest preaching	4:00 p.m.

Parking is available on Sundays at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75. Validation tickets for the 900 garage must be picked up during morning Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk. Discounted parking at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue, is available at the rate of \$6.00 on Sunday mornings only for three hours. Hancock tickets must be validated in the Narthex.