

CHRIST AND THE EPIPHANY

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, November 17Saturday, December 1,
Whatsoever You Do Statue
Sunday, November 18,
Deadline to order poinsettias
and wreaths
Monday, November 19, 6:00
p.m., Ecumenical Thanksgiving
Service
Saturday, December 1, 9:00
a.m.-3:00 p.m., Annual
Christmas Fair

Around Town
Friday, November 9, 6:009:00 p.m., Saturday,
November 10, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00
p.m., Christmas Fair at Old
Stone Church
Sunday, November 11, 11:00
a.m., 100th Anniversary of
World War I Armistice

Vestry Summary Susan Shultz

Missional Priest - I thank God for the privilege of my one-year anniversary in carrying God's Mission of reconciliation and restoration here at Christ and The Epiphany. I also thank everyone for their support of various outreach efforts I have undertaken such as the recent barrel shipment to Guinea.

Building & Grounds - We have two new tenants - "A Way of Life" (AWOL) will meet Sundays in the Great Hall from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. and The Shoreline Aquatic group (Tropical Fish club) will meet the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. We are also still working on a plan to get the floors in the Great Hall redone.

Outreach & Mission - The new backpack food program for school children is going well. As we near the end of the year we will need to disburse our accumulated mission money (currently a little over \$1,000). We have committed to helping Fr. Charles ship items to Guinea, and have an annual commitment to the Kateri mission. We are also looking to help the Women's clinic in Madagascar. If you have ideas for other outreach/mission opportunities including US or local options, please speak with Barbara Parsons.

Worship Commission

Looking for a mid-week "faith lift"? Starting November 7th, let's gather for a parishioner-led Wednesday evening prayer service at 7:00. Relax with prayer and reflection after the busyness of the day.

Event Details

100th Anniversary of World War I Armistice, Sunday, November 11, 11:00 a.m. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I and the signing of the armistice. There will be a short wreath laying ceremony

on the East Haven Green at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 17-Saturday, December 1. We are again hosting the powerful Whatsoever You Do Statue, which travels throughout Connecticut and beyond. We are especially blessed to display it during the Thanksgiving season.

Sunday, November 18, is the deadline to order poinsettias and wreaths. Poinsettias will be in 6 ½" pots available in red, white, pink, or marble. Wreaths will be 22" outside diameter with a bow. The sign-up sheet is posted in the Great Hall.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service, Monday, November 19, 6:00 p.m. Christ and The Epiphany will host this year's East Haven Ecumenical Thanksgiving service. Join us for a short service celebrating our community of faith.

Saturday, December 1, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Annual Christmas Fair. We still need unscratched scratch lottery tickets, volunteers to gather gift certificate donations, hand-crafted items, and raffle baskets. And most importantly, we need your help! See Carol Ude for details.



Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT)

The 234th Annual Convention of the ECCT was Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27 in Mystic, CT.

The following Resolutions were adopted as written or amended:

- Budget of Convention --ADOPTED
- 2. Clergy Compensation -- ADOPTED
- 3. Affirming Racial Healing, Justice, & Reconciliation --ADOPTED AS AMENDED
- 4. Episcopal Elections -- ADOPTED AS AMENDED
- Definition of Clergy in Good Standing in ECCT --TABLED
- 7. Status of St. Paul's
 Episcopal Church in
 Darien, CT -- ADOPTED
 UNANIMOUSLY AS
 AMENDED:
- 8. Beloved Children of God (Transgender Recognition & Affirmation) ADOPTED AS AMENDED. This resolution was submitted from the floor.

Resolution 5., the Definition of Clergy in Good Standing in ECCT was tabled.

Four questions were discussed among break-out working groups and their findings were presented to Convention:

- How do we meaningfully engage ECCT in the existing work of serving God's mission among the poor & marginalized?
- How can ECCT raise awareness of the sin of racism in our

- Church and promote healing toward true racial reconciliation?
- In these changing times and consequent needs of our worshiping communities, what are our expectations of priesthood leadership currently defined in ECCT as missional, provisional, conditional, or part-time?
- How would the practice of Open Communion change the life of the church?

Details of the above resolutions, reports, and findings are available on the ECCT website at episcopalct.org. Fr. Charles Kamano, Barbara Parsons, and Diane Villano can answer any questions you may have.

† The Many Voices of Christianity - SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS Susan Shultz



The Seventh-day
Adventist church
began in 1863 in
Michigan. It is the

largest of several Adventist groups arising from the 1840s "Second Great Awakening" movement in upstate New York. Its primary theology is very similar to common Protestant teachings such as belief in Scripture and the Triune God although they practice a more conservative approach such as not allowing same-sex marriages or ordaining women. Other distinguishing characteristics are its observance of Saturday as the Sabbath (i.e. seventh day) and emphasis on the

Church Life in Photos

Saturday, September 22 Handmade in Connecticut Craft Fair









Thanks to all our volunteers who spruced up the Great Hall, arranged tables and chairs, helped our crafters load and unload their wares, and cooked and delivered hot meals!

imminent Second Coming of Jesus Christ (advent).
Adventists do not believe in a soul. Instead at the Second Coming, the wicked will not go to hell but be permanently destroyed and the righteous will be resurrected to live with Christ.

There are over 25 million members worldwide, making it the fifth-largest Christian communion in the world. Most members are from developing nations in Africa and South America with only about 10% living in the US. The church operates numerous schools and hospitals. The church encourages outreach and mission and employs over 4,000 people to help provide relief in crises and poverty.

Seventh-day Adventist place importance on diet and health and many Adventists are vegetarians. Many early breakfast cereal advocates such as John Kellog were Seventh-day Adventists. Additionally, the church advocates a simple, wholesome lifestyle that respects nature, avoids the dangers of climate change and discourages overconsumption and what are viewed as negative social practices such as tattooing.

There are three Seventh-day Adventist churches in New Haven as well as one Spanish speaking church. See the church's website: www.adventist.org for more information.

Prayer Calendar (Thanks to Astrid Swanson)

Use this calendar to pray for different biblical virtues throughout the month.

- 1: **SALVATION** Lord, I pray that I obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus. (2 *Timothy* 2:10)
- 2: GOD'S GRACE I pray that I grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18)
- 3: **LOVE** Father, grant that I learn to live a life of love, through the Spirit who lives in me. (Ephesians 5:2)
- 4: **INTEGRITY** Lord, may integrity and uprightness protect me because my hope is in you. (*Psalm 25:21*)
- 5: **SELF-CONTROL** Father, help me be alert and self-controlled in all do. (1 Thessalonians 5:6)
- 6: LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD -Lord, may I regard your Word as more precious than gold and sweeter than honey. (Psalm 19:10)
- 7: JUSTICE God, help me to love justice as You do, and act justly in all I do. (Psalm 11:7)
 8: MERCY Oh Father, grant that I be full of compassion as you are Lord. (James 5:11)
 9: RESPECT Lord, help me show proper respect to everyone, as your Word commands. (1 Peter 2:17)
 10: SELF-ESTEEM God, help me develop a strong selfesteem rooted in the realization that I am Your

workmanship. (Ephesians 2:10)

- 11: FAITHFULNESS Let faithfulness never leave me, but bind this virtue around my neck. (Proverbs 3:3)
 12: COURAGE Lord, may I always be strong and courageous in my character and actions. (Deuteronomy 31:6)
- 13: **PURITY** Create in me a pure heart, O God, and let that purity of heart be shown in my life. (*Psalm 51:10*)
- 14: **KINDNESS** Father, I pray that I be kind to everyone. (1 Thessalonians 5:15)
- 15: **GENEROSITY** Lord, I pray that I be rich in good deeds, generous and willing to share. (1 Timothy 6:18)
- 16: **PEACE LOVING** Father God, help me make every effort to do what leads to peace. (*Romans 14:19*)
- 17: **JOY** Heavenly Father, grant that I be filled with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. (1 Thessalonians 1:6)
- 18: **PERSEVERANCE** Lord, teach me to persevere in all I do, and run with perseverance the race set before me. (Hebrews 12:1)
- 19: **HUMILITY** God, please cultivate in me the ability to show true humility toward all. (*Titus 3:2*)
- 20: **COMPASSION** Holy Father, I pray that You clothe me with the virtue of compassion. *(Colossians 3:12)* 21: **RESPONSIBILITY** Lord grant that I learn to be
- grant that I learn to be responsible, for each one should carry his own load. (Galatians 6:5)

22: **CONTENTMENT** - Father, teach me the secret of being content in every situation, through Him who gives me strength. (*Philippians 4:12*)
23: **FAITH** - Lord, help me fight the good fight of faith, taking hold of the eternal life to which I am called. (*1 Timothy 6:12*)

24: A SERVANT'S HEART - God, help me develop a servant's heart, that I may serve wholeheartedly. (Ephesians 6:7)

25: HOPE - God of hope, grant that I overflow with hope and hopefulness by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13) 26: PATIENCE - God, strengthen me with all power, so I may have great endurance and patience. (Galatians 5:22) 27: PASSION FOR THE LORD - Lord, I pray my soul would pant for you as the deer pants for streams of water. (Psalm 42:1)

28: WISDOM - Father, I pray I would ask and you would generously give wisdom to me as you promise. (James 1:5)
29: PRAYERFULNESS - I ask that I be committed to prayer, and not faint, lose heart or give up. (Luke 18:1)
30: GRATITUDE - Lord, help me live a life that overflows with thankfulness, always giving thanks to You. (Ephesians 5:20)

31: **BOLDNESS** - I pray that I would fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel of Christ Jesus. (*Ephesians 6:19*)

Church Life in Photos

Sunday, September 30 Blessing of the Animals











The East Haven Animal
Shelter was thrilled by the
turnout and generous
donations!



4-Nov James Reynolds 8-Nov Frederick Walters 9-Nov Carol Link-Ude 10-Nov Ray Clearwater 15-Nov Joyce Aurelius

Intercessory Prayers

Andrew, Beverly W., Bill Hodge, Carol, Carol C., David, Devin K., Diane, Eileen F., Eleanor N., Faith and Family, Father Eddie, Gale, Goodfellow Family, Greg T., Helen, Howard G., J.D., Jim C., JoAnn & Victoria, John A., John D., Joseph, Judy DeFeo, June W., Katherine Burdick, Katrina R., Ken Wortz, Lucas Sundwall, Mark Conti, Marjorie Cowles, Marty, Matt, Melissa D., Ray Link, Rachael, Rich & Judy, Richard, Salvatore D., Tom Z., Vivian S.

To submit names for the Intercessory Prayers list please call or email the church office. Names will be kept on the list for 3 months unless longer time is requested. If a person you have placed on the list recovers in less than 3 months or passes away, please update the church office.

December Newsletter

The deadline for the December 2018 issue of the newsletter is **November 19**. If you have contributions for the newsletter, email: newsletter.christandtheepipha ny@gmail.com, or for an update to the Birthday or Anniversary list, please call the church office at 203-467-2310. -Charlie Langlan & Susan Shultz, Editors

From Fr. Charles Kamano

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Special thanks to our parishioner Tony Lamberti and his family who donated a personal set of Chalice and Paten to Rev. Charles Kamano. The liturgical vessels were consecrated during the 8:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 21, 2018. Tony and Rev. Charles sang the "Our Father" and "Glory be to the Father" in Latin. A heartfelt thank you to the Lamberti Family for their faith and kindness.

Also Rev. Charles offers a big thank you to C&E Church, and to those who personally donated items as well as in cash in support of his mission to Guinea. The three barrels were picked up on Thursday, October 26, 2018. May the Lord richly reward you ALL. Amen.

TREASURERS REPORT

Susan Shultz

	UNDER/OVER			UNDER/OVER			
	SEP	BUDGET	YTD	YTD BUDGET			
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INCOME	\$10,409.89	\$2,611.56	\$76,739.66	\$2,694.69			
EXPENSES	\$7,245.05	(\$1,384.98)	\$79,473.87	(\$912.44)			
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NET	\$3,164.84	(\$3,996.54)	(\$2,734.21)	(\$3,607.31)			

Notes: The Thrift Store did extremely well in September. We also brought in \$1,000 with our first ever Craft Fair. Lastly, our Fundraising dinners were up over budget. It was a great month all around!

November 10:00 a.m. Worship Schedule

	4-Nov-18	11-Nov-18	18-Nov-18	25-Nov-18
Welcomer	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius	Kristina Langlan	Barbara Parsons
Crucifer				
Chalice		George		
Bearer	Kristina Langlan	Coulombe	Steve Langlan	Ron Blevins
Lector	Joyce Aurelius	Susan Shultz	Audrey Sundwall	Kristina Langlan
Usher	Gail Schappa	Audrey Sundwall	Gail Schappa	Audrey Sundwall
Lead Counter	George Coulombe	Astrid Swanson	George Coulombe	Susan Shultz
Counter	Sally Alexander	Fred Bowden	Diane Villano	Kristina Langlan

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Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Adult Education and Discussions 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with music