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Upcoming Events

Saturday, September 8, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Harvest Fair at the East Haven Fall Festival Wednesday, September 12, 8:00 a.m., breakfast before the 9:00 a.m. ECCT South Central Region, Hiking with the Rachels, Farm River State Park Saturday, September 15, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., South Central Region Fall 2018 Gathering, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 59 Main St., Cheshire, free tickets on Eventbrite Saturday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Handmade in **Connecticut Craft Fair** Sunday, September 30, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m., Blessing of the Animals Sunday, September 30, Social Media Sunday Friday and Saturday, October 26 and 27, ECCT'S 2018 Annual Convention, Mystic Saturday, November 17-Saturday, December 1, Whatsoever You Do Statue Saturday, December 1, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Annual Christmas Fair

Senior Warden Barbara Parsons

Hopefully everyone had a pleasant summer; whether you spent some restful time in an air-conditioned location or vacationed with loved ones, I hope it was a time of refreshment. I thought it would be a good idea to let everyone know how the Thrift Store is doing every month. So far this year, the Thrift Store has brought in \$4,357.80, which is \$1,000 over budget for the year. Thanks to Jan Cianelli and Melanie Johnson, the Thrift Store is still open on Tuesday and Thursday. Come in and see the new Children's Room that has been lovingly set up and organized.

I'd also like to report that the Mission Fund has collected \$1,051.74. We will be having a Family Meeting in September at which time we can discuss where our mission money will go. We need to challenge ourselves to move forward to a place of service to God's mission in this church and the world. So many people come into our building who desperately need to know the love, forgiveness and grace of God.

Looking forward to working together with love and consideration for one another.

Midnight Run

After much discussion regarding the actual recipients of our participation with this program, we have decided to withdraw from this Outreach. We believed that those who were without shelter should receive all of our offerings but that did not occur. We have

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decided that our new outreach program should support East Haven residents and that we can best support the less fortunate in East Haven by partnering with the East Haven Food Pantry Backpack Program. Every other week the Food Pantry provides food for students who would go hungry on the weekend without this needed support. More information regarding this Outreach will follow as October is the start of the 2018-2019 program year. The East Haven schools in conjunction with Social Services will determine those in need during the month of September. Last year the number of students in need totaled over 90.

Worship Commission Bible Study, Sunday at 9:00 a.m., and Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. is focusing on healing ministry; the central work of healing in the Gospel. Reading: "The Healing Reawakening: Reclaiming Our Lost Inheritance" by Francis MacNutt, available from Amazon.com in physical or electronic form.

Event Details

Harvest Fair, Saturday, September 8 We will once again have our bake sale in front of the church and a garage sale in the back, along with the Good Shepherd Thrift Store, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. We will also have a booth on the Green at the annual East Haven Fall Festival. Please consider crocheting, knitting, sewing or otherwise crafting autumnthemed items for our booth. A sign-up sheet for the bake sale will be posted in the Great Hall. Contact Carol Link-Ude or Diane Villano.

Breakfast before Hiking with the Rachels, Wednesday, September 12

At 8:00 a.m. meet at the church for breakfast, then at 9:00 a.m. join Rev's Rachel Field and Rachel Thomas for a one-mile hike at Farm River State Park. From East Haven center follow (Route 100) east and turn south on Hemingway Avenue/Route 142. Follow Route 142 for 1.6 miles to the parking area on the right (south) side of Route 142 (now Short Beach Road) between Fairview Avenue and Stone Pillar Road. A map of the park is available here: https://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/

deep/stateparks/maps/farmriv er.pdf. RSVP 484-364-9001 or 860-316-8184.

Handmade in Connecticut Craft Fair, Saturday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

We need your help to make this first-time event successful! Volunteers are needed to arrange tables the Friday before the fair, staff the kitchen, and help our crafters load/unload their merchandise. Or can you spare an hour or so to booth-sit for bathroom breaks? This is a wonderful opportunity to interact with the local creative community. See Carol Link-Ude or Diane Villano.

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, September 30, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bring your pet (or a photo of them) for a blessing from Fr. Charles Kamano. We are also collecting donations of pet food, toys, treats, and/or bedding for the East Haven Animal Shelter.

Social Media Sunday, September 30

Yes, you may bring your smart phone or other digital device to church and post photos and live stream videos. If this sounds like a foreign language, bring a child or grandchild with you!



Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT)

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

Please direct any questions about Convention to our 2018 delegates: Barbara Parsons and Diane Villano. When resolutions are posted on the ECCT website, a notice will be posted in our newsletter and on the main bulletin board in the Great Hall.



At General Convention in July, Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry invited the entire church to take up The Way of Love, a "rule of life" focused on practices for Jesus- Centered Life.



Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. - Ephesians 3:17-19

In the first century Jesus of Nazareth inspired a movement. A community of people whose lives were centered on Jesus Christ and committed to living the way of God's unconditional, unselfish, sacrificial, and redemptive love. Before they were called "church" or "Christian," this Jesus Movement was simply called "the way."

Today I believe our vocation is to live as the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. But how can we together grow more deeply with Jesus Christ at the center of our lives, so we can bear witness to his way of love in and for the world? The deep roots of our Christian tradition may offer just such a path. For centuries, monastic communities have shaped their lives around rhythms and disciplines for following Jesus together. Such a pattern is known as a "Rule of Life." The framework you now hold - **The Way of Love: Practices for Jesus-Centered Life** - outlines a Rule for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement.

It is designed to be spare and spacious, so that individuals, ministry groups, congregations, and networks can flesh it out in unique ways and build a church-wide treasure trove of stories and resources. There is no specific order you need to follow. If you already keep a Rule or spiritual disciplines, you might reflect and discover how that path intersects with this one. By entering into reflection, discernment and commitment around the practices of Turn - Learn -Pray - Worship - Bless - Go -**Rest**, I pray we will grow as communities following the loving, liberating, life-giving way of Jesus. His way has the power to change each of our lives and to change this world.

Your brother in the Way of Jesus,

+Michael

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, Primate and Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

† The Many Voices of Christianity - QUAKERS

Joyce Aurelius Quakers, also known as The Religious Society of Friends, are a small group of Christians whose major belief is that every individual has within his or herself the ability to speak directly to God through Jesus Christ. Readings from the Bible are considered helpful in learning how to practice this.

Originally formed in the mid-1600s in England, the movement began when many dissenting groups were breaking away from the rigidly established Church of England. Today there are less than half a million Quakers worldwide, and more than fifty per cent of them are in Africa.

Quakers have been known for their opposition to war, refusal to bear arms, refusal to swear oaths, and abolition of slavery. Many visualize Quakers as wearing strange clothing and funny hats, much like the image on the Quaker Oats package. Today Quakers look like "the man on the street", although most are still adamantly against war. In World War II, Korea and Viet Nam, more than forty per cent of medics and corpsmen were of the Quaker faith, as part of their service is service to others.

Not all Quaker services are completely silent, although your wish to be silent to communicate directly with Jesus is generally accepted. Some Quaker groups have leaders and singing, although that is more uncommon.

There is a Quaker "Meeting" on Grand Avenue in New Haven, and they welcome you to visit with them and worship with them.

Location: New Haven Friends Meetinghouse, 225 East Grand Ave., New Haven, CT, Sunday worship: 10:30-11:30, with fellowship hour following.

Church Life in Photos

Sunday, July 8 Annual Church Picnic









Photography by Charlie Langlan

Hymn Notes Barbara Coulombe

"Onward, Christian Soldiers" was written by Sabine Baring-Gould. He was one of the truly gifted preacher-literary men of the 19th Century. In addition to being ordained to the Anglican ministry in 1864, he was a noted writer throughout his life. His publications include eighty-five books on such varied subjects as religion, travel, folklore, mythology, history, fiction, biography, sermons and popular theology. It is said that the British Museum shows more titles by him than by any other writer of this time. Yet, amazingly, the work for which Sabine Baring-Gould is best noted and remembered today is this simple children's hymn written in 1865. The author left the following account regarding the writing of this hymn: "It was written in a very simple fashion, without thought of publication. Whitmonday is a great day for school festivals in Yorkshire, and one Whitmonday it was arranged that our school should join forces with that of a neighboring village. I wanted the children to sing when marching from one village to the other. but couldn't think of anything guite suitable, so I sat up at night resolved to write something myself." "Onward, Christian Soldiers" was the result. It was written in great haste. He died in 1924 at the age of 90 years. His hurriedly written hymn is still marching on from the lips of young and old alike. Baring-Gould is also the author as well as composer of another very lovely children's hymn, "Now the Day is Over".

Opera Insights Tony Lamberti

It's That Time Again! Lights, Camera, Action! August is upon us and you know what that means to the music lovers of the world. The music industry is very busy getting ready for the upcoming fall season at the Met. Opera companies along with the theatre and ballet companies are in full swing getting ready for their opening nights. Waiting in the wings stand the artists, musicians, and dancers, along with the great members of the orchestra. All these talented and gifted artists have only one thing on their mind," OPENING NIGHT".

The Metropolitan Opera has already posted their HD and Opera Performances for the upcoming 2018-2019 season in cooperation with the Met's newest member of the team a new principle conductor. In the new season we will have the pleasure of seeing and hearing some of the old favorite operas along with some new ones to round out the season.

Even though we really do not want to admit it, the holidays are fast approaching and so now is the time to purchase your season tickets for your favorite opera, theatre, or ballet while it is still fresh on your mind. Give the gift of joy to someone who has everything!

In closing for now I will look forward to updating you next month on all the new and exciting operas that the Metropolitan has to offer. And hopefully we can organize a trip to our local theatre to view one or more of them in the comfort of our hometown theatre without the hassle of taking the train into the city.



8-Sep Robert Chappuis 17-Sep Judy Clearwater 22-Sep Jill Lamberti 24-Sep Morgan Chappuis 24-Sep Jan Cianelli 28-Sep Leland Hubbard



9/11/05 Kathy and Kenneth Dougherty 9/20/58 Joyce and John Aurelius 9/27/03 Kristina and Steven Langlan

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, 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.

October Newsletter

The deadline for the October 2018 issue of the newsletter is **September 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

TREASURERS REPORT

Susan Shultz

	UNDER/OVER			UNDER/OVER
	JULY	BUDGET	YTD	YTD BUDGET
INCOME	\$10,079.08	\$44.25)	\$59,615.73	(\$367.58)
EXPENSES	\$7,032.54	\$1,421.38)	\$64,300.28	\$413.86
NET	\$3,046.54	\$1,377.13	(\$4,684.55)	\$781.44

Notes: Expenses were down primarily due to not having a cleaning service.

September 10:00 a.m. Worship Schedule

Welcomer Crucifer	2-Sep-18 Barbara Parsons	9-Sep-18 Joyce Aurelius	16-Sep-18 Kristina Langlan	23-Sep-18 Barbara Parsons	30-Sep-18 Joyce Aurelius
Chalice		George			George
Bearer	Kristina Langlan	Coulombe	Steve Langlan	Ron Blevins	Coulombe
Lector	Joyce Aurelius	Susan Shultz	Audrey Sundwall	Kristina Langlan	Steve Langlan
Usher	Gail Schappa	Audrey Sundwall	Gail Schappa	Audrey Sundwall	Gail Schappa George
Lead Counter Counter	George Coulombe Sally Alexander	Astrid Swanson Fred Bowden	George Coulombe Diane Villano	Susan Shultz Kristina Langlan	Coulombe Ron Blevins

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Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist9:00 a.m. Adult Education and Discussions10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with music