



The Signpost Weekly

June 23, 2019

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Fr. Zac Harmon, Vicar

<http://www.stchristophersnh.org>

Calendar

Sunday, June 23

- 8 and 10:15 Services
- 9:15 Adult Formation, (Last Sunday before summer break. Next Sunday we start with one Sunday service at 9 a.m.)

Monday, June 24

- 9 a.m. Yoga

Tuesday, June 25

(Last before summer break)

- 9 a.m., Morning Prayer
- 9:30 a.m., Exodus Bible Study, Rabbi Peter from Etz Hayim will be back

Tuesday (cont)

- 7 p.m., Convocation meeting at St. Andrew's Manchester

Thursday, June 27

- On summer break. Eucharist/Bible Study

Sunday, June 30

- 9 a.m. Worship, Rev. Allan Knight

Tuesday, July 1

- No Morning Prayer or Exodus Bible Study,

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schedule for priests and services while he is away. Senior Warden Bob Leonard can be contacted if emergency pastoral contact is needed (603-505-6188).

Here is the **schedule for the Sundays** while Fr. Zac is away:

- June 30 Holy Eucharist @ 9AM with The Rev. Allan Knight
- July 7th Morning Prayer @ 9AM
- July 14th Holy Eucharist @ 9AM with The Rev. Jason Wells of New Hampshire Council of Churches
- July 21st Canon Gail Avery, Diocese staff

Fr. Zac returns on July 28th when we will also be celebrating our saint's day at the service- St. Christopher.

Big Thanks to Kim Peters for taking over the church garden plot **and to Jean Sanders** for taking on the card ministry with Heike's move.

Rabbi Peter from Etz Hayim will be back Tuesday June 25 @ 9:30 AM

The Tuesday Bible study has studied and wondered and worked their way through the Book of Exodus this year- and Rabbi Peter Levy from Etz Hayim Synagogue is delighted to return to St. C's and answer questions from a Jewish perspective about this shared book of Scripture.

Members of the study have compiled quite the list of questions for him from this book of liberation, testing and experiences of the holy. If interested, please come, even if you didn't attend the study group this year. Bible study will wrap up our Tuesday study for the summer.

Summer Schedule

June 23 will be our last Sunday with 2 services (8 AM & 10:15) until September. Starting June 30th we will begin our summer schedule of one service at 9AM. Fr. Zac will be on vacation from June 30- July 27. Here is the



A squirt gun game from last Sunday's church School fun.



Our Pledge payments over the summer – As we vacation and enjoy the summer weather, we tend to delay our giving. If everyone delays their pledge by just one week, our bank balance drops by more than \$2200 (and the treasurer gets nervous (“sad face”)). Whatever you can do is appreciated.



Narcan training success

Ryan Fowler of Granite Pathways met with our

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opioid family support group plus a few visitors to teach about how to use Narcan and about ways to reduce harm to and care purposefully for people with an opioid (or other) substance abuse disorders.

It was a powerful night and Ryan came away moved, saying "I left there feeling like we are all making a difference in the world and I truly wish more churches would be willing to dispense Narcan and show leadership in this crisis the way you have. I look forward to working together again." One possible idea getting traction for a next step is a Sunday in the Fall focused on the opioid crisis with services in several local churches focusing on this question. More to come.

**CORNHOLE
FAMILY FUN DAY –
REGISTRATION
OPEN**

August 3

Interested in the Cornhole Family Fun Day on August 3rd? It will be a blast with family games and trophies to the winning team. Doug Heyer is leading this fundraising effort and you can reach out to contact him for any questions you might have. You can register here if you would like: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cornhole-family-fun-day-st-christophers-tickets-63537978805>

Reconciliation Committee at the Diocese Update

Part of each priest's broader responsibility is assisting with the ministries and activities of the diocese. I serve on the Diocese Council and Reconciliation Committee. Diocese Council approves the annual budget for the diocese.

The Reconciliation Committee works on racial reconciliation. This week was an exciting week with the Reconciliation Committee, as they met with Paul and Denise Pouliot from the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki (who visited St. Christopher's in March) to discern as a diocese what next steps are for conciliation and better understanding in our church of indigenous people's history and concerns.

The welcome they received at St. Christopher's was an important step in leading to the diocese connecting with this work. -Fr. Zac

Ministry Opportunity to keep our grounds going strong

Weed Whacking Ministry (..seriously)

*Electric weed whacker provided (you are also welcome to bring your own if you want too)-

trimming up weeds around trees and edges. This can be arranged around your schedule.

A Note from the Sunshine Soup Kitchen

Thank you for your generous donation of clothing on 06/18/2019. In the month of May, we served 593 men, women and children 920 meals. Volunteers logged in over 738 hours to ensure the meals were cooked and served with love and dignity. Without your thoughtfulness and generosity, we would not be able to continue to offer this service to the community. We are thankful for your contribution, and pray blessings to you.

Thank you Corinne Dodge for initiating and leading this ministry.

Prayers of the people

Prayers for Ginette's grandson, **Chase**, and his parents in the face of long-term medical disabilities. Pray for **Angie McCurdy** and her family; please pray for **Lincoln**, Christine Collins' cousin's young son who is ill; and for **Aaron, Alex & family** in their time of grief. Prayers for **Zach**, a relative of a parishioner; **Ellie McCabe**; prayers for **Bob Gleason, Lucille Gigeure**. for **Deb**; for **Roy Jeffrey; Ann Donovan; Kate; Brayden; Matty; Ian**; prayers for **Howie**; for **Cheryl**; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin**; for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric**, and their daughter, **Lisa**. Pray for the repose of **Anita Pauley**, and prayers for her son **Brian Shankey**. **Prayers for Alex Handel**.

Serving in the Military: For Pam Vazquez's son, First Lt. Nicholas J. Vazquez, an Officer in the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, NC; for Del's cousins, Daniel, Matthew and Sandra.

Parish cycle of prayer: Maggi and Doug Heyer; Mike, Jen, Mandy, Natalie, and Sean Hayes; Alexandra, Ian, Owen, and Genevieve Handel; Fr. Zachary Harmon and Reverend Kate Harmon Siberine

Attendance

Sunday, 6-16; 8 am. 11; 10:15, 58

ST ANNE'S ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY
is in need of canned pastas with meat , soups, juice
boxes, canned chicken, cereal. saltines. Ritz crackers
and baking goods.

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