The Signpost Weekly

June 11, 2017
First Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday
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Calendar

Sunday, June 11 Trinity Sunday, Children's Sunday
- Eucharist, 8
- Coffee and Conversation, 9-10 a.m.
- Eucharist, 10:15 a.m. A service especially for children and families, and a celebration of gratitude to Danielle LeClair and the Sunday School teachers.

Monday, June 12
- Monday Morning Yoga, 9-10.
- Bishop's Committee, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13
- Bible Study for Everyone, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 15
- Eucharist/Bible Study, 7 pm

Saturday, June 17
- Family Service/Eucharist, 4 p.m.
  (Continues through July, and restarts in the fall.)

Sunday, June 18
- Eucharist, 9 a.m. Begins summer schedule.
- Coffee and Conversation, following Eucharist

June 18: New Worship Time begins!
Please mark your calendars for a shift in our summer worship schedule! **Beginning on June 18 and going through Labor Day week-end, we will have one service at 9 am.** (The 4 pm Saturday service continues through July, and restarts in the fall.) The 9 am service will be Holy Eucharist, Rite II with music. Our Director of Music, Nick Pothier, and the Canon Hannah will be planning musical opportunities throughout the summer for parishioners. If you play an instrument or would like to lead congregational singing on one of the Sundays, please speak with either *Nick* or *Hannah*. Thank you!

Update on Baby Scarlett and Her Mother Kara Maslowski writes, "I just want to thank the Parish for their generosity, the family has been so overwhelmed by our love for them. If people would still like to contribute to the care of the baby, they could use: size 9-12-month baby clothes, rice baby cereal, any kind of baby food, size 3 diapers. The family could really use our prayers as well. The baby's mother, Sarah is going to be undergoing a bone marrow transplant in the near future and needs as many prayers as possible. Thank you again." Kara Maslowski

Coffee & Conversation

Last week we had a hearty conversation about the health and vitality of the church during this time of transition from your former Vicar to your next Vicar (to be appointed by Bishop Rob by the fall). Thank you, one and all, for attending and participating! 'Coffee and Conversation' will continue each Sunday so that everyone is part of the planning process and we can celebrate progress on our goals. We'll gather in the sanctuary again between our two worship services, from 9:15-9:50. As a result of our first conversation, a number of topics and concerns were raised. Memberes of the parish will receive via email the summary of our meeting and the chart for an overall plan. Of note from our initial meeting, there is an urgent need for your commitment and involvement to St. Christ-opher's.

In my diocesan role as Canon to the Ordinary, I travel to parishes throughout New Hampshire to engage people in what is called congregational redevelopment. Churches go through a life cycle: they move from birth to growth to maturation and, unless there is redevelopment, to decline and possibly closure. On Sunday we'll reflect more on this cycle to understand why this is

a critical moment in the life of St. Christopher's. I look forward to our time together this coming Sunday! *Hannah+*

Thank you, Brenda

Regretfully, we received and accepted this week the resignation of Brenda Getchell as Treasurer of our church. Brenda has served faithfully in this role and we are so very grateful to her for sharing freely her time and gifts! She is now discerning how God may be calling her to shift the focus of her talent to another area of ministry at St. Christopher's. Wayne Trombly will assume the responsibilities of Treasurer for the remainder of the summer, at which point a new Treasurer will be selected. Please speak with either of us if you have particular gifts and interest in serving in this role. *Hannah+, Interim Vicar, and Wayne Trombly*

The May Convocation was held on May 22, 2017, at the Church of the Transfiguration in Derry and was attended by Delegates Barbara Hughes, Jean Sanders and Tone Crossman as well as by Father Dick Matthews who is also the Co-convener for the Convocation. The subject was the adventures of the 6 month Refresher Leave taken by the Rev. Alanna Van Antwerpren, who is the Assistant Clergy at Good Shepherd in Nashua. Alanna received a grant from the Lilly Endowment National Clergy Renewal Program as she met the criteria of the program. "A time of Refresher Leave for congregations and clergy by providing opportunities for pastors to step away briefly from the obligations of daily parish like while the congregation simultaneously engages in a time of reflection, exploration and discovery.' At the same time the Church of the Good Shepherd was participating by using Liturgies from the 3rd Century and the Reformation Era in 1549, and 1789. The Pilgrimage of the Present included liturgy from Canterbury, England and Good Shepherd using some of the liturgies in the Book of Common Prayer. The next Convocation meeting will be at Grace Church in Manchester on June 27, 2017. *Barbara Hughes,* Delegate to Conventiion

Hannah Anderson may be reached at (c) 630-724-1558, or via email. She will be in the church office on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

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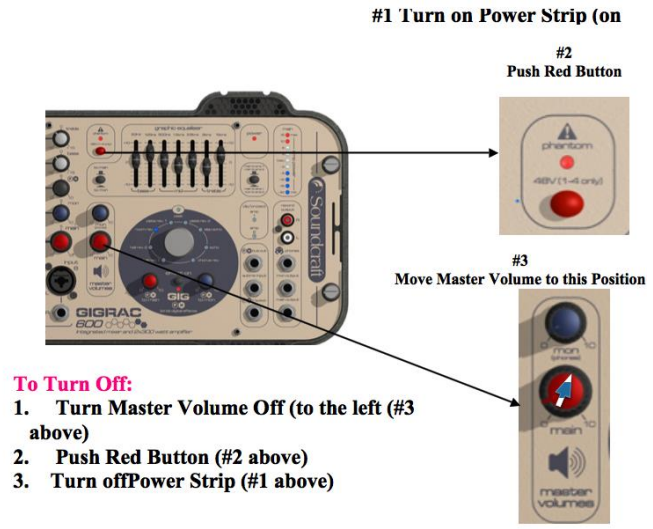

Prayers of the People

Prayers for Dave Darrah's nephew **Peter** who has been diagnosed with cancer and will be going through various treatments for the foreseeable future. Please pray for **Elaine,** a friend of Danielle LeClair; for Deb; for the **Ritzer Family**; for Anne Darrah's cousin, **Eva Brown;** for the **Steinhoff Family; for Zach; for Judy McCabe;** for **Roy Jeffrey**; **Liz Naters-Gamarra and Carmen**, Miriam's daughter and mother; for **Miriam**; **Ann Donovan; Kate; Brayden; Matty; Ian;** for **Cheryl**; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin** and for **George Gallo, Jr.;** for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric** who with God's grace has been found and is in good care at a Salvation Army facility in Texas, getting medical care, nourishment, and help in the many ways that he needs. Serving in the Military Please pray for Del's cousins, **Daniel**, **Matthew** and **Sandra**, for **Paul.**

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Nancy, Michael, Sarah, and Meghan Hickey; Lynne, Jim, Erin, and Garrett Horigan; Barbara Hughes; Roy Jeffrey

Attendance

Thursday, 6/1, 8; Saturday, 6/3, 11
Sunday, 6/4, 8 a.m., 14; 10:15am, 33