



# THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

June 25, 2017

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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## Calendar

### Sunday, June 25

- Eucharist, 9 a.m.
- Coffee and Conversation, after 9 a.m. service

### Monday, June 26

- Monday Morning Yoga, 9-10 a.m.

### Tuesday, June 27

- Bible Study for Everyone, Tuesday's 9:30 a.m. is on summer break...to return after Labor Day.
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.

### Thursday, June 29

- No evening Eucharist/Bible Study

### Saturday, July 1

Eucharist, 4 p.m. (Continues through July, and restarts in the fall.)

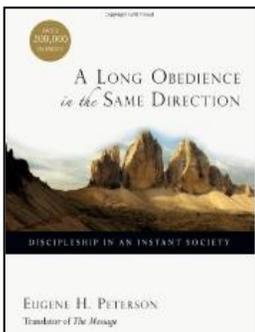
### Sunday, July 2

- Eucharist, 9 a.m.
- Coffee and Conversation, following Eucharist

## Dear friends and members of St. Christopher's,

We have entered the season of [Pentecost](#) or what is often referred to as [Ordinary Time](#). It is the longest of the church seasons, stretching from now until November 26, Christ the King Sunday. This will mark the end of Pentecost and the beginning of [Advent](#).

While we may grow weary of the seasonal color of green or long to hear stories other than those about the disciples at work in the world, perhaps the church season of Pentecost could be reframed through the title of one of my favorite books by Eugene Peterson: [A Long Obedience in the Same Direction](#). Peterson works with the Songs of Ascent (Psalms 120-134) to explore the abiding faithfulness of our Hebrew ancestors as they labored in pilgrimage up to Jerusalem.



His themes are growth in joy, service, humility and community—all common to discipleship.

As I get to know you and minister with you at St. Christopher's, I am more and more aware that you have been walking faithfully and obediently in the same direction: toward Jesus Christ.

It has not been an easy pilgrimage for many of you. Yet you are still here, leaning into the possibility of a new chapter in your life as a community of believers and ready to continue the pilgrimage in faith.

I'm here only for the summer, but I am encouraged as I walk with you. Let us enter the season of Pentecost with prayers for renewal and strength. We need one another as we commit to this long obedience as seekers and followers of Jesus.

Hannah+

## Summer Fun and Fellowship through Service



If you were at a worship service last week, you may have noticed the colorful Ministry Teams sign-up sheets on a table in our entryway. The teams were organized by the Bishop's Committee after listening to the Coffee and Conversation dialogues for the past month. Each team is focused on a particular area of concern voiced during the "Coffee and Conversation" conversations.

*Now we are asking for each of you to participate in ministry that will strengthen the values, mission and beauty of St. Christopher's community. What area interests you most? What gift might you bring to the team to help reach a goal or at least work toward one over the summer?*

**Ministry Teams  
Summer, 2017**

*Pledging and  
Stewardship*

*Buildings and  
Grounds*

*Office Clean up  
and  
Management*

*Church  
Organization*

*Spirituality and  
Christian  
Formation*

*Membership*

*Worship*

*Communications*

These are the various **Ministry Teams** that the Bishop's Committee organized after our last meeting.

- **What gift might you bring to a team?**
- **What area interests you most?**
- **Are there some improvements or changes you would like to see in some area of ministry?**
- **Or perhaps suggest a new program, or area of emphasis?**

Please come ready to sign on this Sunday. Remember, 'many hands make light the work.' Hannah+

**Come and Meet the Rev. Zachary Harmon~**

**On Saturday and Sunday (July 15-16), Rev Harmon will lead worship and preach at our church services.**

Bishop Rob is looking forward to appointing a new Vicar or Priest in Charge to St. Christopher's by the end of the summer or early September.

One of the possible candidates is a young priest moving to NH in August: The Rev. Zachary Harmon. Zachary's wife, Kate, is also an ordained priest and has accepted a call to serve in another parish here in NH.

He has agreed to fly east to spend a long weekend in the Hampstead area. First, he'll meet with Canon Hannah and Bishop Rob on Friday, July 14. On Saturday and Sunday (July 15-16), Zachary will lead worship and preach at our church services before heading back to Oregon on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Harmon's background is filled with experiences and leadership with teens, youth and children. He is skilled in pastoral care to the elderly and people in crisis. His credentials are exceptional,



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and Virginia Seminary did a fine job preparing Zachary for parish ministry.

I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to come and meet him! Please welcome him with your extraordinary gift of hospitality.

Hannah+

**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:**

Eric Lanseigne; Heather, Cameron and Coty Lafontaine; Brooke, Morgan and Bradley LaMonica; Sara, Emma, Gabriel, and Graham Lanseigne and Haley Corning.

Attendance

6/15, Thursday, 8; 6/17, Saturday, 12;  
6/18, Sunday, 9 a.m., 57

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