



THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Calendar

Sunday, April 24

- Eucharist, 8 am and 10:15 am
- Bible Study, 9:15
- No Sunday school
- Outreach Committee, 11:30

Monday, April 25

- Monday morning Yoga, 9 am

Tuesday, April 26

- Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.
- Yoga with Miriam, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 28

- Eucharist and Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 30

- Yard Sale Drop Off, 8-10; 1-3.
- Eucharist, 4 pm, All Welcome

Sunday, May 1

- Eucharist, 8 am and 10:15 a.m.
- Bible Study, 9:15
- Sunday school, 10 am

Hello Sunday School families and friends: I thought I should reach out with the happenings for the end of our Sunday School year. We do not have Sunday School this week because of school vacation. We will have classes May 1, May 8 (*All in Church* ~ I will be looking for kids who would like to read) May 15, May 22 and June 5. June 12th is Children's Sunday. The children will be singing and we will have a luncheon following the service to celebrate. (Look for more details to follow as we will be looking for luncheon donations).

Happenings: Saturday, May 14th Miriam will host a **communion bread baking event for the children** @ 2:30 with the family service to follow @ 4 (please feel free to join her for all or part of this wonderful event). The Crop Walk is Sunday, May 15th and Miriam is looking for children who would like to walk with her. Please let her know.

Saturday, May 21 is the **Yard Sale Festival** ~ The committee is looking for children of all ages to help out with this event. (This includes our youth group kids) They are also looking for parent/teacher volunteers to coordinate and help the children run different events. Suggestions...face painting, games, lemonade stand or whatever else the kids might come up with on their own. They will also need assistance with set up and clean up so children can volunteer for an hour, a few hours or for the day. Please let me know if you can help in any way or any questions that you might have. Thank you.

Danielle LeClair

MORE TEN TALENTS NEWS!

Spring Festival Updates

- Many thanks to **Ingrid Chapman** for overseeing the Bake Sale! If you can help by donating some goodies, sign up on the poster or contact Ingrid.
- Thanks to **Bob Leonard** for stepping up to the Food Booth! Bob, with the help of Dave Darrah will be offering hot dogs, burgers, and sausages. If you would like to offer a food item like popcorn or chili or breakfast sandwiches, etc, please contact Bob.
- And many thanks to Laura Madison and Paul Nowick for overseeing the kid's games! If you have interest in helping out or building a game, contact [Laura](#) or Paul.
- The **LEGO Contest** is now official. There are flyers in the vestibule, on the website, and they have been distributed to area churches. (Thank you Laura!) Let's get building!
- We are very excited to have Carolyn Timbie and Dusty Clappitt and friends offering their musical talents for the festival! Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy some great bluegrass music!

Donations to the Yard Sale this weekend!

We have expanded our time at the storage facility to accept your donations: Saturday 4/23 from 8 to 11 am and again from 1 to 3 pm. Sunday 4/24 after

services, starting at about 9 am until 1 pm.

- **Reminder about Hampstead Self Storage** on 45 Gigante Drive: This is a gated facility, we will keep the gate open during our collection times. If for some reason the gate is closed when you arrive, call either Kathy 603-867-3886 or Dianne 813-486-7917 (we will leave a notice with phone numbers on the fence while we are there).

Ten Talents Services

- Are you trying to figure out how to get your large awkward yard sale donations into your tiny car? Fear not, **Bob Leonard** is offering a service that is perfect for you! Bob's will come by with his 4 x 8 utility trailer and help load your treasures and bring them to the storage facility. His Ten Talents fee is \$15 per load. Email [Bob](#) or call at 603-505-6188, or see him in church.

- Chances are you have a stack of photo albums collecting dust in a closet somewhere. **Lyn Rockwell** will scan your albums into digital picture format. You'll be able to view your photo scans on your computer, edit them, easily create reprints of your photos, share the old photos online or through email with family and friends, and everything else you do with digital photos which will work just like any other digital photo you're used to working with! \$15/hour. E-mail [Lyn](#) for an estimate. 603-560-3640; or see her in church.

- **Br. David Gerns** will once again have maple syrup available, made from the sap of trees in all the areas served by St. Christopher's. He is now taking orders at \$15 per pint, and will have some available beginning May 8. What he has left will be offered at the fair on May 21.

- **Lois and Skip Gilman** will offer Cookie Bouquets. A dozen or half dozen cookies in a beautiful arrangement! Available at the Spring Festival.

Is your Talent still hiding? There is still time to bring it out! Use the sign up posters in the vestibule to help with the Spring Festival, or fill out the orange participation form that you received in your packet. Contact [Kathy Trombly](#) or [Dianne Copeland](#) with any questions!

From Crop Walk Coordinator, Barbara Hughes
Thank you to all those who have signed up early for the 23rd Annual Crop Hunger Walk. As you know 25% goes to local food pantries. the other 75% goes to Church World Service, where the money is used

both in the U.S. and around the world for disaster Relief and Development funding. Several reminders: Get the money up-front if you can. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP. Do not have checks made out in your name if at all possible. Jean Sanders is going to every restaurant and all also many businesses in our general area for donations. Most of them give us a gift card instead, so we use those gift cards as incentives. For every \$200 you collect, you will get a raffle ticket to put into the Canister of your choice. Each canister will be marked with the name of the Gift card donor. One way to increase your totals is to go on-line, and send an e-mail to all your far flung friends and relatives. Church World Service is considered a four star charitable organization and the web site is a secure site to donate through with a credit card. *The St.*

Christopher's Team link is [HERE](#). Barbara

Prayers of the People

We give thanks and praise to God that **Joan Fettes** is now cancer free. Please pray for **Dawn Hodges** a friend of Terri McDermott; Deb Pothier's granddaughter **Ellie Laura McCabe**; prayers for the repose of the soul of **Laura Lee Meehan, Deb Pothier's** mother and grandmother of **Nick Pothier** and **Jess McCabe**; for Terry and Joan Stevens' daughter-in-law **Theresa**, who has Stage 4 breast cancer; **Quinton Collins** Robin Flynn's **father**, diagnosed with cancer, for **Zach; Bill Steinhoff** going through chemo; for **Dale; Liz Naters-Gamarra and Carmen**, Miriam's daughter and mother; **Ann Donovan; Kate; Joan and Ron Ruggiero, and Josephine Herbert; Brayden; Matty; Ian; Joan Fettes**; for Christine's friend **Christine**; for **Cheryl**; for **Linda** mother of Ruth Ann who has been diagnosed with cancer; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Jean Porter's grand-nephew **Tyler**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin**; for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric** who with God's grace is in safe hands.

Serving in the Military: Please pray for Del's cousins, **Daniel, Matthew** and **Sandra**, for **Paul**.

Attendance

Tuesday, 4/12, 4, WBS; Thursday, 4/14, 9

Saturday, 4/16, 9

Sunday, 4/17, 8:00am, 25; 10:15am, 46

Parish cycle of prayer: Deb Carpenter; James, Michele and Jordan Christian; Mark and Ingrid Chapman; Jennifer, Nick, Niko, Alexandria, and Mina Cassotis.

Ask much of us. Expect much of us. Enable much by us. Encourage many through us.

May we dedicate our lives to your glory. Amen.



THE *Episcopal* CHURCH



APRIL 24, 2016 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

EASTER SEASON OF PRAYER

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry has called for an Easter Season of Prayer for regions in the Anglican Communion experiencing conflict and strife. Beginning on April 3, the Second Sunday of Easter, and continuing throughout the season, members of The Episcopal Church are asked to lift up in prayer parts of our world experiencing extreme violence and unrest. This Easter, Episcopalians will focus on Burundi, Central America, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Middle East, Pakistan, and South Sudan.

In calling for the Season of Prayer, Presiding Bishop Curry wrote, “In this season of Resurrection, I call on everyone to pray for our brothers and sisters in areas where there is much burden and little hope.” Citing Galatian 6:2, “Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ,” this season of prayer is an opportunity to learn more about what the churches in these regions are doing to be sources of support and hope, and to join with our brothers and sisters around the world in prayers for peace.

This Sunday, we join in prayer for the Middle East including Syria, Iraq, Yemen, and Israel/Palestine. You can find detailed information on how the Anglican Communion networks are working for peace in the Middle East by visiting the Easter Season of Prayer website.

Learn more: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/page/easter-season-prayer>

Contact Elizabeth Boe, Global Networking Officer, at eboe@episcopalchurch.org for more information.

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen. (Prayer for Peace, p. 815)

