



THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

December 7, 2014

Second Sunday of Advent

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Christmas Toiletries Wish List 2014 Ecumenical Food Pantry	
Deodorant (women)	Toothpaste
Dental Floss	Toothbrushes
Shower Puffs	2 in 1 Shampoo
Liquid Hand Soap	Body Wash
Dish Soap	Hand Lotion
Q tips	Band-aids
	Comb & Brushes

Calendar

Sunday, December 7 - Second Sunday of Advent

- Eucharist Service, 8 and 10:15
- Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- Pageant rehearsal, 9:30 am
- Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Monday, December 8

- Yoga with Miriam, 9 a.m.
- Bishop's Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9

- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. with babysitting.
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.
- NO Yoga with Miriam, 6:30 p.m.
- Rockingham Choral Society Holiday Concert, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

- Yoga, 6:30

Thursday, December 11

- Eucharist and Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Christmas Pageant

Parents please remember that Christmas Pageant rehearsals start at 9:30 am.

Giving Tree Gifts for our Adopted Family from the Food Pantry Christmas Tree gifts must be returned by Dec. 14th. They should be wrapped and the tag you picked out should be placed prominently on the gift returned since this tag tells the charity workers who is the recipient of the particular gift. Please put your gift on the table where the Christmas Tree resides. Thank you all for participating. *Outreach Committee*

Spiritual Direction Enrollment

Please consider joining one of our Spiritual Direction Groups, starting in February and meeting every other week for approximately 12 weeks. Currently 4 groups with 5-6 participants are wrapping up the inaugural session, which kicked off in September. The response from the groups is positive and exciting, as we witness the Holy Spirit at work in our daily lives. Signup deadline is January 18, 2015, and signup sheets are in the vestibule. Please see Miriam, [Ken Swenson](#), [Barbara Hughes](#) or [me](#) with any questions. [Wayne Trombly](#)



November was a busy month at the Ecumenical Food Pantry because of Thanksgiving. This year we filled 112 requests for food. All the clients received gift cards that would let them buy the "fixings" preferred by their families instead of getting them in their orders. This year's distribution was slightly larger than last year's which was 109 filled requests. It was one of the largest in our history. Now we are involved in planning for Christmas, the largest distribution every year. We have received many donations of food already, and know there are more collections in the works, so more food isn't critical. But there is a need for toiletries to fill out what our clients will receive.

"Wow, how did all of that stuff fit in that closet?" The Sunday School Closet!!!! We finally got a crew together and cleaned out the Sunday School storage closet, a project we've been wanting to tackle for a number of years. Thanks to the help of Peggy Baker, Jean Sanders, many other teachers

*Have you invited a friend to come to church with you?
A personal invitation is the best way, bar none, to grow a congregation and bless a friend's life.*

Merciful God,
who sent your
messengers the
prophets to preach
repentance and
prepare the way for
our salvation:

Give us grace to
heed their warnings
and forsake our
sins, that we may
greet with joy the
coming of Jesus
Christ our
Redeemer;

Who lives and
reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and
forever.
Amen.

and lots of Youth helps
the supply closet is
completely cleaned out, and
deciding from what we
found could be put to good
use in the future, and the
rest went to recycling. This
small project took over four
hours on Sunday! Thank you
again to every-one who took
a bunch of trash away for us
and others for storing many
items for the yard sale. I
cannot thank everyone
enough for helping with this
monumental task! Danielle
LeClair, Sunday School



PLEASE HELP!

I am a sweet, well behaved,
mature Lady, with the coloring
of a coon cat. Dogs and other
cats don't bother me. I was
rescued when I was a kitten,
about ten years ago, from
under a porch in Lynn, MA.
The people who saved me have
taken very good care of me, and
must say, I have taken very good
care of them. I'm a sweet, lovable,
and adorable presence in our home,
and I can be in yours, too. I was heartbroken when
they told me they couldn't take me with them to
California and Florida. But they PROMISED they
would find me a good home right here in New
Hampshire, which is really where I'd like to be, and



Lily



not send me off to one of those pet
rescue shelters, and who knows what
could happen after that. **Please
contact [Greta McElvanna via
email](#), or by phone at 603 329-
6151, or 603 275-1273**

Prayers of the People

Please pray for **Arthur Mueller, Matty O'Leary; Greta and Jim; Nancy Hollinrake;** for **Linda**, who has
been diagnosed with cancer; for **Ryan**; for Corinne
Dodge's friend, **Mariellen**; for **William Friel**; for **Carol Sienkiewicz**; for Jeff and Katie Waymouth's daughter,
Ginny and family; for **Jacqueline Parent**, for strength
and peace; for Jean Porter's grand-nephew **Tyler**, for
Cheri and her husband **Walt**, friends of Jennifer and
Robert Aiken; for **Rosalie Papoutsy**; for Natalie Gallo's
brother, **Lorin Bielski**; for Mark and Ingrid Chapman's
son **Eric** who with God's grace is in safe hands.

Serving in the Military: Please pray for **Michael Carr**; for Del Dooling's cousins, **Daniel Canfield, Matthew and Sandra Maloy**, and for **Paul Gagne**.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: **Bob Leonard and Joyce Ryan; Karen, Don and Patrick Olmstead; Melissa, Colissa, Kristopher, and Chelsea Paquette; Lori, Dean and Jenna Parrillo.**

Attendance

Tuesday, 11/25, 6, WBS
Sunday, 11/30, 8 a.m., 32; 10:15 a.m., 43

Music
Survey
Data is
now
available
for your
perusal
on the
church
website.



The following links are to the raw data
collected from the music surveys during
the summer. The Music Task Force will
use this information in developing the
music plan for St. Christopher's. The
Music Task Force is still hard at work
planning a music experience to enhance
our worship!

[Music Survey Data for 8 a.m. Service.](#)
[Music Survey Data for 10:15 a.m. Service.](#)

Rockingham Choral Society

Andrew Gaydos
Director

Magnificat

C.P.E. Bach

and selected traditional Carols

**Saturday, December 6th
7:30PM**

**First Parish Church
218 Central Ave., Dover, NH**

**Sunday, December 7th 3:00PM
Christ Church
43 Pine St., Exeter, NH**

**Tuesday, December 9th 7:30PM
St. Christopher's Episcopal
Church
187 East Rd., Hampstead NH**

General Admission \$15.00 at the door

Senior and Students \$12.00 at the door

Discounted advance General admission tickets available online

www.rockinghamchoralsociety.org

Group rates available - call 603-968-9676



For tickets

Rockingham Choral Society is a registered 501(c)3 charity