



# THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

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Easter

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## Calendar

### Sunday, April 5, Easter \*\*

- Eucharist Service, 8 & 10:15 a.m.
- Bible Study, 9 a.m.

### Monday, April 6

- NO Yoga with Miriam, 9 a.m.
- Finance Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 7

- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. with babysitting.
- Spiritual Direction Tuesday Group 3:30-4:30
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.
- Yoga with Miriam, 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 8

- Crop Walk Rally And Pizza Party 5:30 pm
- Spiritual Direction Wednesday Group, 7-8 p.m.

### Thursday, April 9

- Eucharist & Adult Ed., 7 p.m.
- Spiritual Direction Thursday Group, 11-12 noon.

### Sunday, April 12

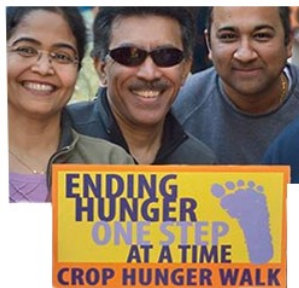
- Eucharist Service, 8 & 10:15 a.m.
- Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
- Outreach Committee Meeting re Crop Walk, 11:30
- Diocesan Youth Event and Planning Meeting 10 - 3

*\*\*Because the first Sunday of April is Easter, we are moving the Healing service to the 10:15 service on April 12*

## 23rd Annual Crop Hunger Walk Rally and Pizza Party, This Wednesday, April 8, 5:30 p.m.

A rally and pizza party on Wednesday, April 8 at 5:30 pm here at St. Christopher's. will kick-off this year's Greater Hampstead Crop Walk, which takes place May 17, Sunday, and is being hosted by St. Christopher's this year.

This is definitely an ecumenical effort, featuring the participation of 7 churches in the area. It's our 23<sup>rd</sup> year of being part of this important event, which has raised an amazing \$355,000+ to help end hunger "one step at a time" locally,



nationally and worldwide. At the Rally people from the other 6 churches involved in the walk will be here along with Bill Wildey, the Church World Service regional director, who will be here with first hand stories of all the places he has visited in the world and all the good things that have been done because of crop walks. We need to have a good turnout from our parish at the rally, so please every effort you can to attend the rally and pizza party, and bring the kids! [Barbara Hughes](#)

## Be Sure To Check Out Page 3 of Signpost For The Latest News On Ten Talents Challenge



An Invitation from Bishop Rob to a very important youth event and convention planning meeting at St. Andrews in Hopkinton on April 12 from 10 am - 3 pm. **Youth (7th through 12th grade) and youth leaders of your church are invited** to attend a . Please encourage your youth and youth leaders to attend if they might be interested in helping us shape youth involvement at the 2015 Episcopal Church of New Hampshire Convention on November 7, 2015 and other statewide youth events. This is an opportunity particularly for those young people who would be interested in providing leadership, and will help us identify youth who might serve on an ongoing youth council or planning committee. Lunch is

provided. St. Andrews Hopkinton is located at 354 Main Street in Hopkinton, NH.

### Destination Imagination

A few months ago I was approached by church member Diane Kolbe asking if I could help with a project her son and two other children from Hampstead Academy were involved in through Destination Imagination. The children's project was to visit elderly people to provide company, play games, and have



conversation. I gave them a couple of names of folks I knew would be delighted to have the children visit. One couple they visited was Les and Nancy Hollinrake. Nancy of course had been a school teacher, she loved children and was very good with them. "The children had a delightful day with Mr. & Mrs. Hollinrake. What a truly special lady," Diane said. "I'm glad we got a picture of Nancy and the kids." Miriam

### Family Promise News from the Central Office, at the Day Center in Derry

Save the Date! Plans are underway for a BBQ Open House at the Day Center on June 6, 2015! Please save the date for hot dogs, cotton candy, outdoor games like bean toss -- perhaps an antique car show! In other news, the day center staff works daily to transform the lives of parents and children while taking care of hundreds of day-to-day details. "I'd like to congratulate Margaret Doughty, who has recently been promoted to the position of Program Director. I'd also like to welcome our first full time

case manager, Nicole Kostakis. Nicole is starting this month and will be working closely with the families in our program, our host congregations & our volunteers. I'd also like to thank our office volunteer extraordinaire of 1-1/2 years, Kathy Todd, who worked closely with Maggie through her transition to Network Director, as well as our bus drivers Patty and Mike," said Bob Stiff Board President. "Under Maggie's leadership, our staff will continue to refine our intake and case management processes to deliver strength-based case management, concentrating on finding work and finding housing. We have introduced a new financial literacy program designed specifically for Family Promise. We are improving the quality of aftercare to those families who graduate from our program."

### Prayers of the People

Please pray for 12 year old **Ian** who is very ill; for Carolyn who is mourning the loss of Arthur; for **Les** as he adjusts to life without Nancy; for **Pam** who has a herniated disc and is suffering terrible pain; likewise pray for **Sue** who is also in terrible pain from a back condition, for Christine's stepbrother, **Justin** who is in the Army and has been deployed to Kosovo on special assignment, and for her friend **Christine**; for **Matty**; **Greta and Jim**; for **Linda**, mother of Ruth Ann who has been diagnosed with cancer; for **Ryan**; for Corinne's friend, **Mariellen**; for **Carol**; for Jeff and Katie's daughter, **Ginny** and family; for **Jacqueline**, for strength and peace; for Jean'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**.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Jennifer, Jeffrey and Max Diener; Violet and James DeMarco; David and Anne Darrah; Marcia Devine

### Attendance

Tuesday, 3/24, Women's Bible Study, 7  
Sunday, 3/29, 8 am, 37; 10:15, 90.

### Ecumenical Food Pantry Wish List

Jelly, Crackers, Canned Pineapple,  
Salad Dressing, Ketchup/Mayo/Mustard,  
Brownie Mix, Muffin Mix, Tissues.



# TEN TALENTS NEWS

## Get the Stress Out!

Treat yourself to a massage by **Dianne Copeland**. She can travel with her massage table to your location.

## Plant a Garden

Are you thinking about a veggie



garden this year? Do you wonder what

plants do best here in our short New Hampshire season? As part of the Ten Talents Challenge, **Matt Rioux and Denise Stevenson** will assist with your garden planning, including square foot gardening to get the most yield for minimum effort. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have. They can be contact by email at [denmattnh@comcast.net](mailto:denmattnh@comcast.net)

## Goodies for Sale-May 30

**Nancy Hickey** and family will be planning a Bake Sale to be held at the Yard Sale/Festival on May 30.

**Karen Groves** will also be offering baked goods of the gluten-free, dairy-free, and egg-free variety.

Something for everyone!

Let us put your news here!

## House Blessing

House blessings date back to the early days of [Christianity](#). They are an ancient tradition, found in many different faith traditions. They are usually performed by a [parish priest](#) who sprinkles [holy water](#) as she walks through every room of the house, along with the occupants of the house, family and friends.

**Rev. Miriam Acevedo** will bless your house for a small fee of \$10.



Of course everyone is welcome to give more depending on their ability to do so. Miriam will arrive at your house with a candle, holy water and prayers. There is a signup sheet on the round table in the vestibule, or contact Miriam.

## Grapevine is Buzzing

We've heard that there might be origami, maple syrup, and hand made baby Christening blankets, at the Yard Sale Festival! Get your green participation slips to one of the committee members soon! For all the Ten Talents information go to [www.st-christophers-nh.org/ten-talents](http://www.st-christophers-nh.org/ten-talents)

## Care for Your Skin

Outstanding skin care and make-up products to help you look your best by Mary Kay. **Ingrid Chapman** will have products available at the Festival.

## Quilt Raffle

**Peggy Baker** is raffling one of her beautiful handmade quilts measuring 65" by 76". Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10, and can be purchased by contacting Peggy, Kathy or Dianne, or after services on Sunday. The drawing will be held on May 30.

## Sunglasses for Sale

Just in time for spring and summer, **Dick Groves** is selling sunglasses on Ebay.

Visit [www.ebay.com/usr/webaffiliattes603](http://www.ebay.com/usr/webaffiliattes603)

## The Yard Sale Needs You!

We are counting on you all to make this a huge yard sale! It will be held on our grounds on **May 30**. Please set your unwanted items aside when you do your spring cleaning! Tell your family and friends too! Clothing, clothes hangers, toys, household goods, tools, sporting goods, yard and garden, furniture, bikes, office supplies. Contact Kathy Trombly, Lyn Rockwell, or Dianne Copeland. We are also available to pick up large or bulky items if that makes it easier! First donation drop off date is this **Saturday April 11, 8 am to 11 am in the St. Christopher's parking lot.**