



# THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

May 17, 2015

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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## Calendar

**Sunday, May 17 CROP WALK**

- Eucharist Service, 8 & 10:15 a.m.
- Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
- Crop Walk Registration, 1 p.m.

**Monday, May 18**

- Yoga with Miriam, 9 a.m..

**Tuesday, May 19**

- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. with babysitting.
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.
- Yoga with Miriam, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 21**

- Eucharist 7 PM
- Adult Ed, 7:45 PM

**Sunday, May 23**

- Eucharist Service, 8 & 10:15 a.m.
- Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.

## Ten Talents Progress Report

Some of us are doing things quietly behind the scenes, using our time, talent and blessings from God to increase the seed money that we received. Others are working on offering their special gifts at the Spring Festival & Yard Sale. Many have donated lovely items to be sold at the yard sale.

**Whatever your part, it is greatly appreciated!** "I want to thank everyone who bought St. Christopher's Maple Syrup last Sunday," says David Gerns. "It was a good start to sell the thirty pints. I will not be in church this Sunday; but, I will be at both services Sunday May 17 to close out reservations for syrup and sell @ \$15 whatever is left over."

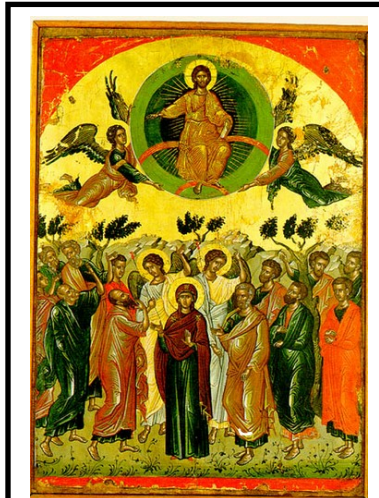
**We still need workers for the yard sale, 2 or 3-hour shifts, more if you can!**

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**THE ASCENSION  
GRANT, WE PRAY,  
ALMIGHTY GOD, THAT  
AS WE BELIEVE YOUR  
ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON  
OUR LORD JESUS  
CHRIST TO HAVE  
ASCENDED INTO  
HEAVEN, SO WE MAY  
ALSO IN HEART AND  
MIND THERE ASCEND,  
AND WITH HIM  
CONTINUALLY DWELL;  
WHO LIVES AND REIGNS  
WITH YOU AND THE  
HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD,  
FOR EVER AND EVER,  
AMEN.**

Most items have been sorted and priced already! Signup sheet is on the round table in the vestibule. We also need to borrow pop-up type tent canopies, contact [Kathy](#) or [Dianne](#) if you can lend one. Also, please check out the bulletin board and website and keep Ten Talents participants in mind if you or someone you know is in need of one of the services or items offered! It's an easy way for us all to help!

[www.st-christophers-nh.org/ten-talents](http://www.st-christophers-nh.org/ten-talents).

## It's Today!

The Crop Walk is today and there is still time to support one of our walkers—their names are on the footprints over the door in the vestibule.

## Bishop Committee News

One of the new things we are doing is reading a book called the Vestry Resource Guide that has proven very helpful. At each BC meeting we review a chapter. We met last Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. We started with a Bible Study on 1 Thessalonians 5:11-13, 16 where St. Paul urges us to encourage and build up one another.

**We are in the process of reworking our mission statement** to one that gives a better sense of who we are, members of the BC were asked to bring some ideas that will be reviewed by a task force assigned to do this work. We are also in the process revising our By Laws. The

*"And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.*

*Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. " JOHN 17:11*

BC has reviewed the revisions and the next step is to bring them to the parish at the next Annual Meeting in January 2016. We reviewed the financials for April and approved the treasurer's report, likewise with the minutes. Our next meeting is on June 8 that will include a celebration of the Eucharist. *Miriam*

### The next "Spirited Life Today"

On our next show due to be filmed next week will be an interview with Ms. Maggie Doughty the director of Family Promise Rockingham County.

*Miriam*

### Have you read the Carriage Towne News the Last Three Weeks?

We are in the Carriage Towne News again this week. I am interested in finding someone who is willing to help or take on the responsibility of submitting articles in a timely manner each week. The person I am looking for needs some writing and computer skills and a willingness to look ahead at our calendar and report on the latest happenings in the parish. Articles must be submitted by Thursday, one week before the Sunday in question. *Miriam*

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## Church and Community

### Free Family Photos

DANVILLE — Start Mother's Day right at Danville Baptist Church. In addition to the excellent music and teaching in the heart of Danville, safe about issues relevant to your and fun nursery care is provided for children ages 4 and up, this Sun., May 10 at 10:15 a.m. All women will be given envelopes and after the service family photos will be taken for free by a professional photographer at David.Hammer@ho-

### All Things P



### Worship at St. Christopher's

HAMPSTEAD — All are invited to celebrate Mother's Day with us at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church at 187 East Road, Hampstead, Sun., May 10 at 10:15 a.m. The topic of the sermon, delivered by the Rev. Minam Arvedo, is about assisting in the love from hour after each service — all are welcome. On May 17th St. Christopher's is hosting this year's 2nd annual CROP Hunger Walk which is a charitable, non-denominational event that raises money for the food bank. For more information, please contact Barbara Hughes at barthugs22@comcast.net, or visit our website www.stchristophers.org.

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### 2015 Parish Contact Booklet/-Directory

It's our handy little booklet containing contact information, and is distributed internally to parishioners. It's the 2015 annual update of the directory.

### Prayers of the People

Please pray for 12 year old **Ian** who is very ill; 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 **Cheryl**; for **Matty**; for **Linda**, mother of Ruth Ann who has been diagnosed with cancer; for **Ryan**; Heike and Corinne thank all those who prayed for their friend, **Mariellen**. Mariellen has left us, and passed on to the loving arms of **God**. 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: Marguerite Hopkins; Lynne, Jim, Erin, and Garrett Horigan; Barbara Hughes; Roy Jeffrey.**

### Attendance

**5/5, Tuesday, WBS, 6**  
**5/7, Thursday, 5**  
**5/10, Sunday, 8:00am, 30; 10:15am, 50**

**May Wish List 2015, Ecumenical Food Pantry**  
 Juice, Muffin Mix, Spaghetti Sauce, Microwave Popcorn, Jelly/Fluff, Coffee, Sugar

## Ministry vs. Job?

Some people have a job in the church.  
 Others invite themselves into a ministry.

What's the difference you ask?

If you are doing it just because no one else will, it's a job.  
 If you are doing it to serve the Lord, it's a ministry.

If you quit because someone criticized you, it's a job.  
 If you keep on serving, it's a ministry.

If you'll do it as long as it does not interfere with your other activities, it's a job.  
 If you are committed to staying even if it means letting go of other things, it's a ministry.

If you quit because no one thanked you or praised you, it's a job.  
 If you stick with it even though no one recognized your efforts, it's a ministry.

It's hard to get excited about a job.  
 It's almost impossible not to get excited about a ministry.

If your concern is success, it's a job.  
 If your concern is faithfulness and service, it's a ministry.

If God calls you to a ministry, don't treat it like a job!

**Lord, strengthen your servants and  
 move us to a true sense of ministry and service,  
 through your grace and mercy. Amen.**