



**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,  
CONGREGATIONAL**

*Member of the United Church of Christ*  
*An open, welcoming and affirming congregation*  
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**Today at First Church**

**November 1, 2015**






**All Saints' Sunday and Communion**

8:00 a.m. **Worship Service & Child Care**  
 8:30 a.m. Board of Lay Life and Ministry, Room 202  
 10:00 a.m. **Worship Service & Child Care**  
 10:15 a.m. Church School  
 11:00 a.m. Cherub Choir, Room 112  
 11:20 a.m. Board of Christian Education, Room 202  
 11:30 a.m. Prospective New Members Second Session, Parlor  
 4:30 p.m. **Spark! Worship Service**  
 6:00 p.m. Senior High Fellowship, Youth Room



**Church School Schedule**

**Attention Parents:** We are in our unit called "Out of Egypt," and the schedule is below. Please note: some classes are combined for this unit.

	<u>Kindergarten &amp; 1st grade</u> <i>pink</i>	<b>Art Room 103</b>
	<u>2nd grade</u> <i>yellow</i>	<b>Cooking Room 205</b>
	<u>3rd grade</u> <i>purple</i>	<b>Cooking Room 205</b>
	<u>4th grade</u> <i>red</i>	<b>Games Room 110</b>
	<u>5th grade</u> <i>green</i>	<b>Games Room 110</b>

Preschool is in Room 105. Children in grades 6-8 can choose between Puppet Troupe in 302/303, and Explore in the Youth Room. The kindergarteners and first graders will go to Cherub Choir as part of their Church School experience. Please pick up your children at 11:30 a.m. in Room 112. Church School runs until 11:10 a.m. today. If the service ends earlier than that, please enjoy some time in Schultz Hall before picking up your children. Thanks for your cooperation!

(The complete unit schedule is posted throughout the church and online.)



## **Spark! Sunday Afternoon Service TODAY!**

Spark!, our new worship service, had a rousing debut in October. These monthly services (on the **first Sunday of each month at 4:30 p.m.**) are spiritually moving, feature contemporary music and allow parishioners to interact in meaningful ways throughout the service. Children are always welcome, but childcare will be provided for the littlest among us for those who desire it. ***This afternoon, we will gather for a time of fellowship after the worship service and eat a simple meal of soup and bread together.*** We are an open, welcoming and affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ, and all are welcome to join us!

### **Church School Mission Project**

This year's Church School Mission Project is about helping support healthy lifestyles for children of low-income families in Hartford. At today's service and during the Church School assembly, we will get a chance to learn more about that project, and **the best way to support our goal of raising \$10,000 is through our weekly Children's Offering donations!** Be the family that gets us there and make your Children's Offering **donations!**

### **Reading Changes Lives!** **Volunteer at Wish School**

Volunteers from First Church have been helping kindergarten students at Fred Wish Elementary School in Hartford with basic reading skills. We hope to encourage their love of reading by spending time with each child reading books, talking about what excites them and what they have learned from the stories. Volunteers spend two hours weekly on a day of their choice. If you are interested or have questions call Sally Riddell at 860-657-8715 or email at [grammasal@att.net](mailto:grammasal@att.net).

### **Bloomfield Backpack Project**

Come join us on the **2nd Thursday of the month from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** to fill backpacks with food for Bloomfield children in need. Call Karen Vigeant at 860-432-4985 or [karenvigeant@outlook.com](mailto:karenvigeant@outlook.com) to sign up or feel free to sign up on the poster outside of the Christian Education office.

### **Serving Together at Family Mission Immersion Day**

Spend some time on **November 14** helping others and spreading God's love. If you can spare just a few hours, you can **sort food** at the Foodshare distribution center in Hartford, **put together Christmas packages** for children and families on the Cheyenne River Lakota (Sioux) Indian Reservation through Hawkwing in Glastonbury, work on **simple home repair jobs** through First Church Coventry's affordable housing program, or **make soup, cookies and cards and deliver them** to our First Church members. If you can't join us that day, we invite you to drop off a bar of soap that will go in the Christmas packages for the Hawkwing families. You can leave your bar of soap at the sign up table in Schultz Hall or in the back lobby in the designated box. For more information or to sign up for this mission experience, go to the table during Common Fellowship or contact Linda Sill at [LindaSinCT@yahoo.com](mailto:LindaSinCT@yahoo.com) or 860-430-1676.

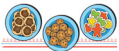
### **Collecting Turkeys and Twenties**

Foodshare is the heart of greater Hartford's fight against hunger, and each year First Church members and friends bring in turkeys and raise money to help our neighbors in need. On **November 22, help us reach our goal of 250 turkeys this year!** If you have questions, contact Nagy Mishriki at [nmishri@gmail.com](mailto:nmishri@gmail.com) or Jon Brown at 860-657-9223 or [brownjre@cox.net](mailto:brownjre@cox.net).

## Butterbraids are Back!

Pre-sale orders for our delicious winter pastry will be held **today**. This is part of our Cookie Walk fundraiser. If you are ready to fill your freezers once again with these breakfast or dessert pastries that bake in 25 minutes, stop by the Music Board table and order one or more! These will be available for pick-up at the Cookie Walk on December 5.

## Cookie Walk



and Christmas Bazaar

**Saturday, December 5, 2015**

**9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Volunteers Needed!!**

- \* TO BAKE DELICIOUS COOKIES
- \* TO HELP AT THE EVENT

Please contact Alison Franklin at [amfranklin1@cox.net](mailto:amfranklin1@cox.net)

### Festive Holiday Cookies and More

- \* Butterbraids
- \* Hand crafted wood items
- \* Fresh evergreen wreaths
- \* Dog bone wreaths
- \* Handmade quilt, table runners and hand towels
- \* First Church Choirs CD: "Praise and Thanksgiving"
- \* SERRV products

Cookie Walk proceeds to benefit the First Church music programs.

**Children's Choirs will sing carols at 9:30**

## Stewardship Update

In 2015, we received 305 pledges totaling \$716,000. We currently have received 187 pledges totaling \$570,897. If you have not done so please complete your pledge as soon as possible or contact the First Church Office Manager (Rebecca Fleahman; e-mail: [rebeccafleahman@glastonburyfirst.org](mailto:rebeccafleahman@glastonburyfirst.org); Phone: 860-633-4641 ext. 122) to provide your pledge for 2016. Thank you for your support of First Church!!!

## We Need Your Time & Talent!

*Time & Talent* forms are available in the back lobby and the narthex. If you have filled it out in the past and your interests haven't changed, then you don't need to fill it out again, because we have that information stored in our database. There are so many ways you can help!

First Church's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual

## Harvest Supper & Talent Show

November 21 from 5-8 PM, Saturday night (THAT'S NEW!)  
Riverfront Community Center, Welles St., Glastonbury  
A Pot Luck with NO last name assignments (THAT'S NEW TOO!)

Please bring YOUR favorite dish to share with 8 and ready to be served (carved, sliced, etc.)

LET "THE SHOW" BEGIN!

**Headliners (Entrée dish)** – How about a roasted chicken, a pan of lasagna, or meatballs?

**Co-Starring (Vegetables)** – Roasted veggies are nice, or some glazed carrots? Salad anyone?

**Understudies (Pasta, Rice, Potato)** – Rice pilaf? Scalloped potatoes? Baked ziti?

**Grand Finale (Dessert)** – Pie (sweet potato, apple...) or maybe those killer cookies?

What role will YOU play?

Stop by our table during Common Fellowship to reserve your seat. Reservations can also be made through 11/16 by calling the church office at 860-633-4641, or emailing Sandi Philbrook at [novakgr1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:novakgr1@sbcglobal.net).

Suggested donation: \$5 per person, \$25 Family

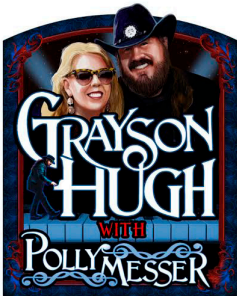
And join us for an Encore of entertainment provided by talented members of our First Church family.

Children's activities will also be provided.

Brought to you by LAY LIFE AND MINISTRY



Music at the Meetinghouse Presents...



**Saturday,  
November 7**

**7:30 p.m.**

A donation of  
**\$10 per person**  
is suggested. **\$20**  
family maximum.

**The Blue-Eyed Soul Legend**

# This Week at First Church

## Monday, November 2, 2015

- 5:45 p.m. Youth Board, Youth Room  
7:00 p.m. Board of Christian Service,  
Room 204  
7:00 p.m. Board of Deacons, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees, Room 202

## Tuesday, November 3, 2015

- 7:30 a.m. Potpourri, Kitchen  
9:45 a.m. Prayer and Share, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers, Meetinghouse

## Wednesday, November 4, 2015

- 12:00 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch: Gordon  
Bates, Schultz Hall  
5:00 p.m. Caroler Choir  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (and Mentors)  
6:30 p.m. Board of Music, Lehman Library

## Thursday, November 5, 2015

- 9:30 a.m. Thursday Morning Study Group,  
Lehman Library  
4:00 p.m. Cantate Choir  
5:00 p.m. Ribbon Work  
5:00 p.m. Mallets Bell Choir  
6:00 p.m. Cantabile Choir  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

## Friday, November 6, 2015

- 6:00 p.m. Cantate/Cantabile Choir  
Sleepover, Schultz Hall

## Saturday, November 7, 2015

- 7:30 p.m. Music in the Meetinghouse:  
Grayson Hugh with Polly Messer

## Sunday, November 8, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service & Child Care**  
**10:00 a.m. Worship Service & Child Care**  
10:15 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Cherub Choir, Room 112  
11:30 a.m. Hale House Information Session,  
Parlor  
4:00 p.m. Second Sunday Book Club,  
Lehman Library  
4:00 p.m. Spark! Planning Meeting,  
Room 202  
6:00 p.m. SH Fellowship, Youth Room

## Brown Bag Lunch November 4

Gordon Bates will recount his 17-day, September Road Scholar tour of two historic regions in England: The Lake District in a western area historically called Cumbria; and the area called Northumbria that lies below the border with Scotland and extends down to the city of York on the east coast of England. It's "BYOL" - bring your own lunch, but beverages and dessert will be provided. **Please RSVP to the church office and join us in Schultz Hall from 12:00 - 1:15 p.m.**



Stay up to date with what's going on around church, and "like" us!

## Multi-Faith Prayer Breakfast

Join in multi-faith prayer, music, education and reflection, "**There is Abundance in Hartford,**" on **Thursday, November 12 at 7:15 a.m. at The Artists Collective, 1200 Albany Avenue, Hartford.** For information: <http://ghpb.weebly.com/>. **Free parking.**

### MINISTERS

*All the members of the church*  
*Pastor Emeritus The Rev. Dr. Carl F. Schultz, Jr. (1932 - 2012)*

### PASTORS

The Rev. David T. Taylor, *Senior Pastor*  
The Rev. Kate VanDerzee-Glidden, *Associate Pastor*

Rebecca Fleahman, *Office Manager*      Angela Salcedo, *Director of Music Ministries*      Cheryl Foley, *Child Care Provider*  
Wes Grove, *Facilities Manager*      Kathy Ciolkosz, *Administrative Assistant*      Karin Carlino, *Church School Administrator*  
The Rev. Gordon Bates, *Minister of Visitation*      Jack Farrell, *Director of Children and Youth Ministries*      Valerie Escalera, *Program Administrator*  
Susan Feller, *Publications Specialist*      Peggy Hartman, *Director of Handbell Program and Children's Choirs*