



FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, CONGREGATIONAL

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Television Ministry: LIVING THE WORD,
Sundays, 7:30 a.m. and noon, Cox Cable Channel 15
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Today at First Church

8:00 a.m. Worship Service & Child Care Worship Service & Child Care

10:15 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Cherub Choir, Room 112

11:00 a.m. 4th & 5th Grade Bake Sale, Schultz Hall

11:30 a.m. *Spark!* Meeting, Lehman Library

6:00 p.m. Senior High Fellowship (Mission Focus), Youth Room

Church School Schedule

Attention Parents: We are starting Unit 6, "The Lord's Supper," and our schedule is below. Please note: some classes are combined for this unit.

G. 5.	Kindergarten & 1st grade pink	Cooking Room 205 Susan Bonitsky
	2nd grade yellow	Music Room 204 Jessica & Andy Bean
	3rd grade purple	Music Room 204 Jessica & Andy Bean
Î	4th grade red	Art Room 103 Adam Garrity
S	5th grade green	Art Room 103 Adam Garrity

Preschool is in Room 105. Children in grades 6-8 can choose between Puppet Troupe in 302/ 303, and Explore in the Youth Room.

March 13, 2016

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.)

Please note that the monies collected in the envelopes with this logo are used to support the 2015-2016 Church School Mission Project, **The Children's Wellness Center**. We suggest a donation of \$1 per week.



Prospective New Members' Gathering on April 3

The Church Growth and Membership Committee would like to cordially invite those persons who have worshipped here and would like to make First Church their church home to attend the next prospective member gathering on April 3 at 11:30 a.m. New members will join on Sunday, April 10, at the 10:00 a.m. worship service. For more information, please speak to one of the Pastors or contact Kathy Ciolkosz in the church office at 860-633-4641, extension 110, or kathyc@glastonburyfirst.org.

IFI Film Field Trip TODAY



Initiative

Please join the Interfaith Friendship Committee in its continuing exploration of various religious beliefs and practices and their role in today's Interfaith Friendship world. Our next event is a trip to the Interfaith Film Series

jointly presented by the Connecticut Council for Interreligious Understanding, Inc. and the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art. We plan to attend a film, shown at the Aetna Theater, Wadsworth Atheneum, 600 Main St., Hartford. Today at 2:00 p.m., is Hassan & Marcus, a "comedy featuring Mahmoud, a Muslim sheik... and Boulos, a Christian theologian..."

Admission is \$9; Seniors and Students: \$8; Wadsworth Atheneum Members: \$7. Those wishing to carpool should meet in the church parking lot no later than 1:20 p.m. Following the film, we will go out for a light meal and an informal discussion before returning to the church parking lot.



Easter Flower Orders Due Tomorrow

Easter flower order forms are available in your *Reminder* or in the narthex. Please note the deadline to return them to the church office is **9:00** a.m. on Monday, March 14.

Pancake Breakfast & Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 26

"Hop" on over to this "egg-citing" annual pancake feast in Schultz Hall where "every bunny" is invited! We'll begin serving pancakes at 9:00 a.m. with a second seating

available after the kids join Peter Rabbit at 9:45 a.m. for an Easter Egg Hunt, rain or shine. This all ages event is sponsored by the Junior High Fellowship and the Youth Board to benefit the Senior High Mission Trip fund. Your suggested donation of \$5 per person (family maximum of \$25) is much appreciated! **Attention Flapjack Flippers** & Syrup Slingers: We need your help! We are looking for Junior and Senior High students, parents, alumni or anyone else who'd like to help us with this tasty fundraiser. Interested? Contact Cheryl Zalewski 860-930-9506 or cherylzalewski@sbcglobal.net.

Please Donate White Cotton Socks

The Board of Christian Service is sponsoring a sock collection for a foot clinic that will be held at Church Street Eats (A Manna Program) at Christ Church Cathedral Hartford on *Wednesday, March 23*. Many of the clients who attend Church Street Eats are in need of someone to care for the health of their feet. This population is at risk for poor foot health.



The intention is to educate the attendees on proper foot care showing them how to prevent or look for signs of infection, bathe feet, inspect feet for the beginning of wounds, check pedal pulses, file toenails, apply Aquaphor lotion, provide clean white cotton socks, and refer clients for treatment, if need be, to a wound care center in Hartford. There will be a basket for the white cotton socks in the back lobby.

Family in Need, Can You Help?

A single mother with three children in Manchester recently had a fire in their home. They are in desperate need of clothing for the kids. They are two girls, aged 12 and 16, and a 9-yr-old boy. The fire destroyed so much of their things, especially the oldest girl's. <u>Gift cards to Target</u> would be the most appreciated. Our social worker, Kara Lam will collect them and deliver them. Please leave the cards in the office at the church. Questions, call Lorie Martin 860-430-5398. Thank you!!!

Munson's Candy

Candies ordered through the Choir Camp fundraiser *can be picked up TODAY and March 20, and there will be additional candy for sale on those dates.* Thank you for your support of Choir Camp!



Women's Theological Group March 16

We invite all interested First Church women to join us at **8:00** *a.m.* in the Lehman Library to discuss a variety of faith questions, reflect on our personal journeys and share friendship and community. Contact Lynn Baronas at 860-543-3301 or baronas@hartford.edu with questions.

Sunday Book Club: DATE CHANGE

The Second Sunday Book Club will meet on **Sunday**, **April** 3 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss **Just Mercy** by Bryan Stevenson. Those who have read this gripping nonfiction narrative of the state of our justice system claim it is a life-changing read. Join us for a vibrant discussion in the church library!

Join Chancel Choir for "Elijah"

On *Thursday, April* 14, the Chancel Choir will be taking a trip to The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts to see Mendelssohn's epic oratorio, "*Elijah*." This full-scale symphonic performance will be presented by the 170 professional quality voices of the Hartford Chorale, along with the Hartford Symphony Orchestra and Connecticut Children's Chorus. Baritone Stephen Bryant will perform his signature role as the prophet Elijah. If you would like to join the First Church Chancel Choir to take advantage of the group discounts, and see a not-to-be-missed performance, *contact Arwen Norman by TODAY* at gnanorman@me.com.

This Week at First Church

Monday, March 14, 2016

6:30 p.m. JH Fellowship, Youth Room

6:30 p.m. Search Committee,

Lehman Library

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

7:30 a.m. Potpourri, Kitchen 9:45 a.m. Prayer and Share, Parlor 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee,

Lehman Library

7:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers, Meetinghouse

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

8:00 a.m. Women's Theological Reflection

Group, Lehman Library

9:00 a.m. Library Volunteers 10:15 a.m. Mobile Foodshare 5:00 p.m. Caroler Choir

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (w/mentors),

Schultz Hall/Youth Room

Food Collection

Our donations for our neighbors in need go to Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry in Hartford and MACC. **In March, we are collecting oatmeal, canned veggies and other items.** Thanks!

Thursday, March 17, 2016

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

Saturday, March 19, 2016

10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Tableau Rehearsal,

Meetinghouse

7:30 p.m. Music in the Meetinghouse:

Mostly Baroque Players

Sunday, March 20, 2016: Palm Sunday 8:00 a.m. Worship Service & Child Care

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10:15 a.m. Church School

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11:00 a.m. Cherub Choir, Room 112

11:15 a.m. VBS Meeting, Lehman Library

3:00 p.m. Magic Show, Schultz Hall 6:00 p.m. SH Fellowship, Youth Room

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

You Can SHARE in the Youth Mission Trip Experience

We encourage everyone in the First Church family to support this year's youth mission trip to Washington, DC in April by purchasing "Shares" for \$20 each. This is a great way to participate in our mission outreach and there is no limit to the number you can buy! You'll receive a share certificate and be included in our year-end report to shareholders of mission activities. Your donation will be included in your First Church giving statement. Please stop by the Youth table *TODAY* during Common Fellowship!

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*

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