



**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
CONGREGATIONAL**

Member of the United Church of Christ
An open, welcoming and affirming congregation
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Television Ministry: **LIVING THE WORD**,
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Today at First Church






May 15, 2016

10:00 a.m. **Worship Service & Child Care**
 10:15 a.m. Church School
 11:00 a.m. Cherub Choir, Room 112
 4:00 p.m. Second Sunday Book Club, Lehman Library
 6:00 p.m. Senior High Fellowship, Youth Room



Church School Schedule

Attention Parents: We are starting Unit 8, "Pentecost," and our schedule is below. Please note: some classes are combined for this unit.

	<u>Kindergarten & 1st grade</u> <i>pink</i>	Cooking Room 205 Sandi Philbrook
	<u>2nd grade</u> <i>yellow</i>	Games Room 110 Karen Simmons
	<u>3rd grade</u> <i>purple</i>	Games Room 110 Karen Simmons
	<u>4th grade</u> <i>red</i>	Storytelling Room 111 Lisa Charles
	<u>5th grade</u> <i>green</i>	Storytelling Room 111 Lisa Charles

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.)

*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.*

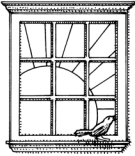


Rummage Sale May 20 and 21!



Please save your extra items and the dates, *Friday, May 20, and Saturday, May 21*, for the Spring Rummage Sale! **Items can be left in Room 103.** For more information or to volunteer, please contact Nancy Higgins (nnhigg@att.net or 860-633-6604) or Suzanne Schwartz (stonehill126@gmail.com or 860-430-1350). Thank you!

2016 Pentecost Offering



Pentecost is today. This year the Pentecost offering will be used for new windows for the Youth Room. Those wishing to contribute to this needed and important project can find special Pentecost envelopes in the church pews, in your offering boxes, or by simply noting "Pentecost" in the memo section of your check.

Thank you for giving, *Your Board of Trustees*

Carol's Closet Collection

Carol's Closet, a paper pantry, was started by the faithful members of St. James Episcopal Church, and the Board of Christian Service has been supportive of this project. The paper pantry serves the elderly and low income families of Glastonbury who do not have the resources to purchase paper products: toilet paper, paper towels, Depends, shampoo, soap, and other personal items. It was recently brought to our Board's attention that there is significant need for incontinence products. The Board of Christian Services would like your help collecting **men's and women's incontinence products, as well as toilet paper** (preferably the 4-pack). There will be a **collection box in the back lobby through the month of May.** Thanks!

Volunteer at Mobile Foodshare or Help Deliver Food

Mobile Foodshare is a "farmer's market" style food distribution service that provides fresh produce and other food items to between 90 and 150 lower income people. Foodshare sponsors this service, and it takes place **every other Wednesday in our back parking lot.** If you are interested in volunteering (adults, youth and children are welcome), contact Sally Riddell at 860-657-8715.

Besides distributing food to needy people in our parking lot twice a month, our volunteers collect food from ShopRite in East Hartford, bringing 500 to 1,000 lbs of meat, produce, baked goods and groceries weekly to shelters and soup kitchens in Hartford. If you would like to help, please contact John Dugan at 860-659-2193 or Paul Fraleigh at 860-643-1571.

Food Collection

First Church has a long tradition of collecting food items for our neighbors in need. Our donations go to Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry in Hartford and to Manchester Area Conference of Churches (MACC). There are baskets at church in the back lobby and in the narthex. **In May, we're asking for contributions of soup, chili, cereal and other items people are willing to donate.** Please be sure the items are not expired or open. Thank you!



Music at the Meetinghouse Presents...

ELM CITY GIRLS' CHOIR



New Haven's Premiere Female A Cappella Choir

Saturday, June 4, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.
Ice Cream Social following

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

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First Church now has a Facebook page! Stay up to date with what's going on around church, and make sure to "like" us!

For Cantate, Cantabile and Mallets Choirs, August 21-24

The Cantate, Cantabile and Mallets Choirs will attend Choir Camp 2015 from **August 21-24** at the Incarnation Center in Ivoryton, CT. The choristers will have a fun-filled week of singing, ringing, playing games, swimming, hiking, storytelling over a campfire and great fellowship. **The total cost per chorister will be \$250, which includes accommodations and meals. A deposit of \$100 to reserve your place at the camp is due by June 1.** Sign up forms are available in the church office and choir room. Please contact Angela Salcedo (angelasalcedo@glastonburyfirst.org) if you are interested in chaperoning.



Are You Ready for Camp?

Registration for summer 2016 at Silver Lake Conference Center is open. Check out the Silver Lake website (<http://silverlakect.org>) to find conferences for 4th through 12th graders, CIT training weekend, biking adventures, the National Youth Event, a trip to Mexico with Simply Smiles, and more! It's all waiting for you!

Please Donate to The Wellness Center

Our Church School Mission Project, **The Children's Wellness Center**, needs your support! We've set a fundraising goal of \$10,000! With a focus on creating safe and secure places for Hartford's low-income families, **The Children's Wellness Center** strives to develop healthy lifestyles through nutritional education (*a teaching kitchen*), through physical education (*large exercise space*) and through encouragement of a joyful childhood (*indoor playground*) – goals that aren't much different from First Church's mission! Thank you for your continued support, and thank you for supporting our children so that they can support Hartford's children.

Women's Theological Reflection Group May 18

We hope you will mark your calendars to join us around the table at the Women's Theological Reflection Group, where we discuss a variety of faith questions, reflect on our personal journeys and share friendship and community. We meet on the **third Wednesday of each month, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.** in the Lehman Library. Feel free to contact Lynn Baronas at 860-543-3301 or baronas@hartford.edu for further information.

This Week at First Church

Monday, May 16, 2016

6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry,
Lehman Library
7:00 p.m. Annual Meeting, Meetinghouse
7:30 p.m. Council, Parlor

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

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

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

8:00 a.m. Women's Theological Reflection
Group, Lehman Library
9:00 a.m. Library Volunteers
7:00 p.m. Korean Partnership,
Lehman Library

Thursday, May 19, 2016

9:30 a.m. Thursday Morning Study
Group, Lehman Library
1:00 p.m. Memorial Committee,
Lehman Library
4:00 p.m. Cantate Choir
5:00 p.m. Mallets Bell Choir
5:00 p.m. Ribbon Work
6:00 p.m. Cantabile Choir
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, May 20, 2016

2:30 p.m. Rummage Sale

Saturday, May 21, 2016

9:30 a.m. Rummage Sale

Sunday, May 22, 2016

Music Celebration Sunday

10:00 a.m. **Worship Service & Child Care**
10:15 a.m. Church School
11:15 a.m. VBS Meeting, Lehman Library
6:00 p.m. SH Fellowship, Youth Room

Vacation Bible School August 1 – 5



Mark your calendar for Vacation Bible School at First Church! **VBS will run from August 1-5** and is for children ages 4 through incoming 5th graders. Get ready to

Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love! Contact Karin Carlino at ceadmin@glastonburyfirst.org for more information or **come to our table during coffee hour TODAY!**

Altar Flowers Requested

Please contact Susan Bonitsky 860-633-7128 or kowsz@juno.com to place altar flowers in memory of, in celebration of, or in honor of people, events or accomplishments. Arrangements can be left at the church or taken home after the service.

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