



**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

October 16, 2016

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
 off-site Senior High Fellowship Potato Booth at Glastonbury Apple Fest



Church School Schedule

<u>Kindergarten & 1st grade</u>	Games Room 110 Karen Simmons
<u>2nd grade</u>	Art Room 103 Kim King
<u>3rd grade</u>	Art Room 103 Kim King
<u>4th grade</u>	Music Room 206 Emily Keel
<u>5th grade</u>	Music Room 206 Emily Keel

Attention Parents: We are starting Unit 2, "Joseph," and our schedule is below. Please note: some classes are combined for this unit.

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.

Visit Our Potato Booth to Support the Youth Mission Trip!

This weekend, through Sunday, October 16, Glastonbury is in the throes of our annual fair – Apple Fest! The Senior High Fellowship will be running our traditional Potato Booth again this year. Stop by for a delicious baked potato, say "hi" to our awesome youth and drop some cash in the tip jar – all proceeds go toward sending our youth on our Mission Trip to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, Mississippi in April! Thank you!





We Are Invited to Celebrate Simchat Torah on October 23

Congregation Kol Haverim (1079 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury) invites congregants of First Church to join them in celebration of Simchat Torah **on Sunday, October 23, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.** This is a joyous occasion when the last verses of the Torah scroll and the first verses of Genesis are read. Rabbi Wylen will be delighted to show you the Torah scroll and explain how it is written and used in our services. Children of all ages are invited. If the weather is good, we may be carrying (and dancing with) our three Torah scrolls outside to the music of a Klezmer band. Refreshments will be provided. Dress is business casual. If you have questions, please email Brenda Auerbach at brendasmaga@gmail.com or 860-680-2353.

Prospective New Members Gathering on October 30

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 **Sunday, October 30 at 11:30 a.m.** A second session is **Sunday, November 6, at 11:30 a.m.** New members will join on **Sunday, November 13, 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.

Volunteer for our Mission Immersion Day on November 12

Come one, come all, to share God's love in the world! *Spend a few hours on November 12* volunteering your time to help others. If you can spare just a few hours, you can:

- Put together Christmas packages for children and families on the Cheyenne River Lakota Sioux Reservation through Hawkwing in Glastonbury
- Work on home repair jobs through Habitat for Humanity
- Or make soup, cookies and cards and deliver them to our First Church members.



For more information or to sign up for this mission experience, go to the table during coffee hour or contact Linda Sill at LindaSinCT@yahoo.com or 860-430-1676.

Stewardship Update: Please Pledge by October 20

With your prayerful support of First Church's vital and vibrant mission, together we will continue to build the beloved community and share God's beautiful love with one another and with the world! The pledge letters for the 2017 Stewardship Campaign were mailed several weeks ago. Please mail your pledge to the church office or put it in the offering plate **at your earliest convenience, or no later than October 20.** Please help us exceed our goal of \$750,000! Thank you in advance for your support! ~ The Stewardship Committee

Proportional Giving Chart

If Family Income is:	3% Pledge		5% Pledge	
	Annual Total	Average Per Week	Annual Total	Average Per Week
\$25,000	\$750	\$15	\$1,250	\$24
\$50,000	\$1,500	\$29	\$2,500	\$48
\$75,000	\$2,250	\$43	\$3,750	\$72
\$100,000	\$3,000	\$58	\$5,000	\$96
\$125,000	\$3,750	\$72	\$6,250	\$120
\$150,000	\$4,500	\$87	\$7,500	\$144
\$175,000	\$5,250	\$100	\$8,750	\$168
\$200,000	\$6,000	\$115	\$10,000	\$192
\$250,000	\$7,500	\$144	\$12,500	\$240
\$300,000	\$9,000	\$173	\$15,000	\$288

Music at the
Meetinghouse
Presents...

BRIAN PATTON



**“Almost Cool”
A Program of Broadway Tunes**
Saturday, November 12, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

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

Cantate and Cantabile Choirs Sleepover November 4-5

On **Friday, November 4**, there will be a sleepover for the Cantate and Cantabile Choirs. This fun-filled event will entail an evening of baking Christmas Cookies for the “Cookie Walk” fundraiser followed by board games and a movie. **Choristers should arrive at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening.** We will order pizza for dinner, and have pancakes and sausages for breakfast on Saturday, followed by a 45-minute choir rehearsal. **The sleepover will end at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. The cost for the sleepover is \$5 per chorister to cover breakfast and pizza.** Mrs. Salcedo is looking for a total of six parents to help chaperone. Please contact her at the church office (860-633-4641) if you are interested in chaperoning or need more information.

Pipescreams, Friday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m.

The Greater Hartford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present their yearly **Pipescreams** concert here at First Church. This “Spook-tacular” program will entail an hour of scary organ music performed by organists from the Hartford area and the surrounding towns in costume on our fabulous Schoenstein organ. Angela Salcedo, our Director of Music Ministries, will open the program with the well-known *Toccata and Fugue in D Minor* by J.S. Bach. Everyone is invited to come to this event in costume with your children. Ghoulish desserts and treats will be served at the reception to follow. The free-will offering proceeds will go towards the second prize winner of the L. Cameron Johnson Memorial Organ Competition for High School students held at the University of Connecticut on May 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry October 17

Knitters and crocheters will gather for their regular meeting on **October 17, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in the Lehman Library.** Whether you are new to the group or would like to learn to knit or crochet, all are welcome for handicrafts and fellowship. Yarn is provided. Bring a #11 or #13 pair of knitting needles, or a medium to large crochet hook, and receive some instruction. If you have questions, call Co-Chairs Judy Burr at 860-643-9368 or Liz Webb at 860-593-7831.



Women’s Theological Reflection Group on October 19

We invite all interested First Church women to join us on the third Wednesday of each month to discuss a variety of faith questions, reflect on our personal journeys and share friendship and community. We hope to see you from **8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** in the Lehman Library. Please contact Danae Dwyer at danaedwyer@me.com or 860-967-2269 with questions.

Butterbraids are Back!

Pre-sale orders for our delicious winter pastry will be held on **Sunday, November 3.** 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 3.**



This Week at First Church

Monday, October 17, 2016

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

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

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

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

8:00 a.m. Women's Theological Reflection
Group, Lehman Library
9:00 a.m. Library Volunteers
5:00 p.m. Caroler Choir
7:00 p.m. Church Growth & Membership
Committee, Lehman Library

Thursday, October 20, 2016

9:30 a.m. Thursday Morning Study Group,
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

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4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class, Youth Room
6:00 p.m. Sr. High Fellowship, Youth Room

JHF Retreat November 11-13!

We are excited for our Junior High Fellowship retreat **November 11-13** at Silver Lake Conference Center! We will have time to relax, play, pray, eat and have lots of fun! Check our website home page for information and registration. Contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@glastonburyfirst.org with questions.

Upcoming Sunday Morning Worship Services

October 23 – 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Preacher: David Taylor
Children's Sabbath

The Beloved Community – A Challenging Love!

8:00 a.m. Wayne Rivera, tenor
10:00 a.m. Chancel and Cantabile Choirs

October 30 – **One service at 10:00 a.m.**

Preacher: David Taylor
*A Celebration of First Church's
Life and Ministry*

Chancel Choir and the **Spark!** Band

“Tour” Great Works of Art at TMSG!

For four Thursdays (October 20 and 27 and November 3 and 10 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.) you can treat yourself to a “*feast for the eyes*” as the Thursday Morning Study Group gathers to learn more about some wonderful works of art at New England’s world-renowned galleries! See the *Reminder* for more information. Please call the church office (860-633-4641) to sign up.

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*

Wes Grove, *Facilities Manager*

The Rev. Gordon Bates, *Minister of Visitation*

Elizabeth Gleich, *Director of Children and Youth Ministries*

Angela Salcedo, *Director of Music Ministries*

Kathy Ciolkosz, *Administrative Assistant*

Valerie Escalera, *Program Administrator*

Cheryl Foley, *Child Care Provider*

Karin Carlino, *Church School Administrator*

Susan Feller, *Publications Specialist*

Peggy Hartman, *Director of Handbell Program and Children's Choirs*