

The Fisherman

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September—

26—The Wardens, Treasurer, and Rector will present an update of the **progress of the Capital Campaign at an Adult Forum following the 10 AM service**. Discussion will center on finances, projects completed, and projects which remain.

October—

2—**Acolyte Training** for children 10 years and up who would like to become acolytes will be held from 9 AM-11:45 AM. Training for new crucifers and refresher training for existing acolytes will be held from 1 PM to 2:30. Pizza will be served from 12-12:45. Call the church to register or sign up in the slype.

2—**St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals, 3 PM on St. John's Green**. Public is invited, and everyone is welcome. Pets should be in cages or on a leash please. In case of rain, the event will take place in the church.

2—**Episcopal Church Women of St. John's will sponsor a Baby Shower at 2 PM in the Parish Hall**. The event will benefit the Child & Family Agency in New London in honor of Pat King. New and gently used gifts do not need to be wrapped, just bagged or covered. Please also bring a children's book which will be donated to early literacy programs in our community. Sign up in the slype or call Amanda DeSanto Zawacki at 860-447-9769.

3—At the 8 & 10 AM services **St John's Pilgrims**, Megan Cordeau, Maddy MacDonnell, Mathew Whittico, and Julia Zawacki, will share reflections of their journey to South Dakota this past summer. Their leaders were Harry Clarke, Annette Hall, and Tim Groome. After the 8 AM service, the Pilgrims will serve coffee and donuts in the church and speak with parishioners. After the 10 AM service they will present a slide show with a narrative of their trip.

9—**Safe church Training** for anyone who has never had the full-day training will be held at St. David's Episcopal Church, Gales Ferry from 9 AM to 4 PM. Everyone who works with parish members (Wardens, babysitters, Ministers of Communion, Pastoral Care, Sunday School, church employees) is required by the Diocese of Connecticut to take this course. Sign up in the slype or call St. David's at 860-464-6516.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Sunday, October 17, 2010

Members of St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry will be participating in the 10 AM ushering, presenting the elements, displaying shawls, and serving coffee at coffee hour. The group will be available to answer questions and spread the word about this important ministry. Patterns for shawls and Christmas at Sea Program items will be available. If you knit or crochet or want to learn, the group meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at the Twin Haven Complex on Upper Pattagansett Road in East Lyme. The evening group meets on the second Monday at 7 PM in the Library of the church. Contact Kirsten Babbin at 860-701-0774 or kbabbin@ct.metrocast.net.

24—The Vestry will conduct a **Stewardship/Budget Presentation** following the 10 AM service.

31—**All Saints Day (observed)**—**Baptism during the service followed by a Pot-luck luncheon. Sign-up sheet for the luncheon will be posted in the slype.**

November

3—The **Kairos Team** will have lunch and their annual meeting in the parish hall from 12:30 PM-3:30 PM. Call Valerie Dixon for further information, 860-691-1522.

4—**Diocesan Episcopal Church Women United Thank Offering Eucharist Ingathering** at 11 AM. Bishop Ian Douglas will celebrate, and lunch will follow the service. The service is open to all women in the Parish. Help is needed ushering, making food, setting up, serving and cleaning up. Call Judy Cook at 860-739-6067 or Amanda Zawacki at 860-447-9769 to volunteer.

6—Set clocks back one hour

7—Adult Forum following the 10 AM service: ***Care and Share of East Lyme***

7—Bountiful Baskets will be on display, and raffle tickets will be sold.

12—**Basket Bazaar Dinner**, 6 PM—Free Ziti with meat or Dick’s vegetable sauce dinner. (If you can’t eat pasta, I will cook you a chicken dinner.)(Sign up sheet will be posted soon.)

13—**Bountiful Basket Bazaar, 9 AM-1 PM.** Sign up sheets for baskets and volunteer positions will be posted in the back of the church. Call Judy Cook at 860-739-6067 or email her at jrcook@ct.metrocast.net with questions or to volunteer.

14—**Fall Clean up** following the 10 AM service. (Rain Date: November 21)

21—**Advent Wreath Making** after 10 AM service. Children register for Christmas Pageant.

21—**Community Thanksgiving Interfaith Service** Sponsored by the New London County Interfaith Clergy Association. Service will be held at All Souls Unitarian Church, Jay Street, New London at 4 PM.

25—**St. John’s Thanksgiving Day Service--10 AM.**

Ongoing Activities:

- *Members of St. John’s cook and serve the evening meal at the **New London Soup Community Meal Center (Soup Kitchen)** on the third Sunday of each month. Volunteers are always needed for prep and serving. Training is available. Contact Christy Hayes at 860-739-0345 or Chester Fairlie at 860-739-4270 for information.*
- **Choir** rehearsals meet on Thursday evenings. Contact Organist, John Anthony, 860-443-4968 for information on joining the choir.
- The **Junior Choir** is open to any child in first grade and up. Contact Sue Worgul, at 860-739-5670 for information.
- St. John’s is pleased to announce Joan Burnham and Elizabeth St. Marie as the new **Altar Guild** Co-Directors. We certainly thank all the guild members who have been so faithful in their responsibilities. The Guild is always looking for more members to share in this special ministry of preparing the altar for services, maintaining candles, and caring for silver, brass, and linens. There are no routine meetings, and you work in teams of two on a rotating basis every 4-5 weeks. Contact Mother Rogers, Joan Burnham, 869-739-6195 or Elizabeth St. Marie, 860-445-3233. You will receive much more than you give.
- Copies of St. John’s Cookbook, **Heavenly Delights**, are available for \$12 in the parish office, 860-739-2324.

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