

Announcements for October 4, 2015

Welcome to your church! We welcome Chris George from IRIS today (Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services) who will be visiting with the Church School and then join us for Coffee Hour Q and A so adults can get a chance to ask about refugee work; **Communion** uses a common cup for wine and wheat wafers. You can take the wafer only if you prefer, or “intinct” the wafer into the wine. Non-gluten wafers? Check with clergy at the rail. Thanks to service participants! (the schedule is on the back table)

Budget Committee meets on October 18th at 11:30 a.m. in the Library

Church School – We are currently looking for engaged and committed folks to help out for the next curriculum cycle starting mid-October. We are collecting household essentials for **IRIS** which works with political refugees given asylum by the US government. **Nicole Nichols churchschoolpomfret@gmail.com**

CSO Dinner: We raised \$700. Thank you

Grounds Clean up and Clean out at Christ Church: Saturday, October 17th, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Guatemala: Last Call.... Today; Our 8 day trip leaves on Jan. 10th of 2016. Deposits were due at the PID website this week. We have several commitments. PID will be arranging flights shortly. Thanks.

Nutsale... We’ve begun. Time to get those orders in. Forms on back table. All the money goes to outreach. The Deadline to get the forms in is October 18th!

Pastoral Notes: Jean Sheldon, terminal cancer; Paul Humphreys, bike accident.

Safe Church- Another nearby site for training: St. Mark’s, Mystic on Oct. 31th. Required for Employees, Eucharistic Visitors and Teen Leaders; Recommended for Vestry and Church School.

Special Mission - the Rev. Oscar Brockmeyer’s programs on Spirituality begin in Oct. More in the Reminder.

Teen Program: Rite-13 (grades 6-7), J2A (8-9) and YAC (10 grade+). Thanks for everyone’s support at the Teen Program Celebration; **Leaders:** Rite-13: Kim Bergandahl, Greg Nichols with Christine Carter; new J2A: Amy Nunes, Adam Squire, Ginger Lusa, Brian Smith, Cyndi Sturni with Steve Adams; YAC: Jen Ritzau, Peter Mann with Donna Bessette; deedeespa@charter.net; 860-963-1245.

Vine and Branches Mural: Send us your family selfies via email for posting on our mural? The Rite-13 Class is working on this as well as Jim Goodwin!

Women’s Spiritual Growth Workshop continues. Our next evening is penciled in for 7-8:30 pm on Tuesday, October 20th in the Christ Church library for spiritual and faith exploration, story-sharing, and celebrating our Sisterhood! No experience necessary, just bring yourselves. We’re doing a poll to see if this night is better than the 4th Tuesday. (Plenty of laughter and snacks included!) Questions? Contact Jane Hale at jclhale@charter.net.

Worship Upcoming: Healing Eucharist: Wed., October 7th, this week! No 9:15 next Sunday, October 11th

House-keeping:

Courier Deadline for November: October 19th; *We will mail out first class to those who request it.* Our **Thursday Reminder** is a key email update (which includes the Courier). **Do we have your email or snail-mail address?** Update or renew, see the form on the music stand **or email** (address below).

Directories... there are *usually* directories of the parish in the basket to the left just inside the office!

CSO – Community Kitchen on October 26th. Cooking a meal at CCPomfret and taking it to the Hill Church (1st Cong.) in Woodstock. See Pauline Phillips, Supervisor. **We collect durable foods here weekly for ACCESS.**

Flowers: the memorial/thanksgiving form is on the stand in back. Master Flower Sign-up outside the office.

Pastoral Call Emergencies should be directed to office (860-315-7780) or Fr. Dave’s cell phone: 860-608-7632. Or if you need to call in prayer concerns to the **Prayer Chain** call the office: 860-315-7780.

Prayer Shawls – Blessed shawls on the back table of the church (please write in who is receiving the gift in the shawl journal). More in the hallway closet by the offices: Rebecca Patenaude: patenaude.rebecca@gmail.com.

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For the Beauty of the Earth

Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, alt.

DIX 7.7.7.7.7.
*Abridged from a chorale by
Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872*

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, For the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the beau - ty of each hour Of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de-light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, Broth-er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,

For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
For the mys - tic har - mo - ny Link-ing sense to sound and sight,
Friends on earth, and friends a - bove, For all gen - tle thoughts and mild,

Lord of all, to thee we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise. A-men.

5 For each perfect gift of thine
Unto us so freely given,
Graces, human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,

6 For thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,