

CHRONICLE PLUS

Community Church of Durham, UCC

Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

office@ccdurham.org ~ CCDurham.org ~ 603-868-1230**TODAY AT COMMUNITY CHURCH**

9:00 am	Bible Study	Parlor
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:15 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
12:00 noon	Education & Faith Formation Meeting	Library

Announcements: To include an announcement in the weekly Chronicle Plus or E-News, please email your announcement to the church office by noon on Wednesdays of the week the announcement is to appear.

November is Little Known Facts month. LKF: Cash donations in the weekly offering account for less than 2% of the church's budget needs. Your pledge makes all the difference!

And yes, there's an app for that. Give+Church is a free mobile app for ACH (checking) or debit/credit card donations. It's available on both Android and Apple platforms. All gifts are recorded by CCD's accounting software and you'll receive an annual record of your giving. Dianne Thompson (diannet@ccdurham.org) can help you with these effective, efficient ways to support CCD's mission and ministry. Thank you for your generosity!

New Adult Bible Study! Ever want to learn more about these ancient stories and their many famous characters? What is their historical context? Who wrote them? When? What purpose do they serve in the scriptures? Join us with your questions in an adult Bible Study with Pastor Jill. This will be an additional study created in order to offer an alternative meeting time for those who cannot make our 9am Sunday morning meeting. If interested, please contact Kristin at kristinf@ccdurham.org. Thank you!

Fellowship Hour Hosts Invited: Please sign up to host Fellowship Hour one Sunday this fall. It's fun and easy, and is a gift to other members and friends. All encouraged to take a turn! Simple instructions can be found in the kitchen, or by contacting the church office. A sign-up board can be found in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Berry Bowls for Christmas Fair! Long-time Christmas Fair attendees know that no matter how many Partridge Berry Bowls we manage to assemble, they sell out quickly. Since the Ben Franklin in Rochester closed, we no longer have a local supplier of the miniature glass ginger jars that make the best bowls. If you have any suitable bowls at home that you are willing to part with, please drop them off, with their covers, in the church office as soon as possible and we'll turn them into money on Fair Day!

Children's Choirs: Thursday afternoons in the Chapel. **Rejoice Choir:** Children from age 3-grade 2 are welcome to join. We will meet in the Chapel from 4:45-5:00. **Alleluia Choir:** Children in grades 3-8 are welcome. Rehearsals are in the Chapel from 4:15-4:45. Taking the bus from the elementary schools is an option. Middle Schoolers often walk. For info/sign up, please contact Kristin Forselius: KristinF@CCDurham.org & Lorna Ellis: Lorna.Ellis@comcast.net.

Apple Pies (frozen, homemade by our youth, grades 8 and up) will be on sale on November 19th during Fellowship Hour. Proceeds support our youth activities.

Knife Sharpening Available: Fred and Gary Hochgraf will again be sharpening knives at this year's Christmas Fair. Please bring your dull knives on Dec. 2! Those who need sharp knives for Thanksgiving are invited to bring them to the Hochgrafs at 9 Old Landing Rd. in Durham. Proceeds will be merged with those from the Fair!

The Waysmeet Community/United Campus Ministry: and their neighbors at 17 Mill Road have been the victims of burglaries and break in since late August. A person has been apprehended and arrested in connection with these crimes as well as many others on campus and in the area. The Justice and Witness Committee would like to support our partners at Waysmeet and the residents who live there by: 1. We hope to prepare a weekly meal to take over to the residents and are looking for volunteers to do that. 2. Waysmeet has its **Thanksgiving Dinner on Fri., Nov. 17th**, and we would like to have volunteers to cook for that and help serve and set up. 3. Waysmeet can use help with curtains, curtains rods and blinds to provide some more protection and security for the residents. Lastly, any cards, prayers and expressions of care and support are sincerely appreciated. If you can help, please contact Audrey Drogseth in the church office or John Mince at johnmince23@comcast.net, or 603-389-7831.

Thanksgiving Baskets for Cornucopia Food Pantry: During November we'll be collecting food for baskets to be shared with local families in need. Collection takes place on Sundays and throughout the week outside the church office. Items needed: potatoes, carrots, onions, fruit, veggies, flour, sugar, baking powder, extracts, pancake mix & syrup, muffin & cornbread mixes, rice, cereals, pasta & sauce mixes, boxed mac & cheese, soups, stuffing, coffee, tea, toiletries, household products, roasting pans. Please see the Nov. Chronicle for more info. Please drop off contributions on or by Nov. 19th. Fresh items should be delivered on the 19th.

Men's Fellowship Group: The group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 8am in the church library. All men of the community are welcome to come and discuss spiritual and other topics of interest. The next meeting is **Thurs., Nov 16th**.

Red Cross Blood Drive: Donate blood to help save a life. **Mon. Nov. 20, 10am-3pm** in Fellowship Hall. Please go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code DURHAMCOMMUNITY or call 1-800-RED CROSS to register to donate. Thank you!

Dover Friendly Kitchen/Meal & Backpacks: Thurs., Nov. 30, 4:30pm at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Dover. Menu: Lasagna, green salad, rolls, desserts. Sign up in Fellowship Hall to provide a portion of the meal or to volunteer to serve. Please drop food off in the church kitchen by 3pm on the 30th. Also, in November we will collect new and gently used backpacks for adults and children. Please leave backpacks in the bin outside the church office. We'll also be accepting donations of warm winter items, clean & in good condition, please!

Christmas Fair: December 2, 2017. Just a reminder to keep the Christmas Fair in your plans for Dec. 2. Sign-up sheets are available for you to register your interest in helping on the day of the fair, to bake, to make crafts, to monitor the parking lot, to make Christmas arrangements, to help set up the children's crafts, and to help clean up after the fair. Of course, we always need shoppers so tell your friends and neighbors what great items we have for sale. Since the church budget now depends heavily on fund raising, this is a wonderful way make as much money as possible in a fun way.

Families First: Monday, Dec. 4th is our next opportunity to provide a meal for Family Fun Night at Families First in Portsmouth. The menu: beef stew, rolls or biscuits, garden salad, milk, fruit and bars or cookies for dessert. We ask for contributions in each category to serve ten. The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk in Fellowship Hall. Please drop off food in the Fellowship Hall kitchen by 3pm on November 6th.

The Church Office will be closed on Thurs., Nov. 23 for Thanksgiving, and will reopen Monday, Nov. 27th.
