

CHRONICLE PLUS**TODAY at COMMUNITY CHURCH****October 14, 2018**

9:00 am	Bible Study	Parlor
10:00 am	Worship & Sunday School	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	Dine with Nine Meeting	Chapel
12:00 pm	Blessing of the Animals	Church Hill Lawn
4:00 pm	Youth Group/Confirmands	Library

Blessing of the Animals today, October 14 at 12:00. All animals welcome! We will bless your furry, scaly, or feathered friend at a special church service that recognizes creatures for the beauty they bring to the world. Please bring your pet on a leash, in a crate or cage so they can be best protected. The service will be held outside in back of the church on the hill at Church Hill Apartments.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD (BFW) Offering of Letters Sunday 14 and Sunday 21 October: The federal budget for 2019 proposed by the current administration is aiming at dismantling health and nutrition programs which are lifelines to the 1 in 8 (!) Americans who face food insecurity on a daily basis. Our letters to our senators and representative in Congress aim at PROTECTING these vital programs in the continuing fight to reduce hunger in our country and abroad. Please plan on participating in BFW's Offering of Letters the next two Sundays. Thank you!

Historical Pageant: Saturday, October 20, 2018, 3:00 pm. Our history will come alive as we travel through 3 centuries to recognize significant points in our faith community. Contact: Doug Wheeler – douglaswheeler@gmail.com

Immigration Stories: from Indonesia to New Hampshire Why did so many of our friends flee Indonesia? Why are they now facing deportation? What would happen if they had to go back? Is it safe? How can we help? If you'd like to know more about these and other questions, **please join us after church on Sunday October 28** when a friend from Immanuel Indonesian Lutheran church in Newington joins us to share the story of her journey to America and the experiences of some of her friends at Immanuel. This conversation is a part of our on-going work to educate ourselves about issues related to immigration and ways that we can support our neighbors and heed Christ's call to welcome the stranger and be a voice for justice. For more information please contact Cheryl and Dale Hemen or Peggy Kieschnick.

"300 Years of Hymns and Music" Organ Concert: Sunday, October 28, 4:00 pm Raymond Nagem, the Associate Director of Music and Organist at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City, will return for a special organ concert to celebrate the Church's 300th year. A reception to follow.

An Invitation from Lee Congregational Church, UCC: An Autumn Inspirational Nature Walk at Lee Town Forest **Sunday, October 28TH AT 2:00** 17 Mast Road. Catherine Fisher, Lee Town Naturalist, will lead us on a beautiful autumn walk of the Lee Town Forest. She will incorporate the spirit of Rev. Gilbert White, who is considered the father of natural history and ornithology, in our journey through the woods. Please join us for this special event. Lee residents might discover a tree to enter in the Lee's Trees Contest. Please meet at the back door of the Lee Congregational Church.

Remembering & Celebrating Indigenous People: Community Church is proud to partner with local organizations and churches to celebrate the culture and history of Indigenous Peoples Check out the many events happening at: DurhamIPD.org. The last of the film series at CCD: **NOV 4, 2pm. We Still Live Here, PBS Documentary**

Family Fun Night at Families First Monday November 5th is an opportunity to provide a meal for Families First in Portsmouth. The menu: Chili (not too spicy), Cornbread, Garden Salad, Milk, Fruit and Cookies or Bars for dessert. Contributions to serve ten in all categories are needed. The sign-up sheet and recipe is on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please drop off food in the kitchen by 3pm on November 5th.

Community Church Harvest Potluck Saturday, November 17 at 5 pm. Bring a dish to share with your neighbors at this autumn-inspired gathering. Welcome Paul Pouliot, Chief Spokesman and President of the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki People. Following dinner, Paul will relate the Native People's Story of Thanksgiving and discuss how early Native Peoples who lived in this area harvested food.

American Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, November 19th at CCD. You can help save up to three lives in about an hour. The need is ongoing, but the supply is not. Please visit redcrossblood.org and enter DURHAM COMMUNITY to schedule an appointment.

Dover Friendly Kitchen Thursday, November 29th. Our next opportunity to serve our neighbors in Dover will be on Thursday, November 29th! While we understand that this is a very busy time for our Church members and friends, please know that we welcome volunteers to cook, serve, distribute clothing donated by ECHO, and provide lovely music!!! Hunger and "extravagant hospitality" take no vacation! The sign-up sheet will be in Fellowship Hall. Thank you. You can reach out to either of us for more information.

Save the Date: Annual Christmas Fair will be Saturday, December 1st. Ways to help and participate will be coming soon!

Weekly Green Tip from the Green Justice Committee: Open junk mail and take out sheets with any adhesive labels, etc. The adhesive gums up the sorting machine at the recycling center.

Have you ever stopped wonder how Christianity as a once forbidden religion went on to change the course of history? Join the **Tuesday morning book group meeting in the Parlor from 10:00-11:30AM** to discuss the recent book by Professor Bart Ehrman "The Triumph of Christianity". Contact Dennis Mathews for further information. Books will be available in the office at the beginning of next week. Price to be determined.

300 Cranes: Wishes for the Next Century, December 2018-January 2019 A project of the 2018 Confirmation Class, as we usher in a new century, each crane will have a message of a hope or dream for our next century as a church. Contact: Kristin Forselius – kristinf@ccdurham.org

Lunch at Panera on Thursdays Meet us for lunch at Panera Bread in Dover on **Thursdays at 1:15 pm**. All are welcome! Go to panerabread.com to see all that Panera Bread does for Community Giving.

After School Choir for Children & Youth will be rehearsing on Thursday afternoons in the Chapel. 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 or Lorna Ellis: Lorna.Ellis@comcast.net. **Rejoice Choir:** Children from age 3-grade 2 are welcome to join from 4:20-4:50. **Alleluia Choir:** Children in grades 3-8 are welcome from 4:50-5:20.

During Fellowship Hour, when you see a white box with a large red heart on it in Fellowship Hall, please stop by! This is our **"Care Card" Ministry**. Feel free to donate a card, sign a card, or take a card to send to someone in need of our thoughts/prayers. To help us with this effort during Fellowship Hour, or to write cards at your convenience, please contact Pam White: pwhite31@comcast.net.

Memorial Service Receptions: many hands make light work! Would you consider being the Hospitality Contact for three months? Your job will be contacting church members for the baked goods, fruit trays, and cheese and crackers that make our Memorial Receptions so special. Please contact Ruth Moore (868-1086) or Mandy Armstrong (431-2406) to volunteer. Thanks for your consideration!

Community Church of Durham is a vibrant place where lots is happening! Please submit items for the Chronicle Plus to office@ccdurham.org by noon on Wednesday for inclusion the next Sunday. Thank you!