

## 13th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist

### Bishop Laura Ahrens to Visit



On Sunday, September 23, Bishop Laura Ahrens will lead the worship at services. If you wish to be baptized, confirmed or received during the service, please let Rev. Brian know. He will be offering two preparatory

classes: Sunday, September 16 from 12-1:30pm or Wednesday, September 19 at 7pm.

### Eucharistic Ministers Training

All current Eucharistic Ministers and those wishing to be licensed to participate in this meaningful ministry are asked to attend a training/refresher session with Rev. Brian on Saturday, September 22 at 9am.

### Youth Group News



St. Mark's Youth Group begins in September! Our youth group will participate in the following monthly outings: September 14-15: overnight camping trip at Gay City State Park, in October the group will go apple

picking (date TBD) and November 9-10: Nightwatch at St. John the Divine in New York City, and December 21 Christmas Caroling. Please save the dates for your middle school or high school student. Stay tuned for more details.

### Facing Hospitalization or Illness?

If you or a family member are facing hospitalization or illness, please let the church office know. Due to HIPPA regulations, the hospital cannot notify us. Clergy can make pastoral care calls at home or the hospital and supporting you and your family at difficult times is part of the ministry of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors at St. Mark's.



### Sunday School News



**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

The first day of Sunday School will be September 9. All students will meet at 10am for assembly in Goodwin Hall, where the morning begins with songs of praise, a children's collection and prayer. Younger students then go to the Godly Play classroom. Older students follow the lectionary and engage in age-appropriate activities and discussions with lessons from our curriculum, *Feasting on the Word*.

### Bringing St. Mark's Mission to Life

Sun., Sept. 9 10:00 am	Covenant Soup Kitchen Sandwich Making <b>* 2nd Sunday of the month *</b>
Mon., Sept. 10 7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thurs., Sept. 13 8:00 am	Men's Breakfast- River and Rail Diner, (formerly Track Nine) West Willington <b>* 2nd Thursday of the month *</b> Come and enjoy fellowship with the men of St. Mark's – all are welcome

### Eucharist- Wednesdays 12 Noon

Please join us in the chapel when we celebrate the Eucharist as part of a service of prayer, silence, and scripture reading.

**NEW Campus Ministry — NEW THIS FALL!!**

The Campus Ministry Committee has exciting plans for the fall. Many thanks to Janet Belval, Jared Henderson, Matt Ouellette and Rev. Brian. The first new venture will be a Sunday evening Eucharist at 5PM on the Sundays when UConn is in session. August 26 is the first Sunday for campus communion, followed by a BBQ on the front lawn. This service is open to all and is a good way for students to come together in prayer. Janet is scheduling the dinners for Sundays—simple and welcoming to all. This is a wonderful way to get involved in campus ministry. Coming soon is a calendar of events. Please reach out to Janet for more information about the Sunday evening dinners. [jbelval108@comcast.net](mailto:jbelval108@comcast.net)

In September, the Progressive Christian Fellowship (PCF) will begin meeting on Tuesday evenings. Activities for the PCF will include attending the Human Rights March in Hartford on September 8, participating in the Crop Walk, a discussion group on social justice, a trivia night.

**Do you know how busy this building is?**

Each week many outside groups use our building to host meetings. Some pay rent and some are hosted by St. Mark's. This summer, even with the construction mess, people have found their way here. There are 4 AA meetings here weekly, the International Christian Fellowship meets each Friday evening, Safety Net, supporting LGBTQ high school students meets here twice a month, Weight Watchers meets here every Tuesday evening, voice lessons taught by UCONN Music faculty are here on Thursdays and Sundays and students taking Suzuki lessons are here on Wednesdays and Fridays. And when UConn resumes the building will become even busier



**Inviting People to Visit St. Mark's**

As the school year approaches, people will be moving to the area and church shopping. Please encourage anyone you meet to try on St.



Mark's. There is something for everyone—community service, youth group, social justice programs, Progressive Christian Fellowship and many other opportunities to serve as part of a community dedicated to helping others and the world.

**Leave a Legacy: Remembering St. Mark's in Your Will**



Have you considered leaving a gift to St. Mark's? Perhaps the easiest and most common way of making a planned gift is through your will. A bequest in a will can take the form of a set amount of money, a percentage of an estate, a specific asset, or a trust. In the words of the late theologian D. Elton Trueblood, those who plan for this type of support have planted "shade trees under which they know they will never sit."

**Thank You, Counters!**

No, not the kitchen counters. This is a thank you to all the counters at church who work hard to ensure your giving is accounted for properly each week. It requires organization, math, double-checking, accounting, patience, and paperwork to get the job done and balanced correctly. Do you like counting money? If so, please consider joining one of the counting teams. If not, please say "thank you" to them for doing it for ST. Mark's. Many thanks to Steve Paasch for coordinating the counters.



*Thanks to our Sunday Ministers who sustain the worship life of our community*

August 19, 2018			
Ministry	Service	Today	Next Sunday
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>7:45</b>	Gale Morrow	Gale Morrow
	<b>10:00</b>	John Doiron	Bob Kliminsk Dave Moske
<b>Flowers</b>		Gale Morrow	Gale Morrow
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>7:45</b>	Sue Gagnon	
	<b>10:00</b>	Steve Pasch	Steve Paasch
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>10:00</b>		
<b>Chalice Bearer</b>	<b>7:45</b>	Jim Morrow	Jim Morrow
	<b>10:00</b>	Will Hooper	Fred Day-Lewis
<b>Reader</b>	<b>7:45</b>	Jim Morrow	Jim Morrow
	<b>10:00</b>	Amanda Hanzlik	Amanda Hanzlik
<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>7:45</b>	Sue Gagnon	Judy Hopkins
	<b>10:00</b>	Amanda Hanzlik	Amanda Hanzlik
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>			Bill Morgan
<b>Counters</b>	<b>10:00</b>		Madison Day Andre Wilderman

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