



CHRIST AND THE EPIPHANY

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Missional Priest Father Charles Kamano

Dear Christ and The Epiphany
Family and Friends,

Summer is finally here! It seemed this year that summer and spring took forever to get here. Now, I know everyone is eager to get their summer on. Long days, warm nights, beaches, barbecues, baseball, fireworks, Independence Day celebration on July 4th, and more are all part of the season.

Driving on the roads and through the neighborhoods this past week, seeing all the summer sights has been refreshing to say the least. It's nice to see the trees full of leaves along the roadways, and it's even nice seeing the extra traffic in the cities on the weekends. It is also nice to see the farmer's markets in full swing, with many vendors and many visitors.

At the same time, we are also moved by the news cycle currently dominated by the children's immigration crisis at the Southern border with Mexico. Regardless of political affiliation we can agree that children are precious and loved. In Luke 18:16, Jesus called for the children and said

to his disciples, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like them."

As I watch the news about the crisis our humanity continues to grapple with on a daily basis, and the Scripture quoted justly or unjustly by some in response to the current crisis, I have been wondering and asking myself what is on the horizon for the Lord's Church. It seems to me that God may be nudging the Church for another reformation. If the first reformation focused on what the church believed; this time I think it will focus on what it does.

As Christians, we should not separate the Word of God from the work of God. They always go hand in hand. As the Church, we are called to be the body of Christ and not just the mouth of Christ, but to also be the feet and hands. Here are five renewals I would like you to focus on during this summer season:

1- Personal renewal: it starts with the heart. The bottom line is this - we need to fall in love with Jesus again in order to learn and discover that it is not about religion and rituals;

it is about a relationship with Jesus.

2- Relational renewal: After you get right with God, the next step is to get right with others. John writes and reminds us that Jesus taught his followers this: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you... by this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye love one another." (John 13:34)

3- Mission renewal: I mean by mission when a church discovers what God wants it to do. The truth is that every Church, and to make it more personal - Christ and The Epiphany Church, has a kingdom assignment right here in East Haven, CT. We are not here just to keep this building, to bless one another. I believe God wants to bless the world through us. I believe God has given us in this Church five purposes: worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism. Trust me when Christ and The Epiphany gets personal, relational, and missional, it will grow.

4- Cultural renewal: This means we should open up to embrace everyone who is different from us. For "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is

there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” (Galatians 3:28)

5- Structural renewal: My point here is there will be positive change if we all join hands together. I can foresee some challenges ahead if we don't take our share of responsibility. During my first year with you I have seen many of you devoting your time tremendously to keep things working here. Please accept my gratitude for all you do tirelessly. I encourage other members, including Vestry members, to engage strongly in new possibilities for the growth of our Parish. We will listen, appreciate, and welcome your ideas. A new spirit and new opportunities will emerge. How you will be a part will determine the kind of Church we want to be!

I invoke my summer blessings upon you and your loved ones!

Charles+ Missional Priest

Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 30 - Church “clean up” day, can you spare an hour? Come on by!

Sunday, July 8, Annual picnic after 10:00 a.m. service

Saturday, September 8, 9:00-3:00 p.m., Harvest Fair at East Haven's Fall Festival

Wednesday, September 12, 9:00 a.m., ECCT South Central Region, Hiking with the Rachels, Farm River State Park (see item below)

Sunday, September 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, September 30, Social Media Sunday
Friday and Saturday, October 26 and 27, ECCT'S 2018 Annual Convention in Mystic

June Vestry Meeting Summary

Susan Shultz

General - The Vestry will not meet in July and August. However, the Executive Committee will continue to meet so if you have anything you need addressed feel free to reach out. (The Executive Committee consists of the Missional Priest: Fr. Charles Kamano, Wardens: Barb Parsons and Jan Cianelli, Treasurer: Susan Shultz, and Clerk: Kris Langlan). In early June the Vestry also held its annual retreat. Many thanks to Wendy Bellmore for her work preparing the retreat materials and leading the discussions. The time flew by and then we had a lovely lunch at the Community Kitchen luncheon.

Building & Grounds - The East Haven Lions Club dinner fundraiser raised about \$1,600 which will go towards the Great Hall floor re-tiling work. We will also have a church “clean up” day - June 30th. Come and lend a hand! While most work will be outside, we can also use inside help as well.

Finance - The Finance Committee is going to meet on Sunday, July 15th after the 10 a.m. service (stealing the Vestry slot). At that time, I will have detailed reports of the

first half of the year accounts. If anyone wishes to see these reports but cannot make the meeting please let Susan Shultz know (email: sshultz@tickets.com).

Communications - Remember, our annual church picnic will be July 8th. Sign-up sheet is in the Great Hall. The East Haven Fall Festival is September 8th.

Senior Warden

Barbara Parsons

The Executive Committee has decided that the Vestry will not meet in July and August. Our heartfelt thanks to Wendy for our wonderful vestry retreat. I know that much thought, work, and love went into it. I hope she was blessed as much as we were.

If you have never looked at the ECCT (Episcopal Church in Connecticut) website at www.EpiscopalCT.org, I invite you to do so. The newsletters and articles are a good place to find out what the Church is doing "outside the walls".

Convention is coming up in October. Diane Villano and I, along with Fr. Charles Kamano, will be attending. We will have a family meeting early in September, as well as our Vestry meeting.

Have a great summer!

Junior Warden

Janet A. Cianelli

All is quiet. On Saturday June 30 at 10:00 a.m. we will be

having a “church cleanup” day. Please come and help us tackle some projects around the grounds and keep us looking our best!

Worship Commission
Wendy Bellmore

We will be resuming the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Bible Study on July 8th! We will be studying healing ministry. We will go back to the foundation writings of Francis MacNutt and focus on the central work of healing in the Gospel.

We will have a Worship Commission meeting on Wednesday, July 11 at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome. We will be planning the balance of the calendar year including the Thanksgiving and Veterans Day ecumenical services.

Our Wednesday 6:30 p.m. short prayer services in the Chapel continue to be a great time to recharge during the week.

We continue our relationship with the East Haven United (EHU) ecumenical gathering of Christian churches in our community. Our meeting this month started the process of visioning; returning to the basics of our mission statement and community building. The Community Kitchen continues to provide two noon Saturday meals per month. These are well attended, serving generally 90-110 meals. Do feel free to join us at any time.

We are looking for people interested in Christ and The

Epiphany’s history to become “docents” for the church building on special days when the church is open for visitors. Docents would learn about the church’s history and interesting facts about the building and be able to share that information with visitors. See Wendy Bellmore if you are interested!

Thank you!

Tag Sale at Old Stone Church
 Many thanks to everyone who helped with our booth on June 9th, vending items from our Good Shepherd Thrift Store. We brought in a bit over \$100, which is darn good, as prices were as low as a quarter! About half of what we brought was sold. Most importantly, we represented a vibrant worshipping community connecting with our neighbors through our local missions.

Events

Harvest Fair, Saturday, September 8

We will once again have our bake sale in front of the church and a garage sale, along with the Good Shepherd Thrift Store, 9:00-3:00 p.m. We also plan to have a booth on the Green at the annual East Haven Fall Festival. Please consider crocheting, knitting, sewing or otherwise crafting autumn-themed items for our booth. A sign-up sheet for the bake sale will be posted in the Great Hall.

Sunday, September 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Blessing of the Animals

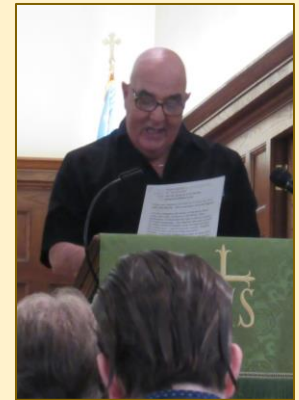
Bring your pet (or a photo of them) for a blessing from

Church Life in Photos

Sunday, June 10
 East Haven Lions Club
 Donation Presentation



Sunday, June 24
 St. Alban’s Masonic Lodge
 celebrated St. John the Baptist Day with us



Fr. Charles Kamano. We are also collecting donations of pet food, toys, treats, and/or bedding for the East Haven Animal Shelter.



Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT)

Diane Villano

The 234th Annual Convention of the ECCT is Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27 at the Marriott Hotel in Mystic, CT.

From Adam Yates, Secretary of Convention:

We are trying on a new way of doing the work of Convention this year. As a part of this process, you are encouraged to consider a question that you would like the Convention to work on together in lieu of a more traditional resolution. A form to submit a question for consideration is available on the Annual Convention page of our website.

As a part of this trial year, we will continue to accept duly submitted resolutions that follow the format and guidelines found on the Annual Convention page of the website. All resolutions must be received by the Secretary of Convention before the deadline of September 14, 2018. If you are thinking of a resolution, you are encouraged to consider whether you might submit it instead as a question, as per the details above.

Questions considered by Convention will receive far more extensive conversation and exploration than is currently possible with resolutions.

Please direct any questions about Convention to our 2018 delegates: Barbara Parsons and Diane Villano. When resolutions are posted on the ECCT website in October, a notice will be posted in our newsletter and on the main bulletin board in the Great Hall.

Region Needs Assessment

From Bishop Ian T. Douglas:

After a year spent listening, praying, and giving thanks for the new and exciting ways Episcopalians in Connecticut are engaging with each other and their communities, particularly in our new Regions, the Working Group recommended, and the 2017 Annual Convention called for, a Region Needs Assessment.

To assist with the Region Needs Assessment, I ask that you participate in an e-survey, which will take only a few moments of your time. I appreciate your efforts in helping us in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut to discern how we might best participate in God's mission, traveling lightly together and following Jesus into the neighborhood (Luke 10). Access the e-survey on the ECCT website: www.episcopalct.org.

2018 Sky's the Limit Challenge - Hiking with the Rachels

Join Rev. Rachel Field, our South Central Region Missionary, and Rev. Rachel Thomas, the Southeast Region Missionary, and explore this beautiful part of Creation in our state. Hikes are scheduled through November, and include trails in Moodus, Ansonia, and Griswold. The closest one is Farm River State Park, here in East Haven, on Wednesday, September 12, at 9:00 a.m. We will welcome the hikers with refreshments before and after the walk. The complete hike schedule is on the ECCT website.



The Episcopal Church

Diane Villano

General Convention will take place in Austin, Texas, July 3-13. Subscribe to daily email reports on the ECCT website.

“We ask for your prayers for our deputation, bishops, youth, and all ECCT folks heading down to Austin, TX for General Convention. We also ask your prayers for the whole Episcopal Church as we gather to conduct the business of the Church for the next triennium, join in fellowship, and most importantly worship God together. Pray for God's guidance and prayerful consideration, and for a strong breeze as it will be July... in Texas...”

Opera Insights

Tony Lamberti

The Master of Comedy -
Gioacchino Rossini, 1792-1868

Rossini was well known for his light comedy operas like "The Barber of Seville", "Cinderella", and "The L'italiana in Algeri". These operas, like so many of his famous works, brought Rossini instant fame and fortune. Rossini was born in a little town in Italy called Pesaro in the leap year of 1792 on the 29th of February. His parents were both musicians - his father played the trumpet, and his mother was a talented opera singer.

Rossini entered the Bologna Conservatory where he studied the Art of Composition and Vocal. At a very early age, he wrote 15 operas all within a 4-year period. But the most favorite of all was his "The Barber of Seville". Some of the songs and arias in "The Barber of Seville" are still used today in many films, cartoons and even in food commercials.

Rossini had a darker side of serious music, in pieces like the "Tancredi" of 1813, and his "Semiramide" of 1823. In the year 1830, when the French Revolution was ended, Rossini began his new wave of serious music writing in which he composed the "Stabat Mater", "Otello", and his famous choral masterpiece "Moses". In 1868 while his music had its up's and down's, the overture from "William Tell" and the opera "The

Barber of Seville" continued to be played periodically.

The great conductor Toscanini was responsible for bringing Rossini's masterpieces into the modern world of today, and so many of us continue to enjoy these famous pieces including myself. As always, I encourage you to listen to these works and judge for yourself.



14-Jul Barbara Parsons
15-Jul Barbara Langlan
17-Jul George Coulombe
27-Jul Wendy Bellmore
3-Aug Deborah Lyon
5-Aug Rose Fusco
9-Aug Pete Cianelli
28-Aug Stephanie Reynolds
30-Aug Janet Nolan



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8/7/93 Stephanie and James Reynolds
8/18/89 Judi Randall and Richard Schiavone
8/20/05 Susan and Tom Shultz
8/24/74 Pat and Frederick Walters

Intercessory Prayers

Andrew, Beverly W., Bill Hodge, Carol, Carol C., David, Devin K., Diane, Eileen F., Eleanor N., Faith and Family,

Father Eddie, Gale, Goodfellow Family, Greg T., Helen, Howard G., J.D., Jim C., JoAnn & Victoria, John A., John D., Joseph, Judy DeFeo, June W., Katherine Burdick, Katrina R., Ken Wortz, Lucas Sundwall, Mark Conti, Marjorie Cowles, Marty, Matt, Melissa D., Ray Link, Sheila C., Rachael, Richard, Tom Z., Vivian S.

To submit names for the Intercessory Prayers list please call or email the church office. Names will be kept on the list for 3 months unless longer time is requested. If a person you have placed on the list recovers in less than 3 months or passes away, please update the church office.

September Newsletter

The deadline for the September 2018 issue of the newsletter is **August 22**. If you have contributions for the newsletter, email: newsletter.Christandtheepiphany@gmail.com, or for an update to the Birthday or Anniversary list, please call the church office at 203-467-2310. -Charlie Langlan & Susan Shultz, Editors

Parish Calendar

On the next page is the Parish Calendar for July 2018. Please remember to schedule all meetings with Diane Rowley in the church office to avoid any conflicts.

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8 & 10AM EUCHARIST AA 6-7PM UPPER HALL	2 AA 7-8:30PM NORTH LOUNGE EH CMTY KITCHEN 7-8	3 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM NarAnon-7PM-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	4 EVENING PRAYER 6:30PM	5 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM SA-ANON-7PM Library AA-2 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	6 SFLP 6-7:30PM LIBRARY AA-3 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	7 THRIFT SHOP 9AM-1PM NarAnon 10-11:30AM NORTH LOUNGE FOOD PANTRY 10AM- 12PM GREAT HALL EH-CMTY KITCHEN 1-3PM AA 7-8PM UPPER HALL
8 8 & 10AM EUCHARIST BUILDING & GROUNDS 9AM EXECUTIVE CMTE PARISH PICNIC AA 6-7PM UPPER HALL	9 AA 7-8:30PM NORTH LOUNGE EH CMTY KITCHEN 7-8	10 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM NarAnon-7PM-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	11 EVENING PRAYER 6:30PM EHFP-5:30PM BACKPACKS	12 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM SA-ANON-7PM Library AA-2 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	13 SFLP 6-7:30PM LIBRARY AA-3 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	14 THRIFT SHOP 9AM-1PM NarAnon 10-11:30AM NORTH LOUNGE FOOD PANTRY 10AM- 12PM GREAT HALL AA 7-8PM UPPER HALL
15 8 & 10AM EUCHARIST VESTRY AA 6-7PM UPPER HALL	16 AA 7-8:30PM NORTH LOUNGE	17 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM NarAnon-7PM-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	18 EVENING PRAYER 6:30PM	19 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM SA-ANON-7PM Library AA-2 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	20 SFLP 6-7:30PM LIBRARY AA-3 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	21 THRIFT SHOP 9AM-1PM NarAnon 10-11:30AM NORTH LOUNGE FOOD PANTRY 10AM- 12PM GREAT HALL EH-CMTY KITCHEN 1-3PM AA 7-8PM UPPER HALL
22 9 AM EUCHARIST AA 6-7PM UPPER HALL	23 AA 7-8:30PM NORTH LOUNGE	24 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM NarAnon-7PM-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	25 EVENING PRAYER 6:30PM COMMUNICATION CMTE 7PM LIBRARY EHFP-5:30PM BACKPACKS	26 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM SA-ANON-7PM Library AA-2 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	27 SFLP 6-7:30PM LIBRARY AA-3 7-8PM NORTH LOUNGE	28 THRIFT SHOP 9AM-1PM NarAnon 10-11:30AM NORTH LOUNGE FOOD PANTRY 10AM- 12PM GREAT HALL AA 7-8PM UPPER HALL
29 8 & 10AM EUCHARIST AA 6-7PM UPPER HALL	30 AA 7-8:30PM NORTH LOUNGE	31 FOOD PANTRY 9-11AM GREAT HALL THRIFT SHOP 9-11AM NarAnon-7PM-8PM NORTH LOUNGE				

TREASURERS REPORT

Susan Shultz

	UNDER/OVER		UNDER/OVER	
	MAY	BUDGET	YTD	YTD BUDGET
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INCOME	\$9,855.31	\$2,971.98	\$41,251.37	\$439.75
EXPENSES	\$8,411.24	\$330.32	\$49,918.74	\$3,214.65
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NET	\$1,444.07	\$2,641.66	(\$8,667.37)	(\$2,774.93)

Notes: Pledge payments were up about \$2,500 in May! We continue to have some late building use payments and utilities are up about \$1,000 this year. The budget was adjusted to remove the Refreshed New Wine Church rental income.

July 10:00 A.M. Worship Schedule

	July 1, 2018	July 8, 2018	July 15, 2018	July 22, 2018	July 29, 2018
Welcomer	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius	Kristina Langlan	Joyce Aurelius	Barbara Parsons
Crucifer	Charlie Langlan		Charlie Langlan		
Chalice Bearer	Kristina Langlan	George Coulombe	Steve Langlan	Kristina Langlan	George Coulombe
Lector	Steve Langlan	Susan Shultz	Audrey Sundwall	Susan Shultz	Joyce Aurelius
Usher	Audrey Sundwall	Ron Blevins	Gail Schappa	Ron Blevins	Audrey Sundwall
Lead Counter	George Coulombe	Astrid Swanson	George Coulombe	Susan Shultz	Kristina Langlan
Counter	Sally Alexander	Fred Bowden	Diane Villano	Ron Blevins	Susan Shultz

August 10:00 A.M. Worship Schedule

	August 5, 2018	August 12, 2018	August 19, 2018	August 26, 2018
Welcomer	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius
Crucifer	Charlie Langlan		Charlie Langlan	
Chalice Bearer	Kristina Langlan	George Coulombe	Steve Langlan	George Coulombe
Lector	Joyce Aurelius	Susan Shultz	Audrey Sundwall	Kristina Langlan
Usher	Gail Schappa	Kristina Langlan	Gail Schappa	Kristina Langlan
Lead Counter	George Coulombe	Astrid Swanson	George Coulombe	Susan Shultz
Counter	Sally Alexander	Fred Bowden	Diane Villano	Kristina Langlan

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Worship Schedule

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Adult Education and Discussions

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with music