



CHRIST AND THE EPIPHANY

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 9, 9:00-3:00, items from our Good Shepherd Thrift Store will be sold at Old Stone Church's Annual Tag Sale

Sunday, July 8, Annual church picnic

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

Sunday, September 30, Social Media Sunday

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

Senior Warden Report Barbara Parsons

First of all, I would like to thank everyone for all their help in the monumental job of getting our Spring & Summer clothes ready for the Fashion Show. Imagine the work it takes to change from Winter clothes to Summer clothes at home.

Multiply that many, many, many times!!!

I never could have done it alone. That's what makes our church family so special. Please pray for our church. Pray that God will send His Spirit to inspire & motivate us. Pray that we love each other like God loves us; that He would be in the midst of our conversations & all we do. Pray that we would always treat each other with respect & have each other's backs. We need to show those that watch us & hear us, that God makes a difference in our lives. Sometimes that's not easy, but hopefully, that will make a difference in the world around us.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!!!!

May Vestry Meeting Summary Susan Shultz

General - Welcome to Carol Link-Ude who has agreed to fill out the rest of Margaret Lifton's Vestry term!

Building & Grounds - Refreshed New Wine is no longer renting the church. They have moved back to their old (now expanded) space on Main Street. The main reason for the move was that they felt they needed a space where they could come and go as they please. Sharing a space was not as attractive as they had originally thought it might be. The budget will be amended to remove their rental income. Don't forget the East Haven Lion's Club dinner on Sunday June 3rd to raise money for re-tiling the Main Hall floor. The Upper Hall floor and landings were recently cleaned and waxed. We will also be taking down a tree that is cracked and needs to be removed.

Church Life in Photos

Sunday, April 29

Dr. Jeremiah Martin played the organ at the 10:00 service



Sunday, April 29

5th Annual Good Shepherd Thrift Store Fashion Show



Communications - We will once again have a booth at the Old Stone Tag sale on June 9th. If you can help staff our booth in the afternoon, please see Diane Villano.

The annual church picnic will be July 8th. Also put September 8th on your calendar for the East Haven Fall Festival.

The Episcopal Church at the Royal Wedding
Diane Villano

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry preached the sermon “The Power of Love” at the royal wedding of Prince Harry and American actress Meghan Markle, May 19th. A link to the full text and videos of his sermon are available on our website at ChristandTheEpiphany.org.

His sermon begins:

There’s power in love. Don’t underestimate it. Don’t even over-sentimentalize it. There’s power, power in love. If you don’t believe me, think about a time when you first fell in love. The whole world seemed to center around you, and your beloved. Oh,

there’s power, power in love. Not just in its romantic forms, but any form, any shape, of love. There’s a certain sense, in which when you are loved, and you know it, when someone cares for you and you know it, when you love and you show it, it actually feels right. There’s something right about it. And there’s a reason for it.

The reason has to do with the source. We were made by a power of love. And our lives were meant, and are meant to be lived in that love. That’s why we are here. Ultimately the source of love is God himself.

The source of all of our lives.

As an old medieval poem puts it:

“Where true love is found, God himself is there.”

1st John in the New Testament says it this way.

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God;

Everyone who loves is born of God

Whoever does not love does not know God

For God is love.” (1John 4:4-8)

There’s power in love.

There’s power in love to help and heal when nothing else can.

There’s power in love to lift up and liberate when nothing else will.

There’s power in love to show us the way to live

“Set me as a seal on your heart, A seal on your arm”

For love, it’s as strong as death.

But love is not only about a young couple.

Now the power of love is demonstrated by the fact that we’re all here.

Two young people fell in love, and we all showed up!

But it’s not just for and about a young couple who we rejoice with.

It’s more than that.

His sermon finishes with:

My brother, my sister,
God love you, God bless you.

And may God hold us all,
in those Almighty hands of love.

Midnight Run

Kathy Alison

Our participation in Midnight Run for the months of March and April seemed chaotic in that we had more groups of churches and volunteers than we had seen before. We’re not sure if the organizer for Midnight Run is aware of this dramatic increase and if this has perhaps caused a dramatic decrease at another time in his schedule.

We will next participate again with Midnight Run in the month of June since our regularly scheduled date in May occurs on Memorial Day.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Opera Insights -

Richard Strauss

Tony Lamberti

As many of my readers know, I have many favorite composers, and there are few that I love and admire more than others. Wagner, Verdi and Puccini are some just to name a few. But hidden in my vast musical

collection there is still a few that I enjoy. Richard Strauss is one of them, born on June 11, 1864, and died on September 8, 1949 at the age of 85. Richard Strauss was composer of Grand 20th century Opera and Symphonies along with his many Choral Works and Tone Poems.

Strauss once said, “I may not be a first-rate composer, but I am a first-class second-rate composer”. Richard Strauss was a leading German classical composer of the late Romantic and early modern eras best known for his operas Der Rosenkavalier and Salome.

In 1885 Strauss became conductor of the Meiningen Court Orchestra, and one of its violinists, Alexander Ritter, became a great influence. Ritter was a composer and poet, married to Wagner’s niece, and introduced Strauss to the music of both Liszt and Wagner. For me there is an eternal mystery in his opera scores. His last opera “Capriccio” was written in 1941. The great Glenn Gould once said that Strauss was one of the greatest

musicians of this new century. There are many CD's and DVD's recording of his operas and symphony works.

Two of my favorites in my personal collection are Elektra with Nilsson, Resnik 1967 Decca recording, and Salome with Nilsson and Hoffman, also a 1967 Decca recording.

So, with all these wonderful musical scores to enjoy, I hope that you can enjoy and listen to all of Strauss's wonderful pieces.

Until next time, take time out of your busy day, sit back and enjoy!

Tony

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 Intercession Prayer 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.



June Birthdays

- 12 - Ron Blevins
- 17 - Kathy Alison
- 24 - Charlie Langlan
- 28 - Rich Schiavone



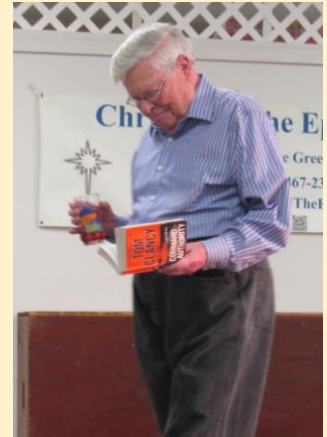
June Anniversary

- 26 - Barbara and George Coulombe

Church Life in Photos

Sunday, April 29

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TREASURER REPORT

Susan Shultz

	UNDER/OVER		UNDER/OVER	
	APR	BUDGET	YTD	YTD BUDGET
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INCOME	\$9,720.43	\$861.10	\$31,396.06	(\$2,532.26)
EXPENSES	\$9,610.31	\$2,291.39	\$41,507.50	\$2,884.33
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NET	\$119.12	(\$1,430.29)	(\$10,111.44)	(\$5,416.59)

Notes: We continue to have some late building use payments but expect to receive that money and are working with the necessary groups.

Utilities were above budget but that is because we got a late oil bill. YTD utilities are just slightly higher than budget.

10:00 AM Worship Schedule

	<u>June 3, 2018</u>	<u>June 10, 2018</u>	<u>June 17, 2018</u>	<u>June 24, 2018</u>
Welcomer	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius	Barbara Parsons	Joyce Aurelius
Crucifer	Charlie Langlan		Charlie Langlan	
Chalice Bearer	Kristina Langlan	George Langlan	Steve Langlan	George Langlan
Lector	Joyce Aurelius	Susan Shultz	Kristina Langlan	Audrey Sundwall
Usher	Gail Schappa	Ron Blevins	Gail Schappa	Ron Blevins
Lead Counter	Diane Villano	Astrid Swanson	George Coulombe	Susan Shultz
Counter	Sally Alexander	Fred Bowden	Diane Villano	Ron Blevins

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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