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Blessing of the Animals October 4 – 2:00 p.m.



Fall Cleanup – October 17th

From Pastor Doug

Dear Partners in Ministry,

The 11th Biennial Churchwide Assembly (CWA) of the ELCA that gathered in Minneapolis this past summer was a remarkable event filled with inspirational worship, debate, decision-making and the sharing of community in Christ. Alongside the joy of a new full communion relationship with the United Methodist Church and a new commitment to the eradication of malaria, the work of the assembly included the vote to accept a social statement on human sexuality and the decision to begin work on the revision of policy changes that will allow for the rostering of persons who are in committed same-gender relationships. None of the above is new information for you, but conversation continues on these issues across the country, and it will continue for a long time.

In order to provide an opportunity for our own conversation about the work of the 2009 CWA and what it means for our congregations and for the New England Synod, we have planned three days of "CWA Conversations" that are open not only to rostered leaders, but to any members of ELCA congregations who want to attend to learn about the work of the assembly, ask questions about the decisions and look ahead to what these matters mean for the work of the gospel.

These conversations will be held:

+ Oct. 18 (Sunday), 3-5 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Meriden, Conn. (203-238-1248)

+ Oct. 24 (Saturday), 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Holden, Mass. (508-829-4416)

+ Oct. 25 (Sunday), 3-5 p.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Manchester, N.H. (603-623-3451)

It would be helpful if you could call the congregation where the meeting is being held to let them know you are coming. This courtesy will help as plans are made for refreshments and the appropriate room is set aside for the meeting, but please feel free to attend even if you have not called ahead.

I look forward to these conversations as a way to answer questions, hear opinions and share reactions to the work of the assembly. As possible according to personal schedules, the other voting members that attended from our synod will be present to take part in these discussions. Regardless of our conscience-bound positions that might vary, we are one as the presence of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in this place. There is room for differing perspectives on this issue as we continue together in mission; we continue our emphasis on the need to listen to one another in love.

Blessings to you in this fall season,

Bishop Margaret G. Payne

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Consider the earth ... and how many trees are saved by electronic communication.

FROM THE EDITOR: Deadline for the September Enlightener is **Sunday, October 25th**. Submit your articles via email me at jmburke840@comcast.net or put it in the "Newsletter" mailbox in the church office

October Birthdays:-

- 1 Herbert Van Alphen
- 3 Joan McVey
- 3 Jan Moller
- 3 Harry Zeuschner
- 5 Laura Karstensen
- 6 Larry Burleigh
- 7 Lawrence Shaw
- 11 Erica Burke
- 11 Kelly Maziarz
- 13 Jill Johnson
- 13 Alfred Schwentke
- 17 Milton Alleyne
- 17 Robert Wallek
- 19 David Hawkins
- 22 Emma Butterick
- 22 Patricia Ellis
- 25 Barbara Kahoun
- 27 Susanne McClure
- 29 Violet LaFreniere

*. **Dear God...** Please remember the following people in your daily prayers:*

Ivadine Barley, Francis Benevides, Ed Burke, Ginny Horne, Thelma Johnson, Denise Matern, Angie Nock, Maxine Pincott, Catherine Ryniewicz, Frances Schwentke, Al Schwentke, Betty Steen, Sandie Vik, Mary Alleyne, Billie F. Jackson, and John Metka.

CTK BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

October 4th at 2 P.M., CTK will host this event. This is turning out to be a fun project and we want everyone from the Congregation to be part of it!! We have people setting up and serving refreshments, but we can still use some more home made cookies. We have two photographers to take photos of the animals that can use some help. For those of you with children, we would love to get them involved with this event. Very importantly - - we need people from the Congregation to greet

newcomers and give tours of the church. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to anyone on the Outreach Committee.... Pastor Doug, Anne Marie Nock, Paul Rohr, Janet Burke, Steve Pincott or Joanne Keifer.

WELCA NEWS

The Pew Cushions are here!!!! WELCA would like to thank everyone for their support and donations that have made this project such a success!! They look beautiful and are extremely comfortable.

The Windsor Food Bank Needs Your Help

The shelves are virtually empty, and each week more people are signing up because they need the services the Food Bank provides.

Can you help?

To make your food donations a little easier, a new program is starting at CTK. Every month a grocery bag will be provided to each household with a short list of suggested items attached. Please do what you can to fill the bag and return it to church – what is on the list or any non-perishable foods or personal items. The pick up deadline will be the first Sunday of each month.

If you would rather... a check goes a long way. Monetary donations are used to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, and bulk quantities of non-perishable items at low cost from Foodshare... in fact, for less than you can buy them. Consider writing a check to Windsor Community Service Council.

Any questions about the Windsor Food Bank, or to pick up donations, call Susan Foote at 683-1122.

Thank you for your support in the last month. Please remember those in need during the holiday season.

Thank you - Holy Zion Church of the Jubilee would like to thank Christ the King Church for supporting The Scholarship Fund Breakfast.

God Bless You,
Holy Zion Church of the Jubilee

Looking Ahead.....

December 6th at 5:00 p.m. the Arnolds will host the Pot Roast Dinner/Concert.

The Sunday School students will build the Nativity Scene as they did last year on Sunday, December 20th during the 9 AM service

YOUTH GROUP

Look for information on some fun activities – John Butterick is the new Youth Group Coordinator for the middle school group. Thanks John.

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FALL CLEANUP DAY

– Will be held on October 17th beginning at 9:00 am. The Rain date will be October 24th. Please bring rakes, and yard tools. If you have any specific questions, please contact John McVey. Remember many hands.....