



St. John's Prologue

"In the beginning was the Word..."

St. John's Episcopal Church
Williamstown, Massachusetts

June/July 2017

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YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Four good reasons for kids to attend church in the summer (*adapted from the newsletter of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield*):

- * Worshiping as a community is the central activity of the church.
- * It provides kids AND adults with a valuable intergenerational experience.
- * Kids need quiet time and joyful praise time!
- * Children absorb more than adults often realize.

And a fifth: Lemonade and cookies on the lawn after church—maybe some surprise outdoor activities along the way, too!

Summer Activities for Kids

Parents, please watch your email box over the summer for information about activities for youth through St. John's. And consider signing your kids up for New Hope United Methodist Church's "Ready, Set, Serve," a service learning camp, which will meet from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (with a shorter option for younger kids) on July 26-28. The cost is \$15/child and \$10 for additional siblings. Both of us (Erin and Sloane) enrolled our kids in this camp last year, and we can recommend the program wholeheartedly! For more information or to register, go to <http://www.new-hopeumc.org> and click on the link for "Ready, Set, Serve" Camp.



Calling All 6th – 8th Graders -- Heifer Overlook Farm Trip -- July 30th - August 3rd

Ever heard of Heifer International? They're the folks who, through donations, give families in need throughout the world livestock to help improve their lives and lift them out of poverty. Those families then "pass on the gift" and share that livestock with their communities. Pretty cool, right? Well, Heifer has an educational farm right here in our very own diocese. This summer, a group of up to 14 middle-school youth from our diocese will have the chance to learn about global poverty through immersive experiences, do service projects around the farm, and think about ways we can make the world a better place and spread the Gospel in our own communities. The program is sponsored by the Diocese of Western Massachusetts and led by the Rev. Hilary Bogert-Winkler, Diocesan Youth Missioner. It is open to youth in grades 6-8 this past school year. The cost is \$100/youth (St. John's will assist with this cost as needed). The **deadline to apply is June 30th**. Applications are available from Sloane Torres and Erin Keiser-Clark, St. John's Youth Ministers.



Do you have an extra 10 minutes a week?

During the Sunday service, the children of the church often use tote bags that St. John's provides. These contain clipboards with blank paper, crayons, and a coloring book style children's bulletin that contains the Gospel for that week as well as notes for parents about how to talk with kids about the passage. Erin and Sloane are looking for a volunteer to make sure these tote bags are stocked weekly with fresh paper, usable crayons, and the new children's bulletin (which we will provide). The process takes about 10 minutes and can be done after church on a Sunday, any time during the week, or even between the 8 a.m. and the 10 a.m. Sunday services. Any person of any age who wishes to be of service (and can manipulate paper and clipboard clips) can perform this ministry, and it is an important one! If you'd like to volunteer, please email youthministry@roadrunner.com or contact the parish office at 458-8144.

-- Erin Keiser-Clark and Sloane Torres

FROM OUR ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

On May 18th, Jimmy conducted our choir and CIAO! in a concert that featured Vivaldi's *Gloria*. It was a memorable night, both for the music offered by our musicians and for the part played by the thunderstorm, which resulted in a spectacular power outage! Everyone persevered, playing and singing by the light of I-phone cameras and candles and emergency lights, and it was a success—nearly \$900 raised for the Berkshire Immigrant Center!

In thinking about this event, I was reminded of the event we had last spring, Bach's *St. John Passion* with Ensemble Musica Humana. The two works brought totally different challenges and opportunities to our congregation and choir, and I'm grateful for both experiences. In learning Vivaldi's *Gloria*, the choir took on the new challenge of singing a major work in full, without outside support. And the pairing of the choir with CIAO!, too, provided the chance for both groups to learn from each other. The evening felt to me, perhaps in part because of the thunderstorm, like a bonding experience for the musicians, congregation, and community. I was particularly grateful to be working with a musician like Jimmy, who came up with the idea and led us through the dark!



As we approach the end of the academic year, the choir has had to say goodbye to graduating Williams senior Nathan Leach, who has sung tenor with us for two years and assisted as a conductor and soloist. Nathan preached on Sunday, May 21, and we have enjoyed his energy, enthusiasm, and musical gifts throughout these two years. The last Sunday the choir sings before their summer break is June 18.

Our Summer Vesper Services will be at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 22nd, July 27th, & August 31st. Vespers is a short prayer service with music and a variety of readings – a quiet way to end the work day.

-- Bob Hansler

NOTE from Libby: On the Sunday after the Vivaldi concert, I found a scrap of paper in the hymnal rack next to the pew I sit in up front. Someone had written, "There's been a blackout, but the choir sings on. Some play to candlelight, some to flashlights on phones. I held the light for the alto soloist." I love this note for posterity about turning a disaster into a triumph, for it illuminates (pun intended) the strength of these two groups of musicians and this congregation. Bravo to all concerned! Unfortunately many of our emergency lights did not work that night. Through the perseverance of Charles Bonenti and Ed McGowan, however, all the lights have new batteries and will operate properly in the future.

FROM THE COORDINATOR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday, July 3rd, marks the beginning of our **14th annual Summer Noontime concert series**, which continues each Monday through August 21st. This year we welcome some returning artists and some newcomers as well, and we look forward to hearing our new grand piano on several of the concerts.

July 3rd: Emily Kalish, Kathy Andrew, violins; Jimmy Bergin, viola; Perri Morris, cello, perform Dvorak's "American" Quartet and George Walker's Lyric for String Quartet

July 10th: Michael Strauss, viola; solo works by J.S. Bach (preludes, Chaconne, Chromatic Fantasy)

July 17th: Lucy Bardo, Christine Gummere, violas da gamba

July 24th: Gerald Lanoue, bassoon; Edwin Lawrence, piano and organ

July 31st: Akiko Kobayashi, violin

August 7th: Kyle Walker, piano, in a program entitled "Bach to BlackNotes", which includes works by J.S. Bach and several African-American composers

August 14th: Andrew D'Antonio, piano, performing Charles Ives's monumental "Concord Sonata"

August 21st: Ensemble Chamarré from West Stockbridge performs Messiaen: Quartet for the End of Time

The concerts begin at noon and last for approximately one hour. Admission is free; donations to offset expenses are welcome. Detailed concert information will be updated weekly on the St. John's website (www.saintjohnswilliamstown.org), on our Facebook page ("St. John's Episcopal Church, Williamstown") and at www.destinationwilliamstown.org. The series is supported in part by a grant from the Cultural Council of Northern Berkshire, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

--Jimmy Bergin



ST. JOHN'S PERSONALS

Congratulations to **Williams College 2017 Graduates** who have been part of St. John's during their college years. Our congregation has been enriched and blessed by the presence of these young adults, and we wish them well as they move out into the world beyond Williamstown.

***Yvonne Chelagat Bungei** has been a frequent worshipper on Sunday mornings at St. John's. At Williams, she majored in Psychology. Yvonne has been the chief organizer and volunteer for the used book collection and distribution project housed in St. John's basement at the end of Spring semester each year. (See p. 4 for a full description of this outreach project.) Yvonne is from Eldoret, Kenya.

***Nathan Christopher Leach** majored in English and Religion. He sang in the Williams Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, and Bear Springs Folk Trio. In 2016, he was the winner of the William Sloan Coffin Passionate Public Speaking Award in the Spirituality and Faith Category. He graduated *cum laude* and received the William W. Kleinhandler Prize for Excellence in Music and the H. Ganse Little Jr. Prize in Religion. At St. John's, Nathan sang in the choir and served as a soloist and guest conductor. He also preached several times at St. John's, including May 21st. Nathan plans to take a year or two off from school and then most likely will pursue a seminary degree. He is from Roslindale, MA.

***Sarah Neumann**, who was our guest preacher on May 14th, majored in Sociology and Religion and was a Junior Advisor last year. She graduated *magna cum laude* and received the Arthur B. Graves Prize in Religion. At St. John's, she served as a lector and eucharistic minister. In 2015, she was a deputy from the Diocese of MA to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, undoubtedly one of the youngest deputies present. This summer she will be on staff at the Barbara C. Harris Camp in New Hampshire (her tenth year as either camper or staff). She is from Lexington, MA.

***Libere Nduwimana** completed 10 months of coursework at the CDE to receive a Master's Degree. He is returning to his wife and home in Bujumbura, Burundi, to reassume his position as a Bank Supervisor for the Central Bank of Burundi. He is also a member of the Mural Parish in the Anglican Church. Libere has been a faithful presence in worship at St. John's.

Congratulations to the following Williams College Graduates who lived in the Rectory during their senior year: **Jonathan Ball, Aaron Finder, Mariama Ndiaye, Alex Ruberto, Andrew Rondeau, Charlie Sheils, and Katie Swope.**

Congratulations to **Kelley Barnes**, daughter of Dave and Mary Kate Barnes, who graduated from Connecticut College; and to **Emily Haas**, granddaughter of Gary & Jean Dixon, who graduated from Illinois Wesleyan.

Last, but not least, congratulations and best wishes to these 2017 Mt. Greylock High School Graduates, whose families are part of the St. John's community:

***Jack Campbell**, son of Lisa Bernard and Dan Campbell.

***Henry Sanford**, son of Sarah Sanford and grandson of John and Kathy Pritchard.

If you know of a graduate who should be listed, please call Madeline or Libby so they can be included in the next Prologue.

Congratulations are in order for **Dr. Mary King**, who is retiring from her position as physician at Williamstown Commons; and for **Dr. Bill Wootters**, who was named Williams College Physics Professor Emeritus. May Mary and Bill enjoy having time in retirement to pursue all those projects they've wanted to tackle or to just sit quietly and contemplate the mysteries of the universe!

PRAYER FOR ST. JOHN'S SEARCH PROCESS

God of abundance and grace, you have blessed the members of St. John's church with love for one another and with joy in our community. Help us to discern your will and be open to your guidance as we seek a new rector for our parish. Grant us the ability to hear your voice as we listen to one another. Give us wisdom and patience, courage and calm, mutual respect, and clarity of vision that we may receive a priest who serves with warmth and humor, enthusiasm and faithfulness, and who challenges us with the demands of love. In Jesus's name we pray. AMEN

WE EXTEND CONDOLENCE

Michael O'Brien, the Rev. Charles O'Brien's brother, who died on May 12th in Wisconsin.

Claire Putman, Peg Putnam's daughter-in-law, who died on May 27th, after a courageous battle with cancer.

June Ogert, sister of Elaine Anderson and Sandy Schryver, who died on February 11th and whose memorial service was held here (along with her husband, William) on May 26th

Theresa Dube, Madeline Burdick's mother, who died on June 4th (one day short of her 89th birthday).

OUTREACH AND MISSION

CIAO! And the St. John's Choir Concert raised ~ \$900 for the **Berkshire Immigrant Center**.

The vestry authorized a gift of \$200 to the **Mampong Babies Home in Ghana** for a paving project in memory of Babies Home Founder and Director Maggie Addai. Our gift will be joined by gifts from other congregations in our diocese and delivered in June by The Rev. Annie Ryder.

The vestry authorized a gift of \$200 to the **Soaring Eagle Heritage Living Center for Cheyenne Elders in South Dakota** after hearing a presentation from Jane Jenkins. The Jenkins will deliver this gift to the Center in June.

On **September 9th**, Pim Goodbody will be participating in the **New England Parkinson's Ride** and invites others to join him on "Pim's Team" to cycle 30 miles (he notes that this is a bicycle ride, not a race) to raise funds for the Michael J. Fox Foundation in support of Parkinson's research. The New England Parkinson's Ride is independently sponsored and so is able to donate 100% of funds raised to the foundation. To learn more about participating in the ride, volunteering, or making a donation, contact Pim at pgoodbody@alumni.williams.edu.

Again this year, St. John's has been the **gathering-sorting place for books donated by Williams students** at the end of this academic semester. This is the fourth year we've been part of the "Give It Up!" program at Williams. Once the books are sorted by volunteers (primarily Yvonne Bungei '17, who worships with us), Water Street Books will select books they'd like to buy back. Remaining books (74 boxes this year!) are shipped to Better World Books, for resale online or to repurpose/recycle. A percentage of their sales goes to one of their literary partners chosen by Williams students. All proceeds from Water Street Books and commissions from Better World Books are then **donated to Konyango Community-Based Organization**, founded by Williams students to support the initiatives of Konyango Mbotto Community in rural Kenya, where residents are in transition from a subsistence economy to a capitalist economy. Parishioner Paula Consolini connected the dots that brought us this opportunity to serve.

FROM THE INTERIM RECTOR

Wow! What a spectacular way to end the Easter Season! On Ascension Day (May 25th), St. John's hosted a Regional Confirmation Service. At Williamstown Commons and St. John's, Bishop Fisher confirmed or received nine people from St. Stephen's (Pittsfield) and All Saints (North Adams), while five people from All Saints and St. John's reaffirmed their baptismal vows, and six priests reaffirmed their ordination vows in the midst of a powerful worship experience. Then on Williams' graduation weekend, we tried something new – a Saturday afternoon service of Holy Eucharist without music at St. John's and an 8:00 a.m. Sunday service at The Clark in collaboration with First Congregational Church. Saturday's service went well, and Sunday's service was enchanting. The natural outdoor setting with water in the foreground and hills with grazing cattle and hikers was beautiful, and the weaving together of elements from both the UCC and Episcopal worship traditions made this a unique worship experience. Attendance that weekend was more than double the same weekend last year. Mark Longhurst and I shared the sermon time, an exercise in trust for clergy who had never heard each other preach and don't know each other well. Our focus on Creation Care (chosen over a month earlier) coupled with the Gospel lesson and President Trump's three-day-old announcement of withdrawal from the Paris Climate Accord gave us ample contextual fodder for our sermons! The music chosen and led jointly by Bob Hansler and Ed Lawrence was fun and meaningful. Then the very next Sunday, June 11th, we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost at our 10 a.m. Eucharist with panache – a canopy of "holy flame" rising above our heads; the drama of hearing the Acts Pentecost story read in English, Haitian Creole, Spanish, Latin, German, and Arabic; children acting out the story with wind and flames; a gorgeous choral introit and anthem from the choir; and an impromptu bell choir of children and adults. What could have been chaos was spirit-filled, lively, and inspiring thanks to Erin, Sloane, Bob, readers, choir, children, and all the behind-the-scenes folks. Now I wonder what the summer, sometimes referred to as "Ordinary Time," will hold? In this parish, I suspect it will be anything but ordinary!

Libby Wade +

ANGELS WALKING THIS EARTH

There are so many people to thank this month! Singers and musicians, for sure, who kept going so beautifully when the lights went out during the joint concert of St. John's choir and CIAO!, all who sang at the Ascension Day Regional Confirmation Service and for our joint worship with the Congregationalists at the Clark; those "green-thumbers" who are helping our Garden of Eating grow and who "adopted" the planters gracing all our entrances; Laurie Glover, John & Judy Ladd, Margot Sanger, Van and Claudia Ellet, and Jim Wade who helped with planning, logistics, and refreshments for the outdoor service on Williams Graduation Day; Jim Wade and Claudia Ellet for answering phones while Madeline was out of the office during her mother's illness and death; cookie-bakers extraordinaire for the Confirmation Service—Jeanne and Richard Blake, Margot Sanger, Alleson White, Sigrid McWilliams, Elizabeth Williams, Claudia Ellet, Jane Jenkins, Eleanor Montgomery, and Mary King; Coffee Hour Hosts Mary Lovvorn & Rich Shotwell, Cynthia Tykot, Dan Campbell & Lisa Bernard, Robin Lenz, Kathy & Phil McKnight, the Nicholson Family, Margot Sanger, Carl & Jane Jenkins, and Jeanne & Richard Blake.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

A St. John's family is searching for a shared living provider to live with a young man who is blind and has developmental disabilities. The caregiver will live with the young man to provide support, socialization and personal care. It is challenging and rewarding work. In addition to housing (a 2 bedroom apartment in Williamstown), the provider will receive a tax-exempt stipend and be provided training and professional resources. The ideal candidate (a single person or couple) will be energetic, cheerful, and interested in sharing an active and healthy life with this man. A background in social work, nursing, education or human services is advantageous. A fondness and familiarity with Williamstown, and all it offers, is desirable. The full job description is posted on the bulletin board near the church office. If interested in learning more about this position, please contact: Christopher Woods (413) 685-5309, e-mail: woods@nonotuck.com.

RESOURCES FOR YOUR USE

Forward Day by Day Daily Devotional Booklets offer a quick way to enhance your prayer life. The May-July issue is available in the Upper Room, the Breezeway, and the Church.

Sermons preached at St. John's are often available on the table in the Church foyer.

"An Opportunity for Which the Church Was Born", an ecumenical statement from the Episcopal Diocese of Western MA and the MA Conference of the United Church of Christ responding to the President's decision to withdraw from the Paris Climate Accord, is on the table in the Church foyer.

"The Pilgrim Church: We are All Strangers in a Strange Land," a statement about national refugee and immigrant policies from the Social Justice Commission of the Episcopal Diocese of Western MA, is also on the table in the Church foyer.

On a table in the Church, you will find **Photo Release Forms, Membership Data Forms, and a Questionnaire from the Parish Life Committee.**

DIOCESAN NEWS

Congratulations to those ordained as Deacons in June--Beth Washburn, Linda Taupier, Patricia M. O'Connell, Julie A. Butcher, Victoria Ix; and to Jane Beebe (Ellen Beebe's cousin) and Jinney Vogel-Polizzi (from the Berkshire Deanery), **ordained as Priests** on June 17th.

St. Luke's in Lanesborough is celebrating its 250th anniversary on June 25th with a 10 a.m. celebratory service at the Old Stone Church on Rte 7.

CATHEDRAL SPONSORS A TRIP TO NYC TO EXPLORE OUR FAITH

A trip to New York City designed for parishioners and clergy throughout the diocese is planned for **Monday, October 30th**. We'll visit four phenomenal sites: Temple Emanue-El (a "cathedral" style synagogue), The Metropolitan Museum of Art (with a focus on Islamic Art), The Jewish Museum (presenting a panorama of Jewish history, culture, and art), and The Cloisters (with special focus on medieval Christian art). The day will include Peter Pan bus to and from the city, lunch, admissions, guided tours, and a stop for dinner. Mark Shapiro, Rabbi in Residence at the Cathedral, will be our overall guide for the day. The day will cost \$99. Please contact Liz Stevens, 413-686-3177 or cnmstevens@comcast.net for questions about how to register.

RIVER OF LIFE CONNECTICUT RIVER PILGRIMAGE -- May 31st - July 9th

The Rt. Rev. Robert Hirschfeld, Bishop of New Hampshire, had a vision of a spiritual pilgrimage on the Connecticut River many years ago when he served in Amherst. With the backing of seven New England bishops, Province I, the ELCA, and Kairos Earth, this vision has become a reality. A core group of “river pilgrims” will journey the full length of the river, being joined by “daily pilgrims” as they traverse individual stretches/communities. For those who aren’t able to paddle along or join in events but want to participate, we welcome “pilgrims in prayer.” (You can download “40 Days of Prayer,” the pilgrim’s prayer book at www.riverma.weebly.com/join-the-pilgrimage-in-prayer.html). Much of the pilgrimage will be private – held in a protected silence that will allow the pilgrims to listen, to wonder, and to be spiritually present to God in creation. Along the way, locally organized, shore-based events will draw attention to the beauty and challenges—ecological, social, economic, and spiritual—along the waterway. People of all faiths, beliefs, and paths are welcome for any or all of the Pilgrimage. **Bishop Fisher will be paddling June 29th - July 3rd.** If you are interested in being a day-paddler, there are open spaces on July 3rd. The **public event** closest to St. John’s is on **June 29th at 7:00 p.m. at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Northampton.** Kim Lutz, director of The Nature Conservancy’s Connecticut River Program, will speak. Admission is free.

NOTES FROM VESTRY

At its May 10th meeting, Vestry heard from Profile Team leader Jim Kolesar regarding the Holy Cow survey which sought parishioners input regarding desired qualities of the new rector and a forum with a Holy Cow consultant on June 12th. Jim also noted that housing, compensation and health care options for the new rector will need to be addressed by the vestry later this summer or early fall.

Our new Assistant Treasurer, Pete Morin, presented a slide show illustrating the reasoning behind adding an option for electronic giving for our parish members. The Vestry wondered how we might know if it does increase giving, how much it will cost, and what security issues might exist. Treasurer Tom Nicholson said his goal is to have this feature be functional for the fall giving season.

Tom Webb suggested a 3% rate increase for the Rectory, from \$745.83 a month to \$783.21. A motion passed unanimously to increase the rectory rental to Williams students by 3% and to increase Overland’s summer rental by 2.5 %.

Jane Jenkins and Claudia Ellet, co-chairs of the Parish Life Committee, reported on its initiatives: a special coffee hour on June 18th for high-school graduates, and a silent retreat at Holy Cross Monastery, set for October 13-15. A questionnaire soliciting volunteers and recommendations has been sent to parishioners electronically and by snail mail, and it is hoped that all will respond. The committee plans to meet soon to discuss the creation of a budget to be submitted to Vestry in support of Parish Life Events.

Decisions were made to donate \$200 each to two outreach ministries: the Soaring Eagle Heritage Living Center for Cheyenne Elders in South Dakota and the Mampong Home for Babies in Ghana.

SAINT JOHN’S COLUMBARIUM

Applications for a columbarium niche are available in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members: Mary King, Mary Lovvorn, Charles Bonenti, Charles O’Brien, Jane Jenkins, Claudia Ellet, or Libby Wade.

SAVE THE DATES (*Watch for e-mail and Sunday Service updates as more details become available.*)

Sacred Jazz Concert, Sunday, July 16th at 3:00 p.m. when Evita Cobo and friends will be performing here at St. John’s.

An Art Show by Michelle Ridgeway will be on display in the Lower Room in July. Watch for date of the Opening.

RenewalWorks Report to the Parish, Sunday, July 25, in the Lower Room after the 10:00 a.m. Service. Priorities for moving forward presented by RenewalWorks Facilitator Sam Coughlin and others.

A Silent Retreat, the weekend of October 13th – 15th --The Rev. Steve White and the Parish Life Committee is planning this retreat for St. John’s parishioners at Holy Cross Monastery in West Park, NY.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Pete Willmott, Joseph Jacobsohn
- 2 Robert "Bud" Fisher, Stephen White
- 4 Bob Hansler, Hilary Alden , Alexander Elvin,
Rachel Glover, Nathan Wootters
- 5 John Pritchard, Elizabeth Tadros,
Sheila Mason
- 7 Elaine Leander, Marisa Daley, Kathy McKnight
- 8 Eugenia Smith, Karen George, Amanda Moore,
Carol Perkins
- 9 Valerie Kennedy
- 10 Gary Wilson, Linda Carman
- 11 Trent Tabor, Marilyn "Sam" Coughlin
- 12 Shelby LaCosse, Gabriel Coughlin
- 13 Margie Duffield
- 14 Pim Goodbody
- 15 Nicholas Snyder, Anna Kelsey Tabor
- 16 Jim Kolesar, Adrienne Wootters , John Hyde,
Laura Groth, Carla Meehan, David Colt,
Henry Sanford
- 17 Emily Millard, Hugh Sanford
- 19 Susan Akers
- 21 Jeffrey Tovani, Polly Birrell
- 24 Ethan Budrow, Caitlin Kocsis
- 25 David Coughlin, Joy MacNulty
- 26 Gayle O'Brien Kennedy, Karen McWilliams,
Francisco Friedrich
- 28 James Lenhoff
- 29 Laurie Glover
- 30 Richard Halverson

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 John & Suzanne Lenhoff
- 6 Carl & Jane Jenkins
- 9 Peter & Rachaele Morin
- 12 Gordon & Jennifer Holey
- 14 Rich Shotwell & Mary Lovvorn
- 15 Phil & Kathy McKnight
- 19 John & Jid Sprague
Jonathan Secor & Ana Maria Harkins
Jim & Libby Wade
- 20 David & Marilyn "Sam" Coughlin
Josh & Maggie Lawton
- 21 Charlie & Judy Blaisdell
- 22 Peter & Diana Elvin
Barry & Judy Walraven
- 26 Louis & Jennifer desCognets
Scott & Jennifer Hill
Pim & Pandi Goodbody
- 27 Roger & Julia Bolton

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

- 8 & 10 (respectively)
Charlotte Sanders & Lloyd Sanders
- 18 Philip Sedgwick (committal)
- 30 Barbara Twomey

FROM THE PARISH CALENDAR

This month:

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- Diocesan NYC trip, see p. 5
- 40 Days on the CT River, see p. 6
- Parish Retreat, see p. 7

ONGOING:

Sundays

7:00 p.m., AA, Sunday, library

Tuesdays

9:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, church

3:45 p.m., Evening Prayer, Sweetbrook
(third Tuesday only)

7:00 p.m., Adult Children of Alcoholics, upper room

7:30 p.m., AA, library

Wednesdays

10:00 a.m., AA, upper room

Thursdays

1:00 p.m., Affin-KNIT-ty Group, library

7:00 p.m., AA, library

Fridays

Noon, AA, upper room

12:00 p.m., Bible Study, room 3

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Wednesday, June 14th

7:00 p.m., VESTRY, upper room

Thursday, June 1st and June 15th

9:00 a.m., Cancer Support group, upper room

Sunday, June 18th

11:30 a.m., Home Delivered Meals

Saturday, June 24th

11:00 a.m., Celebration of Life service for
Mary Kelly

FYI

- If you would like to "go green" and receive the Prologue by email each month and are happy to dispense with the "hard copy," please let Madeline know at saintjohns@roadrunner.com. We will, of course, continue to send the printed Prologue to those who prefer to receive it by "snail mail."
- If you wish to receive our blast e-mails via Mail Chimp, let Madeline know at saintjohns@roadrunner.com
- The deadline for the next issue of The Prologue will be Thursday, July 20th

Worship Schedule

Sunday Holy Eucharist: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Holy Eucharist: 9:30 a.m., Upper Room

Bible Study, Fridays, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., Room 3 (Church School wing)

St. John's Parish

Williamstown, Massachusetts

*We come from communities along the Hoosic River Valley in North Berkshire,
Southern Vermont, and Eastern New York, united in Christ
whose springs of living water we find here.*

Mary King

Paul Heggeseth

Laura Williams

Lisa Bernard

Alison Kolesar

Rachaele Morin

Carl Jenkins

Curt Johnson

Tom Nicholson, Treasurer

Robin Lenz, Clerk

Claudia Ellet & Margot Sanger, Co-Wardens

The Rev. Libby Wade, Interim Rector

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St. John's Church is Wheelchair Accessible

+The mission of the people of St. John's Parish, Williamstown, is to know God and make God known through worship, love, and service, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and in the strength of the Holy Spirit.+