

CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

- SUNDAY - May 31 - CONFIRMATION**
9:00 Worship, Rev. Barnes preaching
- MONDAY - June 1**
10:15 Bible Study (Office)
7:00 Boy Scouts (Stage/Jerusalem/Bethlehem)
7:30 AA Meeting (Library)
- TUESDAY - June 2**
10:30 Worship at Liberty Hall
6:00 Women's Fellowship Pot Luck (Stage)
- WEDNESDAY- June 3**
10:00 My Brother's Keeper (Jerusalem)
11:00 Staff Meeting (Office)
7:00 Murder Mystery Auditions (Stage)
7:00 Book Study (Lounge)
7:00 Yoga (Jerusalem)
7:30 AA Step Meeting (Library)
- THURSDAY - June 4**
10:00 AA (Library)
6:00 Plant Sale Drop Off (until 8)
7:00 Choir Rehearsal
- FRIDAY - June 5**
Nightwatch in NYC – Discipleship & Sr. High Youth Group
Jr. High Youth Group Retreat at Camp Wightman
10:00 Plant Sale Drop Off (until 8)
- SATURDAY - June 6**
9:00 Plant Sale (until 1)
9:00 AA/AI-Anon (Bethlehem/Jerusalem/Library)
- SUNDAY - June 7**
9:00 Worship, Baptism & Communion, Rev. Barnes preaching

OFFICE HOURS You can reach our office manager Tom Evans at the church office at 537-5189. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 10:30 am–3:30 pm. Email is colchesterfederate@sbcglobal.net (note: no second “d”). Rev. Linda Barnes' email is Lubarnes6@sbcglobal.net.

Bulletin deadline is Tues. noon each week.
AUGUST CRIER deadline is July 15th.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP POT LUCK

On June 2nd (Tuesday) at 6:00 pm the Women's Fellowship will hold a pot luck dinner. Please bring your favorite dish for dinner and enjoy sharing it with other women of our church. We plan to discuss the path the fellowship will take in the future.

PLANT SALE! SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

The Garden Club will be holding its 5th annual Plant Sale on Sat., June 6th from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. in the Stage Room. A wide variety of healthy perennials, as well as some annuals, container pots, and indoor plants will be for sale at very reasonable prices. If you would like to contribute some plants to the sale, please drop them off Thursday evening, June 4th from 6 p.m.—8 p.m. or Friday, June 5th, anytime between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. All contributions are very much appreciated! Also, if you have any pots that you would like to get rid of, please drop them off by the double doors at your earliest convenience. Our gardeners could use them! For more information, contact Pat Culhane (537-1202). Thank-you!

GARDEN CLUB OUTINGS!

The Garden Conservancy of Connecticut will be sponsoring their “Open Days” program this summer. All are invited to visit some of the outstanding gardens and estates in our state. The Garden Club has obtained tickets for the following dates and places this summer.

TODAY: visiting 2 gardens in Litchfield County

Sunday, June 21st: visiting 2 gardens in Stonington

Sunday, June 28: visiting 2 gardens in Hartford County

We plan on carpooling from church right after service, and also stopping for lunch. If you would like to join us on one or more of these trips, or would like more information, please speak with Nancy Dooley or Pat Culhane. Cost of the trip is just for your lunch. For more information on Connecticut's Open Days, you may also visit their website: <http://gardenconservancy.org>

ALL GOLFERS (or golfer wannabees)

are invited to participate in the 3rd annual Silver Lake Golf Tournament, Tuesday, June 9, 2009, Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middletown, CT.

7:30 a.m. Registration begins; Driving Range open

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Shotgun start – Scramble format

2:00 p.m. Luncheon, Raffle and Awards Ceremony

Cost: \$150.00 per person. Checks made payable to Silver Lake Conference Center

WORSHIP AT THE COLCHESTER FEDERATED CHURCH

www.ColchesterFederatedChurch.org Phone 537-5189

Rev. Dr. Linda U. Barnes, Pastor

Patricia Korenkiewicz, Director of Music

Cheryl Anderson, Youth Resource Leader

Confirmation & Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

TOLLING OF THE BELLS *During the Prelude, prayerfully prepare for worship.*

PRELUDE Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASSING THE PEACE

INTROIT On Pentecost They Gathered Ritter

CALL TO WORSHIP Lori Koziol

Leader: Into your presence we come, into fellowship with Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Glorious Trinity. You breathed this world into being. Your creative Spirit is still visible in our everyday lives; through the changing seasons, the colors and sounds of nature, the rhythm of day and night, sunrise and sunset, tide and wind, rain and shine.

All: Breathe upon our fellowship, Creating Spirit, Creator God.

Leader: Your Spirit, present in the birth pangs of this world empowered the Prophets of old, ordinary people called to live extraordinary lives.

All: Breathe upon our fellowship, Creating Spirit, Creator God.

Leader: Your Spirit was so visible through the life of your Son, from the moment of conception to his death and glorious resurrection.

All: Breathe upon our fellowship, Creating Spirit, Creator God.

Leader: Your Spirit was the parting gift of Jesus to the world. 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses... to the ends of the earth'

All: Breathe upon our fellowship, Creating Spirit, Creator God.

*OPENING HYMN Spirit #319

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION **Father, you have gifted us with the power to perform miracles to be your witnesses here and to the ends of the earth. Yet we stand so often with feelings of inadequacy fearful of our own failings and sin. Forgive us when we try and limit your power and underestimate our own capabilities. Forgive us when we fail to open our hearts fully to the working of your Spirit when we choose to limit your work in our lives.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Holy Spirit, your creative breath is the power in your Church today, Lord. May we know that power in this place and in our lives.

All: **Amen**

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CHILDRENS MESSAGE Wind Beneath Our Wings Tracy Bausum

SCRIPTURE Matthew 4:18-22 Jim Caronna
Luke 6:20-23a Mitch Koziol

SACRED DANCERS Thy Word
Katie Marquardt, Laura Marvin and Carrie Archambault

PENTECOST READING FROM ACTS 2:1-21 AND REFLECTION Rev. Barnes

ANTHEM Witness Hogan

CONFIRMATION INVITATION Cheryl Anderson

PRAYER OF BLESSING & THANKSGIVING Through time you have called your people to faithfulness, O God. We thank you for these people, your beloved children who have responded to your call in this time and place. We thank you for the ways that they have participated in your community here and have furthered your mission in our world. We pray that we might hear their stories and learn from them that through their eyes we might see you more clearly. Bless them as they continue in faithfulness as a valuable part of this community. It is in your power and grace that we pray. Amen.

READING FROM FAITH PAPERS Discipleship Class

QUESTIONS OF THE NEW MEMBERS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Congregation stands)

LEADER Let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God.

PASTOR Do you believe in God? **ALL I believe In God.**

PASTOR Do you believe in Jesus Christ? **ALL I believe in Jesus Christ.**

PASTOR Do you believe in the Holy Spirit? **ALL I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

**Indicates that all who are able may stand*

ACT OF CONFIRMATION *The confirmands kneel. Pastor, Leader, Deacons and mentors place hands upon the candidates.* PASTOR May the God of mercies multiply grace and peace in you, enable you truly and faithfully to keep your vows, defend you in every time of danger, preserve you to the end, and finally bring you to rest with all the saints in glory everlasting. Amen

PRAYER OF CONFIRMATION **We rejoice, O merciful God, with these people in the gift of the Holy Spirit, and in the Spirit's power to awaken us to new truth and to inspire us to venture into fullness of life. We give you thanks that they have been moved to affirm their baptism. Help them to live not for themselves alone but for Christ and those whom Christ loves. Keep them steady abounding in hope, never giving up, pressing toward the goal of life with you. Amen.**

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS Let us, the members of Colchester Federated Church, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.
PEOPLE **We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the Church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our Risen Savior.**

GREETING OF CHRISTIAN LOVE Ted Sanford & Deacons
PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

*HYMN **I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry** Insert

CALL TO OFFERING & OFFERTORY Come, O Spirit Powell

*DOXOLOGY **Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly Host.
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen (tune of #591)**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING **We thank you God for the many blessings you have bestowed upon us, the blessings that have filled our cup and caused it to run over. We give our thanks this morning in the offerings of our hearts, minds and pockets to be used in the name of Christ to aid all of God's children.**

*CLOSING HYMN **I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me** #369

BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE Every Time I Feel The Spirit

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

following the 9 am service on June 14th. As we celebrate the graduating high school seniors of our church, The Diaconate invites everyone to a picnic brunch. Those who are able are asked to help by bringing a dish to share (breakfast or lunch items).

THANKING THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Have you ever seen one of our military walking past you and wanted to convey to them your thanks, but weren't sure how? Recently, a gentleman from Seattle created a gesture which could be used and has started a movement to get the word out. Please everybody take just a moment to watch.... The Gratitude Campaign;and then forward it to your friends! THEN START USING THE SIGN. <http://www.gratitudecampaign.org/shortmovie.php>

*** In Appreciation ***

The ushers today are Mitch and Lori Koziol, Jim Caronna and Ted Sanford.

The Greeters today are the discipleship class:

Taylor Wink is a Freshman at Bacon Academy. He enjoys playing soccer and reluctantly runs track. His passions are bmx biking and music and he is a car enthusiast. Taylor lives in Colchester with his parents, Chris and Donna, and his sister, Emma.

Joe Cocchiarella attends Norwich Tech. He enjoys music and plays in a band. Joe plays lacrosse and helps out at VBS. Joe lives in Colchester with his parents Arlene & Bob, sister Jessica and brother Tim..

Jesse Bradstreet is a freshmen at Bacon Academy. He is active in Boy Scouts and a member of the Darfur club at school. Jesse has found interest in writing stories. He lives in Colchester with his parents, Steve and Jude, and brother Joey.

Christopher Ashley attends Bacon Academy. He enjoys playing soccer all the time. He lives in Colchester with his parents Scott and Tina, and his brothers and sisters Nick, Tim, David, Mathew, and Victoria.

The roses on the pulpit this morning are in celebration of the Confirmation students. As is tradition in many churches to place a rose on the pulpit for the baptism of a child, we now place roses for our young men Confirmed in Christ name: Joe, Taylor, Chris, and Jesse.

John Ylvisaker, 1985: ♩

Unison

1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
2 When you found the won - der of the Word, I was
3 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too
4 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the
old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you
there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you

were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
liv - ing God, to whom you now be - long.
through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold. St. 4, end

I was there when you were but a child, with a
Should you find some - one to share your time and you
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you

faith to suit you well; I'll be there in case you
join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as I have

wan - der off and find where de - mons dwell.
vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

to beginning