

Martha's Vineyard



Fwip, fwip, fwip...I fingered through the selection of small calendars, wrapped in thin plastic film, that were box on the shelf. As I came to the end of the stack, the box became weighted toward the front, and all of a sudden, the calendars were in a mass of confusion on the floor at my feet.

Stooping (you know that stance, knees bent and one's behind almost touching the floor, then looking around for a solid fixture to grab to drag yourself to a standing position), I began to collect the calendars. "I knew we must be related," she said, "stuff like this happens to me all the time!" The spectacled young woman smiled as she knelt beside me to help gather the merchandise, and rose more easily than I, to place it back into the empty box on the shelf. Laughing and thanking her for her immediate help, we exchanged quick pleasantries and went on our separate ways.

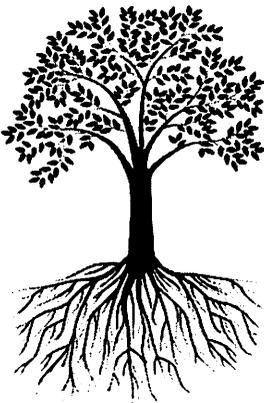
Imagine! Such a remark! "...we must be related..." Coming easily and naturally from her lips, her genial, not-to-worry, I know the feeling expression of common ground touched me deeply. A small, obscure weaving together of kindred spirit, as we dispatched clean-up business in good order.

How can one argue? We must be related...of course we are...life happens and spills occur; whether as simple and easy to correct as calendars in a pile on the floor, or life altering, catastrophic events that wrench our hearts and threaten our very existence and being, snatching at our faith life and threatening to unhinge us.

All of us, Children of God, beloved, fashioned in the likeness and image of our Creator, belonging to the human family...let us never forget...We Must Be Related...

In Christ,

Deacon Martha



All Saints' Sunday

A Tree of Life will be part of both services on All Saints' Sunday, Nov. 4th. Members of the congregation will have an opportunity to write the name of a saint, past or present, on a slip of paper and with a small clothes pin, clip it to a branch on the tree. In this way, those special to us will be acknowledged, honored and remembered.

EARTHLY MATTERS



Help Save the Environment

Next Level Plastics is a veteran-owned startup company based in Lockport, NY. Their mission is to clean up and re-purpose the plastic waste of the world. What sets NLP apart from other companies is a patent-pending process that allows them to mix all different kinds of plastic into one blend. This means that all those things you thought you couldn't recycle - you know, because they don't have the little logo and number on them - can now be recycled, including Styrofoam items, plastic bags, bottles, straws, cutlery, toys, and packaging. Wouldn't it be great to see the world start re-using plastic rather than sending it into landfills and oceans? Put simply, they take plastic garbage and turn it into building materials. NLP can construct decking, picnic tables, stairs, chairs, and that is just the tip of the iceberg! Doesn't it make sense to build things out of the waste instead of cutting down trees to build from wood?

Next Level Plastics (NLP) was born from an idea that founder Daniel Dudek, had over 30 years ago. It started when he witnessed two men struggling to unload several large boxes of waste at the Lockport city dump, a place he would often find himself taking his own scraps while honing his carpentry skills over the coming years. He stepped up to help the two men and asked what they were dumping. They replied that it was plastic granules that no longer met the specifications for a nearby production plant. He looked around and immediately knew that he had to find a way to re-purpose the nearly endless amount of plastic garbage he could see accumulating. He began researching and experimenting with all different types of plastic and recycling methods. He knew there had to be a way to combine them all into one mixture. He contacted industry experts, built his own equipment, and conducted thousands of failed experiments over 30 years before finally achieving his dream.

Consumers drop off any plastic they can no longer use. They recycle every kind of plastic, so there is no need to check for a recycle symbol! Just drop it off in the bin located in Harrison Place at 210 Walnut St. Lockport, NY. Access using the truck gate on Walnut at the end of Elm St, enter the building through the people door on the left, up a few steps, and the bin is in the center of the area, labeled **DROP OFF**. The only requirement is **NO METAL!**

Donations are needed to help launch these products on the market. In the current situation, the company is 4 friends/family members with a vision and proof of concept. Unfortunately, they cannot yet afford to quit full-time jobs to pursue this exclusively. With the funds raised on a Go Fund Me page, they will purchase the remaining pieces of machinery needed to complete the operation and begin hiring personnel needed to sustain manufacturing.

Many people are aware that our planet's environmental impact from plastic is a growing problem, but aren't sure how they can help, or maybe it seems like too much effort. Here is an easy way for you to help! NLP needs your donations to help launch their products. There is a "**Go Fund Me**" page where you could donate to help NLP increase their operation. Click this link: [Clean Up The Plastic Waste!](#)

Gloria Bryant



At the Diocesan Convention Eucharist on October 26, Christ Church presented \$700 to the United Thank offering. Many thanks to the givers who donated their coins of thanksgiving.

We're looking for a few good Episcopalians . . .

At the **Annual Meeting on January 13, 2019**, the members of Christ Church will elect: two wardens, three vestry members for three-year terms, one vestry member for a one-year term, and three delegates to diocesan convention.

All candidates should be adult communicants in good standing, meaning that they should be baptized or confirmed members who are faithful in attending worship and in "working, praying and giving for the spread of the kingdom."

Service as Warden or on Vestry presents an opportunity for anyone interested in a leadership role to work for the future of Christ Church in a year of transition and change as we enter into a partnership with the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania. This is the time to get involved!

To nominate yourself or someone else for any of these positions, or for more information contact Judy Pauley at 434-2382 and she will be glad to answer any questions.

Have you made your pledge yet?

Our stewardship drive began in October and will end on Sunday, November 25. We have received 27 pledges totaling \$54,440.

Jesus answered, *"If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."* When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

Matthew 19:21-22

The vestry will soon prepare our 2019 budget. This would be a great time to catch up on your 2018 pledge if you've gotten behind. And do send in your pledge card for next year if you haven't gotten around to it yet.

Also, remember that financial circumstances sometimes do change and your pledge can be adjusted at any time with a phone call to the church office.

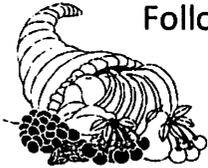


THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE



Wednesday, November 21, 2018

Plan to come the evening before Thanksgiving Day as we gather with area churches, here at Christ Church, to worship and give thanks for our many blessings.



Following the service we will enjoy pies and coffee in the Fellowship Hall as we meet and greet those from other congregations.



Mary Hunt & Women of Christ Church
Holiday Dinner Get Together
Wednesday, December 12, 2018
Cammaratas Restaurant 6336 Robinson Road
6:00 p.m. Cocktails
6:30 p.m. Dinner

Please come out and join us (all women are welcome) for cocktails and dinner to celebrate the Holiday season. Since our secret pal exchange has taken a year hiatus, we are hoping to try something new and include everyone that would like to participate.

We are calling it "Sock It To Me". In order to participate, we are asking you to buy/make a new pair of crazy, silly, wacky socks, wrap them up and bring them to dinner. We will collect them in a basket and have fun as each of us opens one and see who ends up with the craziest, silly pair.



Condolences

The Christ Church family extends their deepest and sincere sympathy to the Cheryl and John Urtel family

Cheryl's mother, Lovis Heal passed on October 30. Lovis was a long-time member of our congregation. A memorial service was held Saturday, November 3rd.



Our thoughts and prayers will remain with Cheryl and her family in the difficult days ahead.

Can You Help?

Immaculata Home is a communal living home located in Lockport for women looking for a Christ-centered community to assist with life skills development, independence and growth in person faith and community. The residents are overcoming drug addiction, mental illness and history of incarceration.

Their services include clean and safe housing for women; communal kitchen, laundry facilities, library, garden and chapel; job readiness and conflict resolution; opportunities for spiritual growth; crafting, cooking and gardening; group field trips; opportunities for community service and human services support.

There are things that the Department of Social services, or SNAP food allowance does not provide for the ladies and the home is in need of these items to be provided in another way. They would appreciate some of these items being gathered for them:

Cleaning Supplies: Pine sol, dish washer pods, dish soap, toilet bowl cleaner, white vinegar, disinfectant wipes, Murphy's Oil Soap, disinfectant air fresheners, leaning rags, sponges scrubbers

Everyday Items: laundry soap, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, paper plates, napkins, feminine products, large incontinent panties, hand soap.

If you have any questions on how you can help, contact Debbie Miller, Executive Director at 727-0003.

Just a couple of fun holiday facts to impress your family
and friends around the dinner table this year.

Enjoy!



THANKSGIVING INFOGRAPHIC FACTS

THAT'S ENOUGH
TO MAKE **700**
PUMPKIN PIES!

THE THANKSGIVING
HOLIDAY TRADITION
STARTED IN **1621**
IN PLYMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS
BY PILGRIMS WHO
WERE CELEBRATING
A GOOD HARVEST

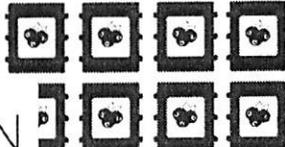
2,100
POUNDS



THE LARGEST PUMPKIN
EVER GROWN WEIGHED



TOTAL NUMBER
OF TURKEYS
THAT ARE CONSUMED
ON THANKSGIVING

7.5 
MILLION 
BARRELS OF CRANBERRIES
ARE PRODUCED EACH YEAR



Happy Thanksgiving



NOVEMBER 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:30 am 1st Sunday, Healing			Church Office Hours Tuesday through Friday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm At other times please leave a message 716-433-9229		1 7 pm Choir	2 7 pm - AA	3 8:30 am T.O.P.S.  Set your clocks back
4 7 pm - Lock City Glee Club	5 7 pm - Lock City Glee Club	6 VOTE! 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm - Lockport Chorale	7 10 am Morning Prayer 6pm-Men's Fellowship 8 pm - NA	8 7 pm Choir	9 7 pm - AA	10 8:30 am T.O.P.S. 10:00 am Eucharist at Briarwood	
11 VETERANS DAY 	12 7 pm - Lock City Glee Club	13 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm - Lockport Chorale	14 10 am Morning Prayer 8 pm - NA	15 7 pm Choir	16 7 pm - AA	17 8:30 am T.O.P.S.	
18	19 7 pm Vestry 7 pm - Lock City Glee Club	20 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm - Lockport Chorale	21 10 am Morning Prayer 7 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service	22  Thanksgiving	23 Office Closed 7 pm - AA	24 8:30 am T.O.P.S.	
25	26 7 pm - Lock City Glee Club	27 6:30 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm - Lockport Chorale	28 10 am Morning Prayer 8 pm - NA	29 7 pm Choir	30 7 pm - AA		

November

Birthdays



- 1 Jeff Edmister
- 7 Sarah Wijewardena
- 8 Richard Kibler
Michael Lepkyj
- 9 Almon Leach
- 10 Carol Zimmerman
- 12 Cindy Few
Gary Firkins
- 13 Maggie Lupo
Joe Mrowczynski
- 16 Richard Southard
Kristina Heal
Marie Beitelshees
- 17 Ron Winter
- 19 Marilyn Harris
- 20 George Johnson
- 22 Helen Estep
- 23 Gen Nelson
Sophia Milan
- 24 Nathan Urtel
- 26 Hartley Hutchins
- 28 Daniel Watson

ANNIVERSARIES



- 4 Bob & Cindy Theruer
- 6 Fr. Joe & Robin Kozlowski
- 8 Alan & Cindy Shaw
- 17 Skip & Kathy Vinchkoski
- 20 Jeremy & Christine Wirth
- 22 Larry & Marty Upson
- 28 Charles & Rozann Sattler

DECEMBER

Birthdays



- 1 Sarah Porth
Benjamin Perez
Jim U'Ren
- 3 Julie Hinton
Brian Monaco
Kevin Miller
- 6 Fay Mrowczynski
- 7 John Urtel
- 8 Betty Phillips
- 9 Austin Hinton
Betty Stevenson
- 12 Tom Lupo
- 13 Elisabeth Oehmler
Lila Rose
- 14 Diane Nelson
- 15 Gretchen Lang
Allen Richards
Joan Winter
- 18 Joelle Waters
- 20 Rick DeWaters
- 26 Fr. Joe Kozlowski
Lorraine Ott
- 27 Stephanie Porth
- 29 Bonnie Witt
Sean Smith
Erika Kastel
- 30 William Muscato

ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Todd & Paula Shears
- 21 Gary & Linda Firkins
- 27 Jean Claude & Melissa Bernaer
Tom & Maggie Lupo

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Healing Prayers each first Sunday

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Diocesan Website: www.EpiscopalWNY.org

THE CHURCH STAFF:

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Organist	Tim McQueen
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Sexton	Dan Rucci
Communications and Publicity	Barbara McHenry

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Wardens: Judy Pauley and Susan Bauer

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Patricia Dickinson	Richard Rucci
Richard Few	Ronald Steen
James Glaser	Cynthia Theurer
Susan Heschke	Heidi U'Ren

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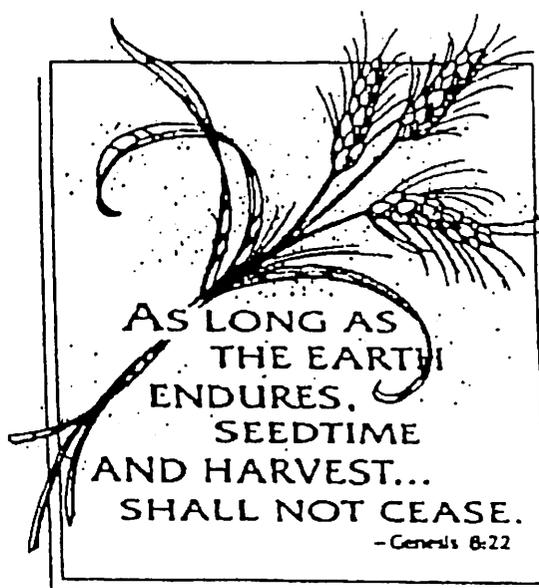
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