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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE REGION LEADERSHIP TEAM? Is God nudging your shoulder and prompting you to become more involved with the work of the Region? Would you like to share your ministry with the Region and seek collaboration? Consider visiting one of our monthly team meetings. We meet on Tuesday 5/28 and 6/25 at 6 PM at Trinity, Wethersfield (300 Main St, Wethersfield, CT 06109). Please contact our convener, The Rev. Linda Spiers, prior to attending a meeting. Linda can be reached at lindaspiers@aol.com (860) 693-8172.

5/7 MOVING FORWARD: WARDENS IN CHANGING TIMES: (A gathering for wardens.) Join your fellow wardens from the North Central Region to discuss the changing role of wardens in the church in the new Missional Age. This will be an opportunity to network with your fellow wardens, share resources and best practices, and explore new ideas. We will gather at Trinity, Wethersfield (300 Main St.) on Tuesday, May 7 from 6 PM to 8:30 PM. Snacks will be provided. Register: https://ncwardens-may7.eventbrite.com.

5/27 – 5/31 CT RIVER PILGRIMAGE - THERE'S STILL ROOM! River. Prayer. Good food. All that is missing is you! We have a very limited number of spots left on the pilgrimage. If you are curious about this experience reach out to Rachel Field or Rachel Thomas, or apply online at https://kairosearth.org/connecticutriver2019. Pilgrims will be stopping at NC Region parishes as they paddle down river. Day paddles will also be offered for those who would like to experience a piece of the journey. If you are interested contact Rachel Field at rfeild@episcopalct.org or Rachel Thomas at rthomas@episcopalct.org.
**5/4 NEIGHBORS FEEDING NEIGHBORS:** Church of St Andrew, Rocky Hill and Trinity, Wethersfield will work with The Outreach Program to package 10,000 freeze-dried meals to be distributed to the Wethersfield Food Bank, South Park Inn of Hartford and Cornerstone Shelter in Vernon. Packing is open to public volunteers and will take place **Saturday, May 4 at the Church of St Andrew,** 331 Orchard St in Rocky Hill, from 9 AM to 12 PM. Volunteers can give an hour, 2 hours or 3 hours of their time. Families are encouraged to bring children. Donations will be accepted through either church to allow us to package an additional 1,000 meals of oatmeal to supplement the Backpack Program and others with a breakfast item. Forty meals can be supplied for every $10.00 donation. Contact either church for more information.

**5/19 – 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration for couples married for fifty years (or more) at Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford from 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM. Liturgy will include renewal of marriage vows and presentation of commemorative certificates to all couples. A reception will follow. Bishops Douglas and Ahrens will be present to celebrate with all the couples at this joyful service. We would also like to recognize same-sex couples who have been together for 50 years (or more) and are now married. For more information visit: [http://www.cccathedral.org/news/events/50th-wedding-anniversary-celebration](http://www.cccathedral.org/news/events/50th-wedding-anniversary-celebration).

**6/8 A CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT THROUGH FIRE:** All are invited to attend an informal multi-parish and interfaith prayer service planned by the southern parishes of the North Central Region of ECCT in honor of Pentecost at Trinity Church, Portland on Saturday, June 8 from 6 PM to 8 PM. If the weather is fine, we will eat outside. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for dining al fresco. Bring a dish to share for the potluck. Bring your children. We will have a craft activity and bubbles and s’mores! [For more information visit the event page](https://www.episcopalct.org/ECCTCalendar/2019/May).

**A Season of Racial Healing, Justice & Reconciliation**

**5/11 from 9 AM to 2 PM.** As The Episcopal Church in Connecticut begins its Season of Racial Healing, Justice & Reconciliation, **Dean Kelly Brown Douglas** of Episcopal Divinity School at Union will present at Connecticut’s Cathedral (45 Church Street, Hartford) on **“What it means to be church in Make America Great Again Times?”** Dean Douglas will address what it would mean for the Episcopal church to lead the way toward a beloved community by confronting the realities of racial injustice, thereby living into the call to be church. Tickets are $15 and available at [https://www.episcopalct.org/ECCTCalendar/2019/May](https://www.episcopalct.org/ECCTCalendar/2019/May).

**Safe Church Training Opportunities in NC Region**

Anyone planning to attend a training session must **REGISTER ONLINE. REGISTRATION CLOSES 7 days prior to each training or when a session is full, whichever comes first, to allow time for the host parish and trainers to prepare accordingly.**

[For more opportunities & to register visit](https://www.episcopalct.org/ECCTCalendar/safe-church-trainings-all/)
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