



North Central Region Monthly Snapshot

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Did You Know ANNUAL CONVENTION is Happening in Our Region This Year? & YOU can participate in ways beyond the delegation?



OCTOBER 27, 2019
11:00 A.M.
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CONVENTION WORSHIP
HARTFORD, CT



10/26 & 10/27 ECCT's 235th Annual Convention at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford, CT. **SATURDAY** will consist of working groups on submitted questions, resolutions, and reports. The business will wrap up in time for an **Evensong and celebration at our Cathedral**. Convention continues **SUNDAY** with a **gathered worship service for Episcopalians all over our state at 11:00 a.m.** Worship with your sisters and brothers across Connecticut at the Connecticut Convention Center, and hear the Good News as proclaimed by the Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, the first woman to be consecrated a bishop in the Anglican Communion. Registration for Sunday is free but requires separate registration! **For more info:** <https://www.episcopalct.org/events/annual-convention/2019/>

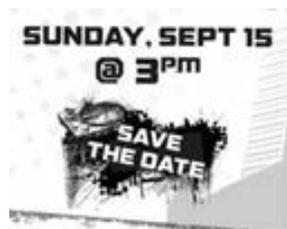
HIGH SCHOOL AGE YOUTH from across the Episcopal Church in Connecticut are invited to be a part of the **youth presence at our Annual Convention this year!** Come participate in the work of ECCT, learn how our church runs, and spend time in fellowship and prayer with other high school students from churches all over our state. Most of our time will be spent at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford, with a visit to Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford for Evensong, and an overnight lock-in at St. Monica's, Hartford. **For more information and to register:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/youth-convention-2019-registration-62302398150>



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. **This fall we meet the FIRST WEDNESDAY of each month (9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4) at 6 PM at Trinity, Wethersfield** (300 Main St, Wethersfield, CT 06109). Please contact our convener, Trish Leonard, prior to attending a meeting. Trish can be reached at gmaahc@cox.net



9/12 Event Commission hosted by Trinity, Tariffville: Welcome September! We are still in Pentecost for another two months allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us and to TRY OUT NEW THINGS. Everyone is back at school and suddenly church is busy with events to plan and eager volunteers to help! Join members from Trinity, Tariffville to learn how to promote your event at the Event Commission (an emerging network) on Thurs, Sept 12 from 12-1:30 pm at Trinity Church, Tariffville. Bring your smart phone and a friend! Everyone is welcome! **For more information email Melien at mel@pluginmatter.com**



09/15 Back to School Hip Hop Mass at 3 PM at Our Cathedral. This fresh expression of worship began as a Mass in the streets of the Bronx. "From the time of our earliest working-group meetings, our goals remained simple and straightforward: It was to sing the new song of Jesus Christ in the vernacular – the language of the people – especially our younger generations," said Timothy Holder, Creator and Founder. "The Word was made flesh and dwelt in the 'hood!" This Hip Hop Mass is a Cathedral Centennial celebration offered to all young people (and young at heart) from ECCT and beyond. **To register visit: <https://www.cccathedral.org/news/events/hip-hop-mass>**



09/24 NC Region Wardens Gathering: Sharing our Burdens at St. James, Farmington from 6:00 to 8:30 .WARDENS, ARE YOU HEAVY LADEN? Do you carry burdens in your ministry that another warden could help you carry? Back by popular demand, we're offering a second NC Region wardens gathering that we hope will be as helpful and productive as the spring get-together. Come, meet other wardens, share your stories, and leave with ideas and the support to move forward in these changing times. **For more info and to register visit: <https://ncregionwardens09-24.eventbrite.com>**



09/26 "Let My People Go" Ministry Network meeting at 4 pm via Zoom video conference. We are a newly formed ministry network which seeks to find ways to support migrants on our southern border. One response, which we are actively working on, is to raise funds to post bail for children who have adult relatives living the United States. This work will be done through agencies which have successfully used this approach, so that the children can legally be released into the custody of people who have their well-being at heart. **To learn more and help raise awareness, email the Rev. Ranjit Mathews at rector@stjamesnl.org**



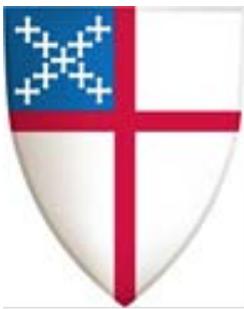
10/05 NC Region Parish Communication Workshop: Join Alli Gannett, Digital Storyteller for the Episcopal Church in Connecticut for a free day long workshop all about parish communication. In the morning session (9:00 – 11:30 am) learn how to set up a basic website on Weebly.com. The afternoon session (1:00 – 3:30 pm) learn how to utilize social media to showcase your parish and share the Good News. Space is limited to 10 parishes total, and no more than 2 people per parish. **To register visit: <https://nccommunication1052019.eventbrite.com/>**



10/19 Kateri Benefit Dinner: Happening only once every three years don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to reflect on the work God has called us to do in Nigeria. Join us on Saturday, October 19 from 5:00pm - 8:30pm at the First Cathedral in Bloomfield, CT to meet the key players and partners working so hard to help us bring humane medical and health care to the poor in Nigeria. Attend to be part of the change you want to see in the world. Key note Speakers: Bishop Marcus Dogo & Mrs. Nana Dogo. Music by The Tapestry Singers of CT. **For more information and to RSVP visit: bitly.com/Kateri2019.**



10/20 Rice & Beans & Chili Cook-Off to benefit St. Vincent's Center for Disabled Children in Haiti at Trinity, Wethersfield starting at 5 pm. For 12 years, this Cook-Off has taken on a "life of its own". This year Trinity and St. James', Glastonbury are again partnering and adding Christ, Middle Haddam and St. Andrews', Rocky Hill as participants. 16 cooks providing 2 oz. taster cups of Rice & Beans or Chili. Two competitions – judged and a people's choice, and you vote for the latter. Pay at the door cost: \$10 adults, \$3 children (3-12), \$25 for family of 5 (2 adults). Come and join this community event! Bishop Marcus Dogo and his wife, Nana of Kafachan District, Nigeria will be speaking on "Educating Children in Third World Countries." For more info. email Marilyn Ford at mhford3@gmail.com or visit <https://trinityepiscopalweth.org>.



"History & Heritage" of the American Episcopal Church -- Wednesdays - October 23 - November 20 at St. John's, Bristol (5 sessions of an hour & a half each at 10:00 A.M. or 6:30 P.M. pick the time that works best for you) - we will ALSO be having a **Saturday hike & Holy Communion - on Saturday morning, November 2**. All are welcome to join us in a hike (about a mile or so each way) up to the rocks known as Tory's Den - during the American Revolution Tories fled Patriot raiders by hiding in the rocks at Tory's Den - we will have a brief time to reflect on the "middle way" and what it means to be an Anglican/Episcopalian in times of divided politics - we will then share Holy Communion among the these rocks - should be a good morning for reflection and fellowship - meeting place and time to be determined. **For more information contact the Rev. Link Hullar at linkhullar@gmail.com**

Season of Racial Healing, Justice & Reconciliation



BECOMING BELOVED COMMUNITY GRANTS. Allocated by the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church ([GC 2018 Resolution D002](#)), the intent for this funding is to build capacity and increase Episcopal engagement in four primary fields: telling the truth about our churches and race, proclaiming the dream of Beloved Community, practicing Jesus' way of healing and reconciliation, and repairing the breach in institutions and society. Applications open on August 13, 2019. **Deadline for submitting a grant application is September 13, 2019 - https://dfms.formstack.com/forms/bbc_grants_2019**



11/16 - 11/17 -- Pilgrimage to Museum of African American History & Culture, in D.C. -- The Racial Healing, Justice, and Reconciliation Ministry Network's pilgrimage planning team has acquired tickets to the Museum of African-American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. The timed, group tickets are for two days, Saturday, November 16 and Sunday, November 17. Travel will be by motor coach, with tentative plans to leave Hartford at 7 a.m. November 16 and make one stop in the Stamford/Greenwich area en route. Attendees will be responsible for making their own reservations at a nearby hotel, discounted rates will be available. Group size is limited. **Details about registration, travel, hotel discount code, meals, and cost are being determined available at <https://rhjrwdbustrip11162019.eventbrite.com>**

Opportunity in the SC Region: Undoing Racism Workshops - New Haven: The [People's Institute for Survival and Beyond](#) has been offering workshops for the dismantling of racism in the United States since its founding in 1980. They are "a national and international collective anti-racist, multicultural community organizers and educators dedicated to building an effective movement for social transformation."

This year there will be a series of opportunities through the [Elm City Undoing Racism Organizing Collective](#), which is a collaborator with the People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, to participate in these three day workshops. All community leaders are invited to participate (if you're reading this you are a community leader!). Workshops will be offered on: **September 12-14, October 18-20** and **November 8-10**. These workshops provide one opportunity to lean... into the two year focus of Racial Healing, Justice, and Reconciliation...and there are many others being offered across ECCT! Please contact The Rev. Kyle Pedersen (kyle.pedersen@yale.edu) with questions about the workshops through Elm City UROC and check out their [website](#) for more information and for an application.

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. Click below for more information and to register:

Comprehensive Basic Hybrid Safe Church Training

- Nov. 2, 2019 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. - St. James, 3 Mountain Rd., Farmington

Re-certification training

- Wed. 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. - Trinity Church, 11 Church St., Tariffville

For more opportunities visit: <https://www.episcopalct.org/ECCTCalendar/safe-church-trainings-all/>

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The intent of the Monthly Snapshot is to raise awareness of region gatherings, ministry network events, opportunities for parish collaboration, and invitations to participate in God's mission together! Each Snapshot looks two months ahead. For your announcement to be included in the next Snapshot be sure to contact our Region Missionary, Erin Flinn, by the last week of the month at eflinn@episcopalct.org.



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