



St. David's Episcopal Church
NOVEMBER DOVETALE
2022

MISSION STATEMENT:

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to love and serve God and community, committing ourselves to lives of joyful worship, prayer, and the aching of Scripture.

COMING SOON
STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 27

JOURNEY INTO STEWARDSHIP (by Ted Zern)

We are all accustomed to hearing about time, talent and treasure. We are asked each year to consider what we will return to God as thanks for all that we have received. This year will be no different in that sense. However, as we begin our 2023 Stewardship Campaign, I considered another perspective which I recently came across in reading about stewardship. Instead of time, talent and treasure, what if we used the terms Wealth, Works and Wisdom. Doing so provided me with a somewhat different view of giving and leads me to the theme for this campaign—More Than Enough.

As presently configured, the stewardship campaign at St. David's comes in two phases, first that pertaining to our treasure or wealth, the second in context of time and talent, or works and wisdom. The latter two components will be featured in early 2023. Therefore, at this juncture, let me focus on the concept of wealth. Now, wealth probably carries a much broader meaning and is perhaps a bit elusive. If someone says we are wealthy, most of us would defer to agree. However, it can also be seen as relative to circumstance and current resources.

I vividly recall a conversation with my daughter when she was a freshman in college and studying poverty in America in her introductory social work class. She asked me if I thought we were well off financially. I tried to explain that we had all that we needed but stumbled around until she provided an illustration of income levels among the working class. Suffice it to say I acquired a very different perspective of wealth at the end of that conversation, especially as she asked whether could find a way to help those who did not have all they needed. It was a poignant moment for me when considering the notion of wealth as I began to understand that we had “more than enough.”

To the point of wealth (or treasure), I want to share a story that was recast in a booklet called “Faces of Faith: A Steward’s Book of Prayers.” It is a story about stewardship, but is told with a different perspective. The story is penned by Debbie Hudson, a woman of faith in the Episcopal Church. I don’t know much else about her but her story struck a chord, much like the conversation with my daughter. Hudson’s reflection appears as follows.

All my life I have searched for God. I wanted to know Him, to hear Him, to feel His presence. I considered myself a good Christian—I regularly went to church, read and studied the Bible, spent time in prayer, and always tried to do good. But He had eluded me. I saw the look in the eyes of those that knew Him. There was a certain “glow” and “peacefulness” about their demeanor. I wanted that very much. So I earnestly prayed for God to come into my heart. I asked Jesus to help me find my way to the Father.

Then one day I began a journey that started with a simple phone call. My rector called and asked me to become a co-chair for our annual appeal. He caught me completely off-guard and I responded with the ever faithful, “I’ll have to pray about it and I will call you in a few days.”

Well, I did pray about it. I prayed very fervently. I explained to God that He couldn’t possibly expect me to do this job because I certainly wasn’t qualified. I was just an ordinary parishioner that couldn’t lead a hungry cat to his food bowl, let alone try to talk to people about parting with their money. And besides, I didn’t know the first thing about organizing and conducting an annual appeal. Oh, I complained and pleaded and moaned and groaned—but I still felt that God wanted me to do this. No, felt is a poor choice of words—I knew that He wanted me to do this.

I was desperate. I had to confess a secret that I kept buried deep within my heart—one that I thought was hidden from Him. “Lord,” I prayed, “I have always given generously, but I can’t possibly talk to people about money in church because—here it comes, Lord—because I don’t think you should ever talk about money in church.” I secretly criticized those people that talked about money in church. And now He wanted me to be one of those people! I continued, “Jesus never passed the plate. Jesus didn’t build churches and parish halls. We are not supposed to be concerned with material things so why—I’m just being honest, Lord—would you ever ask me to talk to other people about giving their money? I just can’t do it, Lord.”

Let me interject a few facts here. When I first joined the Episcopal Church, I wanted to understand the tithe. So I asked the rector to explain it to me. He said that we should try to give ten percent of all that we receive back to the Lord. I had to steady myself to keep from passing right out! "Ten percent?" I heard myself shout. "Are you crazy?" "I can't give ten percent—I have bills to pay!" Well, the rector calmly told me that I didn't have to start at ten percent—I just had to start. So I calculated that if I gradually increased my giving every year, that before I died I would be able to reach ten percent and check that one off my "things to do before I depart" list.

Having said that, back to the phone call from the rector. As I said, I pleaded with God for days, but deep down inside I kept hearing that little voice that said, "Just do it!" Finally, I surrendered. I was extremely skeptical and reluctant, but I called the rector and told him "yes." Then, I had the audacity to tell God that if He expected me to do this job, He had better be prepared to do some miracles to help me.

And so I began the most wonderful journey of my life—my journey into stewardship. I examined my resistance to the topic of money in church. I read what the Bible had to say about this topic. I learned that Jesus talked about this more than any other topic in the Bible. I examined my fears and my reluctance to make a commitment. I began to look at how I spent my money and my priorities. I realized the real price that I paid for each and everything that I spent my money on. I recognized that I had been saying all my life, "My Lord, I love you. I give you my life but please don't touch my money." My perception of the world changed. I was forever changed. I didn't look at things in the same light as I had before. The words of the Bible came to life for me. Suddenly I understood. I knew what His words really meant! I knew what it was like to "lose my life and save it." To know the meaning of the words, "Where a man's treasure is there goes his heart." I wish that I could tell you everything that has happened to me. I cannot believe that I was so blind and so deaf! I always thought that I had given my life to the Lord and surrendered my will. But I realized that there was a whole part of my being that I still needed to control. I saw all of my "excuses" for what they really were—my fear and lack of faith. I was afraid to give ten percent because I might not have enough. All that the Lord gives me, how could I ever have told Him that ninety percent was simply not enough?

I wanted to share my story with everyone I met. I wanted to tell them how my journey into stewardship had changed my life. I wanted them to hear and see and not make the same mistakes I had made. I wanted them to know the Lord, really know the Lord and feel His presence the way that I did. But they did not want to hear. They said they were sick of all this money talk in church. They said that money talk was certainly not holy talk. I couldn't believe it. I was so sad. Oh God, I cried, why won't they listen? I asked myself, "Why didn't I listen?"

I realized that I thought of stewardship in terms of fundraising. "We have to raise funds to pay the church bills." "We have to have pledges to make the budget." "We need more money to expand the physical plant and the outreach programs." I had heard these phrases many times. Money, money, money—we need money—your money.

How can I tell you that stewardship is not fundraising? Well, stewardship raises funds. But it is more than that—it's a way of living. It's a way of thinking. It's about rejoicing in the ninety percent of God's blessings and joyfully offering Him a small gift of only ten percent. It's heart to heart. It's coming home. It's living through giving. It's learning to share. It's love. It's an abundance of grace. It's feeling free. It's being called and saying, "Yes, my Lord." It's admitting, "I'm afraid, but I have faith that You are with me," and then really believing it. It's forever changed my life. Praise God. Amen.

And so, there it is.....the heart of Stewardship. This is a story about a changing heart, a different life paradigm, one that reminds us we are blessed many times over when we give from the heart. Indeed, stewardship is a journey in faith, one that leads us to remember the greatest gift of all.

Over the course of the next few weeks, you can expect to see a number of references to the topic of stewardship. Most notably, look for stewardship reflections attached to Fr. Harvey's weekly email and as bulletin inserts. You will also hear from the Vestry and of course from Fr. Harvey. When it comes time for pledge forms to be completed, you will have the option of emailing your intentions directly to the Pledge Secretary instead of needing to complete and return the form. Of course, if email access is not readily available, mailing the pledge form remains viable. The end goal for the financial portion of the stewardship campaign is **Sunday, November 27** at which time all pledge forms will be offered during worship service. In the meantime, how much of your wealth will you return to God? Can you also determine that place of "more than enough?"

Thank you for your faithfulness and in the words of Dickens, "***God Bless Us Every One!***"

NEW TELEVISION STATION, by Fr. Harvey

We continue to broadcast our 10:00 Sunday services, but the television station has changed. We have shifted to channel fifteen from channel twelve. I believe the shift has improved the quality of the broadcast. At least I hope so! Now we are in conversation about the possibility of spreading our broadcast to West Springfield and perhaps Southwick. Stay tuned!

GRANDPARENTS PLAYGROUP

Virginia Ventulett and the kids meet on Thursday mornings at 9:30 for about an hour for fun, friends, and music. It's free and all are welcome. In November, the group will meet every week except Thanksgiving Day. Please see Virginia for details.

CHURCH RENTALS, by Fr. Harvey

Rentals are a bigger and bigger part of our budget, as well as our parish life. Anyone who has been to Church recently will have noticed musical instruments along the wall of the sanctuary. If you look more closely, you can see that our storage room is full, and that there is a lot of action in the kitchen. All that action can be a pain. But it is also a REALLY good thing for us.

Renting space has become a critical part of our budget. Pledges and fundraisers have not fully covered our expenses for years. Our expenses continue to go up, and to go up faster than pledge income. Realistically, we need to increase our rental income every year if we want to maintain balanced budgets.

So, if you find yourself inconvenienced by one of our tenants, if for example you want space at a time when the space is taken, please take a minute to remember that we rely on our tenants to fund our own mission, and be as patient as you can. Thanks!



MORE THAN ENOUGH

2023 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

As we embark on the stewardship campaign for 2023, I recall the recent sermon offered by Fr. Harvey on the concept of being thankful and how we might take time each day to reflect on the daily gifts from God we each receive. While some days may seem bleak, and not much can be readily identified for thanks, we might expand our perspective and thus consider all that we have, even a morning coffee, or a sunrise or sunset on the horizon, or the colorful leaves falling on a frost covered lawn can be reason for thanks, or as the author of this passage mentions, the artistry of God's world. Beyond giving thanks, we can then determine how we respond to God. Perhaps, the concept of being a good steward begins with first being thankful. Ted Zern

Gratitude is a Spiritual Discipline

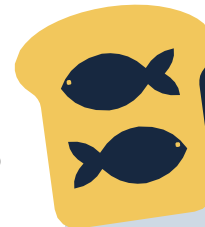
Jane Scanlon, Diocesan Stewardship Development Officer

Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving in October with a long weekend. It includes a delicious meal shared with loved ones and opportunities to spend time outdoors enjoying the colorful autumn leaves as they mark the changing of the seasons. For artists, like me, this time of year is glorious proof that God is the best artist

Although the Thanksgiving holiday draws our attention to giving thanks, I am finding that my solitary daily practice of gratitude is a powerful spiritual discipline and an ongoing focus for giving thanks throughout the year. Every day, I do my own version of the Examen. The Daily Examen is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events of the day in order to detect God's presence adapted from a technique described by Ignatius Loyola in his Spiritual Exercises. My version of the Examen begins most days when I get into my car in the morning to drive to work. The first thing I do is open myself to be more aware of God's presence. I say thanks to God for being the most constant and loving presence in my life and for everything I have received.

Then I review with gratitude my awareness of God's presence working through me during the previous day as well as looking at those times when I was not aware. And finally, I ask the Holy Spirit to work through me during the day helping me to see clearly and as much as possible through compassionate eyes. At night, I thank God and ask for a restful sleep in preparation for the next day.

Through my experience with the Examen, I am discovering that gratitude is a spiritual discipline that I can't live without, and I have become more aware that at the heart of it is generosity. God the giver blesses me with gifts for which I am thankful and which I, in turn, can share. By practicing the spiritual discipline of gratitude, year-round, all of us can participate in a continuous flow of love from God moving through us to others.



Questions For Reflection:

What are the blessings you have received recently?

How do you see yourself cultivating a discipline of gratitude?

How does your perspective change when you view life through the lens of gratitude?

ALL SAINTS DAY, by Fr. Harvey

All Saints Day always falls on November 1, a Tuesday this year. I hope everyone will pause for a minute on the day itself to say a prayer and give thanks for the people in your life who have died. We'll celebrate All Saints Day as a parish the following Sunday, November 6. It's one of the great holy days of the year, so I encourage you to make a special effort to be in Church that day. During the Prayers of the People, we will list the names of people from Saint David's who have died in the last year, as well as anyone else we are requested to remember. Please send me the names of anyone you would like included. Thanks!

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE: by Deacon Terry

Our outreach ministry supporting the Khan family continues to be a blessing to them and us. They now have a baby girl, born September 24th . The baby's name is Parwana. She weighed 6 pounds 3 ounces. Tiny.

In Afghanistan it is the custom that the grandmother(s) name the child.

The night the baby was born, Sharifa felt the pains, so Afzal called two ladies on the team to have them get to the house and bring them to the hospital. Well, the two ladies got stuck in Big E traffic and arrived a bit after 11pm. They found that the baby was born in the bath tub safely by Afzal, who even cut the cord!

The ladies brought mom, dad and the baby to the hospital to be checked out. All was fine, but since the baby was so small, they kept them in for a day to make sure all was well.

In the meantime, Lainey (Hurlbut), spent the night(s) sleeping on the couch while the five boys slept on the living room floor. She managed to get them to sleep after they told her "they were allowed to stay up until 10pm". They went to bed at 8:30, as Lainey told them, "that's an old trick boys". Funny, how kids are kids, no matter where they come from.

The diapers & other gifts everyone donated has been a blessing to the family, in that it saves them some money as they are living on a very tight budget. Thanks to all who donated! Afzal's job is going great and he is very proud of what he does. He is working in East Longmeadow at American Saw. For the past four months, volunteers have been bringing him and picking him up for work. For the first few weeks he rode his bike, but some of the volunteers couldn't take it, as the ride was 35 minutes each way on busy roads and his shift starts at 5pm and ends at 5am. We are working to assist him in obtaining a vehicle. He has his learners permit and is scheduled to take his driving test soon. With a vehicle, it would gain them the independence everyone wants. He understands the high costs of a vehicle, but honestly needs to do more for himself (he says). People bring them everywhere, and he feels like he is a burden to people. As I write this, I again am reminded of Jesus saying "For when I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a STRANGER and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me" Matt. 25:35.

I am know this is challenging, for me to write and possibly for some to read. But, if you are able to offer a gift towards the "vehicle fund", it would be great. Whatever you maybe able offer would be a huge help.

"It takes a village to raise a child". Well, we have 6 of them! As we approach the holiday season, think of all the blessings we each have! Think about sharing a bit of it.

Peace Deacon Terry

FALL WORK DAY

Thanks to everyone who helped at our Fall Work Day! And of course, a specially big thanks to Bob Rendrick for leading us!

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING, by Fr. Harvey

The Daughters of the King is a religious Order for laywomen, more or less similar to my own Third Order of the Franciscans. The chapter in our Diocese is inviting interested women to learn more about them and to consider joining. They are hosting a discernment program this month by Zoom, probably in the evenings. The first session will be an introduction to the Order. You can also learn more about them at the Order's website: <https://www.doknational.org/>. Let me know if you are interested. You can also contact Mariana Bauman, head of the local chapter, at 413-627-1945 (cell) or marianab@earthlink.net. It's a great organization and a great group!

MORNING PRAYER

We continue our schedule of livestreamed Morning Prayer Tuesdays through Fridays at 8:00 AM, with Terry or me leading on Fridays. Please tune in as you are able. But also remember that we put forms in the narthex for seasonal versions of Morning Prayer and also for Compline. The forms there now are for Pentecost, which continues through most of November. But we'll switch to Advent as of Sunday, November 27. The forms are intended to help you say Morning Prayer or Compline on your own. Joining us or praying Morning Prayer or Compline on your own is a great way to add a little prayer into your weekly routine!

A YEAR WITH LUKE, by Fr. Harvey

A group of us meet on Zoom on Tuesdays at 4:15 roughly every other week to talk about a chapter of Luke's Gospel, along with a very accessible guide by N.T. Wright called *Luke for Everyone*. Our November meetings are tentatively scheduled for the 8th and the 22nd on Zoom. Please join us!

Looking ahead, we will finish Luke in December. That means we will have to decide if we want to continue into 2023 and, if so, what we'll read and discuss. If you are interested in joining the group next year, please let me know. And if you have suggestions for what we might do, please let me know that, too. Thanks!!

THE JOHN O'HARE VETERAN'S MINISTRY, by Fr. Harvey

We were back at it in October, with a good crowd who enjoyed Shepherd's Pie. At my table, one of the Vets commented that we were one of his favorite locations because the people of Saint David's were always so friendly. Thanks to everyone who makes that true!! And thanks to everyone who helps out in any way. This is a great ministry that's fun, too!

Our meal this month comes fast—November 1! As always, all Veterans eat free. And everybody is welcome to come help out. Thanks!!

BOUNDARY DISPUTE, by Fr. Harvey

I want to let everyone know about an unfortunate situation. The neighbor behind the Police Station and abutting our retaining pond has been pushing into our property, most recently with a new fence. We stated our position that his fence was on our land. He and his father, who lives next door, insisted that they owned the property right up to the fence. Finally, we had a survey done, which showed that father and son both have buildings on our land. They were still unwilling to negotiate.

The Diocese has now gotten involved, which is a great relief. The Diocese' lawyer has been in touch with both men, and he is prepared to take them to court if necessary. I am glad the Diocese is doing what needs to be done, and at no cost to us. In the meantime, our job is to pray for our neighbors and for the whole situation.

REIMBURSEMENTS

Across from the office are forms for receiving reimbursements for expenses people incur on behalf of Saint David's, as well as a list of which vestry member is in charge of which budget line. You can also see who is in charge of which budget area on our webpage at <https://www.stdavidsagawam.org/leadership.html>. As always, if you need to spend the Church's money, please complete the form and get the signature of the relevant vestry person.

When Helene Robbins (our treasurer) receives the signed form and the receipts, she will mail the reimbursement check to your home. You can also pick it up at Church during office hours or make other arrangements. We decided to use the mail given the increased traffic in our building during the week. Thanks!!

CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS, by Fr. Harvey

Our October Church without Walls came on the last day of the Big E. It was a battle getting from Saint David's to the Parish Cupboard—I was glad I wasn't the one driving! As we sat in traffic, I wondered if anyone would show up. Thankfully, they did. In fact, it may have been our biggest crowd since the pandemic began. After a slow start, this ministry is clearly back in business.

Terry preached, which was great. Afterwards, Bob Fastie, the Executive Director of the Cupboard, commented that he always got a lot out of the services when we came. That was good to hear! He added that more people come on our Sundays because they appreciate both our service and the lunches we provide. That felt even better! Thanks as always to everyone who makes this ministry possible. Special thanks this month to Pat and David Wolos who made the sandwiches for us that morning!

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

The Women's Book Club will meet on Sunday, November 6 at 11:15 to discuss *The Measure*, by Nikki Erlick. All women are welcome!!

MARKETPLACE

The Church is looking for a home for the piano in the Community Room. Free to the first person who will haul it away!

Susan Amabile has an iPhone 7 in excellent condition that she would like to sell. Verizon said it is worth about \$125. She will accept about \$90. Contact her at 519-7854.

PRISON BIBLE STUDY, by Fr. Harvey

We're still working on this! Getting leaders from multiple Churches cleared for orientation is taking longer than I hoped it would. As I write this, the Jail has all the materials, but and we have begun the orientation process. The Saint David's Team is all done, but we are waiting for a few people on the broader team to get cleared before we begin. Our current hope is to start this month. If so, our Monday will be the 28th.

EUCCHARISTIC VISITS AND VISITORS

Our goal is to offer Communion to homebound people something like every other week. We currently have six visitors, so we are about there. If you would like to join our intrepid crew, please let me know. Thanks!!

FLOWERS AND THE ALTAR CANDLE

Most weeks, the flowers and/or the altar candles are given to the glory of God and in honor of someone important to us. If you would like to remember, honor, or give thanks for someone, please complete the form (available in the narthex), attach a check for the relevant amount, and return it to the office or put it in the collection plate. Thanks!

HOLIDAY BAZAAR, by Susan Amabile

It's everyone's favorite time of year, the St David's Holiday Bazaar! Saturday November 19th is the date, from 9:00-3:00. If you want to help out that day, please let me know.

What is happening with the Bazaar will be posted on the easel in the Narthex. This year we are going to have CHICKEN SOUP on our lunch menu for a change.

Sign-up sheets for the Bake Table will be out when the time comes. Right now we are looking for donations. Ellen Rendrick Raffle items! Kim Kozik Lottery tickets for Lottery Christmas tree. Checks made payable to St David's are also acceptable. Please put Bazaar on your check. This donation will help with incidentals.

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO DONATES TO THE BAZAAR IN ANY WAY.
Suggestions are always welcome!

REPLACING THE RUG IN THE SANCTUARY, by Fr. Harvey

We're moving forward, slowly but surely. Thanks to the hard work of the Development Team and also the Saint Christopher's bonus, we have the money we need. Hopefully the work itself will happen soon!

Jo and Bob have vendors coming in to give quotes on the replacement. When they have gathered the relevant information, the vestry will have an initial meeting to consider our options. Then Bev Lawson will chair an open meeting at which everyone can share their thoughts. The vestry will make the final decision, hopefully at our December meeting. Thanks to everyone who has done so much to get us to this point, and to everyone who helps us get across the finish line!!

CREATION CARE CORNER. Jim Shields.

Good news on the climate change front: The recent Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provides for \$369 billion in funding for initiatives like cutting emissions, manufacturing clean energy products, and advancing environmental justice issues. This promises to be a game-changer in the fight to keep the global temperature from rising 1.5 degrees C above pre-industrial levels. Under the old Investment Tax Credit (ITC) plan, a 26% tax credit was available for solar and solar storage, but tax-exempt organizations like churches didn't have the tax burden to qualify for the ITC. Under the IRA, non-profits can get a 30% DIRECT cash payment rather than a tax credit. This also allows non-profits to reap the benefits of the ITC without needing to go through the hassles associated with dealing with a 3rd party entity or complex financing. This 30% ITC payment can be used for solar equipment, battery storage, or grid updates. To address environmental justice issues, solar projects for low income communities, affordable housing projects, and multi-family houses may qualify for an additional 20% "add-on" payment, meaning that the total ITC could reduce the cost of the project 50%. With the cost of solar continuing to decline and the financial benefits of the new ITC, this may very well be the catalyst that brings the U.S. closer to seriously reducing carbon emissions.

CREATION CARE, KIDS' CORNER: HIBERNATION by Mary Moore

"By the seventh day God had finished the work He had been doing; so on the seventh day He rested from all His work." Genesis 2:2

"By the seventh day God had finished the work He had been doing; so on the seventh day He rested from all His work." Genesis 2:2 In the winter when there is not enough food around, some animals save energy (which comes in part from food) by becoming less active. Some animals, such as woodchucks and frogs, go into a deep sleep for the entire winter. You might think they were dead because their breathing and heart beat slow down so much that you can barely detect them. This is true hibernation. Other animals may sleep when it is extremely cold, but wake up once in awhile and hunt for food when the weather warms up a bit. Raccoons do this. Even we need to get our rest every night or by taking naps. Whether we are talking about true hibernation, nighttime sleeping, resting, or anything in between, our bodies slow down on the inside during all of these. Our breathing slows down. Our hearts do not beat as fast as when we are very active. Our body temperature may go down. All this resting helps us save energy and recharge.

Activity: Sit and rest for a few minutes, then take your pulse. A grownup can show you how. You can also count how many full breaths you take in a minute. Now, get up and do something that requires a lot of moving, like doing 30 jumping jacks or running up and down the stairs a few times. As soon as you are done, immediately take your pulse and count your breaths as you did before. How do the numbers compare? Is your heart pumping faster or slower? How about your breathing?

NOVEMBER CALENDAR:

Our Weekly Events

Sunday: Services at 8:00 and 10:00 (in person and Facebook)

Sunday School at 10:00

Monday: Men's Bible study at 7:00 (in person)

Thursday: Grandparents Playgroup at 9:30 (except Thanksgiving Day!)

Friday: Healing Eucharist every Friday at 12:00 (in person)

Bible Study every Friday at 1:00 (in person and Zoom)

Contemplative Prayer, every Friday at 2:30 (in person and Zoom)

Our Friday events will NOT happen the day after Thanksgiving—Nov. 25.

M-F: Compline at 8:00 PM (on Zoom)

T-F: Morning Prayer at 8:00 AM (on Facebook)

Special Events

Tuesday, November 1: Veterans Lunch at 11:30

Saturday, November 5: Diocesan Convention beginning at 8:30 (at UMass)

Sunday, November 6: Women's Book Group at 11:15

Church without Walls at 12:00 at the Parish Cupboard

Monday, November 7: Community Supper at 6:00

Tuesday, November 8: Conversation on Luke at 4:15 (Zoom)

Saturday, November 12: Wine Tasting at Mary Moore's home, noon to 5:00

Wednesday, November 16: Vestry at 7:00

Saturday, November 19: Holiday Bazaar from 9:00 to 3:00

Sunday, November 20: Community Thanksgiving Service at 3:00

at First Congregational Church, West Springfield

Tuesday, November 22: Conversation on Luke at 4:15 (Zoom)

Thursday, November 24: Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, November 27: Stewardship Sunday and beginning of Pentecost

Tuesday, November 29: Advent Bible Study: Hope at 6:30 on Zoom

Regular Rentals

Sundays from 1:15 to 4:45 PM: Spanish Church

Sundays from 5:00 to 8:00 PM: Church of the Last Harvest

Mondays from 6:30-8:30 PM: OA

Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 PM: Church of the Last Harvest

Wednesdays from 6:00 to 10:00 PM: Church of the Last Harvest (2nd and 4th)

Thursdays from 9:30-11:00 AM: OA

Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 PM: Church of the Last Harvest

Fridays from 6:30 to 10:00 PM: Church of the Last Harvest (first Friday)

Saturdays from 2:00-4:00: Mercy Church

Saturdays at 7:00-9:00 PM: Al-Anon Meeting



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