

## *The First Sunday of Advent Holy Eucharist*

### Advent Wreathes

Following the 10am service today, Goodwin Hall will be transformed into an Advent Wreath workshop. Forms and candles will be provided.



Christmastide is a season when the church is beautifully decorated in celebration of the Nativity of our Lord. Poinsettias and a variety of other seasonal plant material transform the church. Donations may be made in memory of departed friends and loved ones as well as in Thanksgiving for special persons, events or occasions important to you. To donate, please fill out the green form in the bulletin and return it to the church office.

### Stewardship Celebration Brunch—TODAY

Join the festivities. Brunch today following the 10am service. Come celebrate St. Mark's, its missions and ministries.

### St. Mark's Work Day at WAIM

Rev. Brian would like to revitalize our ministry at WAIM. Area faith communities are asked to work at the building in Willimantic twice a year. St. Mark's has been asked to work on Saturday, December 9 from 9-12. Children are invited to participate. And in years past when this ministry was very active, the fun continued as the group went out for lunch. For more information, please speak with Rev. Brian.

### Eucharist— Wednesdays 12 Noon

Please join us in the chapel when we celebrate the Eucharist as part of a service of prayer, silence, and scripture reading.

### Bringing St. Mark's Mission to Life

<b>Sun., Dec. 9 10 am</b>	<b>Covenant Soup Kitchen Sandwich Making</b> <b>* 2nd Sunday of the month *</b>
<b>Mon., Dec. 10 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Vestry Meeting</b>
<b>Thurs., Dec. 13 8:00 am</b>	<b>Men's Breakfast- River and Rail Diner, (formerly Track Nine) West Willington</b> <b>* 2nd Thursday of the month *</b> <b>Come and enjoy fellowship with the men of St. Mark's – all are welcome</b>



### *December Birthdays*

Lucas Anderson	December 4
Anna and Ben Engler	December 4
Nord Yakovleff	December 4
Bob Kliminsky	December 5
Barbara Depray	December 7
Sophia Lownes	December 7
Maureen Brennan	December 13
David Pepin	December 13
David Sykes	December 18
Renie Steinway	December 20
Acey Neel	December 23
Bill Morgan	December 24
Gavin Sutterfield	December 28

### *December Anniversaries*

Andrea & Ross Wilderman	Dec. 1
Amanda & Louis Hanzlik	Dec. 19
Gloria and David Sykes	Dec. 24

## Homosexuality and the Bible

**What does scripture  
really say  
How does this inform  
what we believe**

St. Mark's Episcopal Chapel  
42 North Eagleville Road Storrs, CT  
December 12 7-8:30 pm



## #AdventWord 2018

2 Dic #Camino	14 Dic #Podar
3 Dic #Mirar	15 Dic #Preparar
4 Dic #Enfoque	16 Dic #Regocijar
5 Dic #Noche	17 Dic #Cantar
6 Dic #Luz	18 Dic #Antepasado
7 Dic #Germinar	19 Dic #Lavar
8 Dic #Alerta	20 Dic #En Llamás
9 Dic #Salvaje	21 Dic #Señal
10 Dic #Llanto	22 Dic #Anticipar
11 Dic #Ir	23 Dic #Persistir
12 Dic #Disparejo	24 Dic #Paz
13 Dic #Smooth	25 Dic #Celebrar

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### *Special Events for Advent and Christmas at St. Mark's*

- **Sunday, Dec. 14, 7 pm: Holiday Concert Lessons & Carols**  
Organ and Brass with UConn A cappella groups present a program of holiday carols and readings.
- **Sunday, Dec. 23, 10 am: The Christmas Pageant**  
A boisterous service filled with exuberant joy as the children lead us remembering the Christmas story.
- **Monday, Dec. 24, 4 pm: Family Christmas Service with Communion**  
Filled with carols and candlelight, this joyous family service celebrates the coming of Christ with the Christmas Eucharist, and LOTS of carol singing!
- **Monday, Dec., 10 pm: Candlelight Christmas Service**  
A quietly joyful mix of candlelight and song.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 25, 9 am: Christmas Eucharist**  
Join us for joyous congregational carol singing as we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Holiday Readings Carols*  
*Sing A-long for Family and Friends*




Special Performances  
UConn's Brass Ensemble  
and A cappella Groups

The Chordials and Extreme Measures  
Featuring Brombaugh Organ, Opus 21


December 14th, 7:00 pm  
St. Mark's Episcopal Chapel  
Reception to Follow

\$20 Suggested Donation  
UConn Students and Children \$3 Suggested Donation

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*Thanks to our Sunday Ministers who sustain the worship life of our community*

December 2, 2018			
Ministry	Service	Today	Next Sunday
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Gale Morrow	Sue DeWolf
	<b>10:00</b>	Bob Kliminsky Dave Moske	John Doiron
<b>Flowers</b>		GREENS	GREENS
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Steve Paasch	John DeWolf
	<b>10:00</b>	Art Engler	Mark Healey
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>10:00</b>		
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Jim Morrow	Sue DeWolf
	<b>10:00</b>	Laurie Gypson	Bruce Steinway
<b>Lector</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Sue Gagnon	Sue DeWolf
	<b>10:00</b>	Anne Flammig	Amanda Hanzlik
<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Bill Morgan	Judy Hopkins
	<b>10:00</b>	Acey Neel	Mark Healey
<b>Sunday School Teachers</b>			
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>		Brian Blayer	Jim Morrow
<b>Counters</b>	<b>10:00</b>	Steve Paasch Andrea Wilderman	Sue Gagnon Troy Sutterfield
<b>Coffee Hour</b>		Stewardship Brunch	Kathy Carpenter Kathy Pepin

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