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Ascension Window

Heading toward the back of the church on the Gospel side is the Ascension Window which is the last in the series to feature a depiction of Christ. The window is very simple with the main figure of Christ ascending into heaven with his arm in a position of blessing. One of the apostles already has begun to worship him as the others say their farewell. This window matches the ascension story from Luke. Below is also the story as found in Acts. **Luke 24:50-53**

⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Acts 1:6-11

⁶So when the apostles had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ Jesus replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Blessings, Marc

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday Eucharist 10/18 @ 10:30am

Bible Study on Daniel 10/18 @ 12:30pm Hybrid

Happy Birthday!

Rev. Ben Brockman Susanne Kulikowski Jean Potter Linda Shorts Ann Angelo Glen Potter

Happy Anniversary! Jean & Glen Potter St. John's Announcements

Hawkwing Outreach - It's that time of year again for our annual collection for our brothers and sisters on the reservation! There are many ways that you can help:

- Toys for boys and girls in the \$10-\$12 range for ages 5-10 and no batteries. These will be given at The Great Give Away in December.
- To help with the brutal winter cold, we will accept only new and gently used clean winter coats for all ages. Kids sizes are especially in need.
- Sunday, October 22nd will be the special money collection for the reservation food banks. If you would like to give money for either toys or the food bank, please make your checks out to Hawkwing and write on the memo line either toys or food bank.
- Any questions, please call Terri at 860.644.5892.
- Please find more information at www.hawkwing.org.

Bins in the Narthex – There are bins in the Narthex collecting the following items:

- Toys for boys and girls
- Gently used coats.

Thank you for your donations!

Assorted Nut Sales – Nancy Simon will be collecting Assorted Nut Sale order forms. Due date for all sales is Sunday, October 15th. Order forms will be in the back of the church. Please contact Nancy Simon for any questions – 860-978-0198/nancycsimon@att.net

Tree of Light – Join us in making our Tree of Light shine bright this holiday season. Order forms will be in the back of the church. Due date for forms is Sunday, November 19th. Please contact Linda Borovicka, Kimmie Farrell, or Bethany Chanthavisouk for any questions.

Gift Card Sales - Gift Cards are available for purchase. Order forms will be available in the Narthex. The last day to turn your order in is Sunday, November 5th. Gift cards will be distributed on Sunday, November 12th at both services. Please leave your order form in either the drop file in the Narthex in Bill Francis's file or deliver them to Christina in the office. You can also mail the order form to Bill Francis at 41 Pinnacle Rd., Vernon, CT. 06066. 860-872-2044. Please consider buying a gift card to replenish grocery cards for our in-house food ministry, or you can donate the gift cards to our Holiday Bazaar raffles. They also make great gifts for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Save the Date – Holiday Bazaar will be Saturday, November 18th from 9am – 2pm. More details to follow!

Bible Study - Our weekly Bible study has begun with a study of the Prophet Daniel. Daniel is the last of the greater prophets, and it focusses on a later period in our Old Testament. It contains some of the best-known stories in scripture like Daniel and the Loins' Den, as well as, apocalyptic literature much closer in genre and tone to the Book of Revelation. If you have been reading the Bible your whole life or never cracked one open, you are most welcome to join our Wednesday Bible Study at 12:30. We are going to try a hybrid bible study meeting both through Zoom and in the Parish Hall. If you would like a Zoom invitation, please reach out to Father Marc. Anyone can come in-person at any time.