

Here's What's Happening at
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AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

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UPCOMING:



PEACE Camp 2024

Monday, July 8th – Thursday, July 11th from 5:00 – 7:30pm!
Please complete the form in today's bulletin or sign-up online!

Volunteer Sign Up: bit.ly/volunteerpc2024

Peace Camp Registration: bit.ly/registrationpc2024



Coffee and Hand Crafts

Tuesdays at 9:30am. Do you have a project you're working on? This is an open creative community hosted by the church, who will meet weekly. Questions? Email Ava!



Good Grief Support Group:

Wednesday, June 12th, 19th, and 26th at 11:30am First Church is holding an in-person support group. Copies of the book we will use, When the One You

Love is Gone, by Rebekah Miles will be available to purchase in the office.



Service Trip – buy a share!

Participate in our youth trip by sponsoring a portion of their service work. Youth will be near the ice cream to accept your investments!

WORSHIP:

Sunday Morning Worship: We also livestream, with a recording available: www.youtube.com/FirstChurchBTv

Fellowship Hour: Every Sunday after worship, in the chapel. Chat about worship and life and enjoy a beverage!

MUSIC: To offer your musical gifts, vocal or instrumental, or to learn more about First Church music programs contact us at music@firstchurchburlington.org or abilton@firstchurchburlington.org

- Our **Sanctuary Choir** rehearsals are at 7pm Thursdays and 9:15am Sundays. All are welcome to sing!
- **Youth Music Ensemble for 5th – 8th grade, in the Stone Room at 9:30am**, please contact Ava Bilton for info.
- **Cherub Choir is for children in Pre-K-4th grade, in the Stone Room after worship** with Laura Elder-Connors. The Cherub Choir will share their gifts in worship next Sunday and then break for the summer.
- **Bell Choir** rehearsals are from 6:45 – 8:15pm on Wednesdays at First Church. New ringers are always welcome! For details contact Jennie Coleman, jcoleman@firstchurchburlington.org.

READERS: Interested in reading during worship? Contact info@firstchurchburlington.org to let us know!

FLOWERS: The calendar for donating Sunday flowers is available in the Narthex of the Sanctuary. You can create an arrangement or order one. We will contact you with details. Questions? Email: office@firstchurchburlington.org

WELCOMING:

NAME TAGS help build community: Forms and completed name tags are available in Sanctuary Narthex.

New to First Church? Please fill in your contact information on the welcome cards provided in the pews and return it in the offering plate. We'd love to know you're here and say hello! Our online Welcome form: bit.ly/fccbwelcomecard

The Church E-News: Sign up on our website, in the Church Office, or complete a Welcome Card in your pew.

Sunday Morning Welcomers & Ushers! Friendly faces are needed to greet or usher! Contact our Office Manager!

Coffee with the Pastor: Come grab a cuppa with Rev. Elissa and meet others who are newer to First Church!

SERVICE:

Silent Vigil for Racial Justice: All are invited to stand in solidarity for racial justice **July 7th from 11:30am-noon.**

Elmwood Shelter Snack Collection: The first Sunday of the month we collect individually packaged snacks (fruit ok!) to help the Elmwood Shelter community center feel more welcoming and inviting for guests. Drop-off box is in the library.

Friends at First work with our "Partners in Pastoral Care" – PIPC Team to provide rides, meals, and other services as needed. Email office@firstchurchburlington.org for details or if you or someone you know is in need of care.

Meals On Wheels: We deliver two Wednesdays a month, contact Al Weldon to learn more at alweldon@aol.com.

Small Potatoes: First Church hosts this weekly, community, free Saturday breakfast and bag lunch. Want to help make sandwiches? To learn more, contact Outreach Team Member, Reid Willis, frwillis@gmail.com.

The **Joint Urban Ministry Project (JUMP)** is open in person at First Church, Thursday and Friday mornings at 9am, providing hospitality and valued assistance to thousands of individuals each year. For more info: www.jumpvt.org

The FCCB Possibility Shop: Our thrift shop sells gently used, household items and clothing and is open **Wednesdays & Fridays 10am-3pm. Volunteers needed:** Call Karan Dewar 802-922-3821 or Brenda Frazer 802-862-4747.

Vermont Interfaith Action: We are currently partnering with VIA on issues of public safety, housing insecurity, addiction, and racial justice. To find out more, contact Louise Brewster at lrbrewster@gmail.com. There will be a party celebrating Executive Director Debbie Ingram’s retirement here at **First Church on Thursday, June 27th from 5-7:30pm.**

Teams and Committees: Want to find a way to get involved? To use your gifts in a meaningful fashion? Talk to Jamie Polli, President, Donal Dugan, Deacons co-Chair, or Elissa, about opportunities to serve. We really DO need you!

Pledges & Gifts of Self: Stewardship gifts are invited throughout the year! Stewardship info is available in the Office.

LEARNING AND CONNECTING:

Zoom Bible Study: You are invited to join Rev. Elissa Johnk’s **Thursday morning at 8:30am:** bit.ly/BibleStudy2024.

In-Person Bible Study: Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm you are invited to join Ava Bilton at First Church!

Fellowship Breakfast will meet at the waterfront on **Tuesday, June 18th at 7am.** Please email Baki Nelson, fn.info@icloud.com for more information and to participate.



Women’s Book Group is holding its annual potluck and book proposal gathering on **Monday, June 17th at 5:30pm.** To participate, contact Janice Clements at: janclem25@gmail.com.

Faith Formation Opportunities:

- We are *always* eager for volunteers to work with staff in our classrooms! Email Hilah to let us know you’re interested.
- Here with kids? Visit the **"Faith Formation Kiosk" in the midway prior to worship to sign in.**

Scan this QR Code to learn more about children and youth programming at First Church!

SUNDAY 6/9	9:30am – Youth Music Ensemble with Ava Bilton (Stone Room) 9:45am – Nursery care opens 10:00am – Jazz Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary 11:00am – Ice Cream Social!
Monday 6/10	6:00pm – Tai Chi: White Cloud Arts (Dining Room)
Tuesday 6/11	9:30am – Coffee & Hand Crafts (Cake Room) CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 5:15pm – Trustees Meeting (Conference Room)
Wednesday 6/12	10:00am – 3:00pm – CHURCH OFFICE HOURS + Possibility Shop Open 11:30am – Good Grief Group (Stone Room) 4:00pm – Worship Team Meeting (Library) 6:15pm – Bible Study with Ava Bilton (Library) 7:00pm – AA (Chapel)
Thursday 6/13	8:30am – Bible Study with Rev. Elissa Johnk (Zoom) 9:00am – JUMP Drop-In Center Open (Chapel) CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 4:30pm – Peace Camp Planning Meeting (Zoom)
Friday 6/14	9:00am – JUMP Drop-In Center Open (Chapel) 10:00am – 3:00pm – CHURCH OFFICE HOURS + Possibility Shop Open
Saturday 6/15	8:00am – Small Potatoes free community breakfast
SUNDAY 6/16	9:15am – Coffee with the Pastor 9:30am – Youth Music Ensemble with Ava Bilton (Stone Room) 9:45am – Nursery care opens 10:00am – Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary 11:00am – Fellowship in the Chapel with refreshments for all! 11:30am – Parents Mission Trip Meeting