



# ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Livestream  
Zoom Coffee Hour follows [HERE](#)

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## TRANSITION TO LOCALLIVE STREAMING FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP



After many technical hiccups, we have set up the sanctuary for streaming Sunday worship through LocalLive. This will allow for greater flexibility when people do return for in-person worship, as well as giving David Woods a break from managing the streaming that we have done the past 6 1/2 months. Thank you, David!

The pictures give you a sense of the Rube Goldberg approach to going live these past months. From now on, the livestreaming of all services will be managed remotely. No spotlights. No music stands. No wires. Integrity in worship in a space rich in simplicity.

On the following page, you can access information on the ways to contact to the 10 AM service.





## **ACCESSING ST. FRANCIS CHURCH LOCALLIVE LIVE STREAMS**

Starting on Sunday, October 4, 2020, we will be converting to LocalLive for our Sunday morning live streams of the 10:00 AM worship service.

There are several ways you can access the live stream:

- 1) From the “JOIN OUR SUNDAY LIVE STREAMED SERVICE “ link on the homepage St. Francis website at [StFrancisStamford.org](http://StFrancisStamford.org) You will find links to upcoming services, and in the future, links to our prior LocalLive services will be there as well.
- 2) A link that goes directly to the current week’s service will be included in Mark’s weekly St. Francis Life Together: Sunday Options email.
- 3) Shortly before 10:00 AM each Sunday, there will be a new post on the St. Francis Stamford Facebook page [www.facebook.com/StFrancisStamford/](http://www.facebook.com/StFrancisStamford/) that will include the direct link to the service. To continue the feeling of community that we have established by watching the Sunday morning service “together” we encourage you to use this method. You can open two browser windows on your PC, watch the service live stream in one window, and participate with “likes” and comments in the other window. This short video demonstrates how to do that on a Windows computer.

<https://bit.ly/2SaXt7E>

If that method does not work for you, you can also use two devices to watch the service and participate, for example, watch the service on your PC or iPad, and comment on the FaceBook post on your phone.



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## RALLY SUNDAY

9/13/20

## GET INVOLVED



### GETTING BACK INTO THE SWING OF THINGS

Thank you to all who participated in the Rally Sunday worship and Coffee Hour Zoom. We had a wonderful turnout and great invitations to participate from the various committee chairs. If you would like to see the brochure describing committees and the numerous opportunities to be involved at St. Francis, you can access it on our website

at: [stfrancisstamford.org/parishioners](http://stfrancisstamford.org/parishioners)

(The password is: stfrancis)

### Weekly Worship Rhythms

#### Tuesdays between 10AM and Noon

Private Prayer in the Church

[Sign up here](#)

#### Tuesdays @ 5:00 PM

Prayer Shawl Ministry

[Connect here](#)

#### Tuesdays @ 6:00 PM

Evening Meditation

[Connect here](#)

#### Thursdays @ 9:00 AM

Morning Prayer

[Connect here](#)

#### Thursdays between 2 PM and 4 PM

Private Prayer in the Historic Church

[Sign up here](#)

#### Fridays @ 11:00 AM

Zoom Sing-a-long

[Connect here](#)

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**ALTAR GUILD BREAKFAST**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3**  
**9:00 AM**

The Historic Church and New Church Altar Guilds will meet via Zoom on Saturday, October 3, at 9:00 AM for breakfast and a planning session for the upcoming year. If you have any questions, please contact Bezie Larned or Claudia Bilotti. You can connect to the meeting via Zoom [here](#).

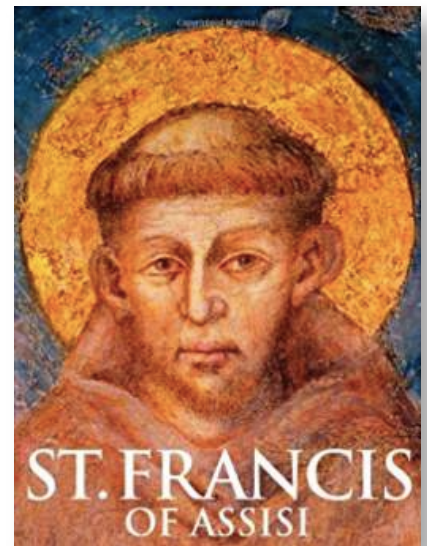
**FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS**  
**VIRTUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 @ 10:00AM**  
**AND DURING THE ZOOM COFFEE HOUR**

We continue with the blessing of the animals on the Feast Sunday of our Patron Saint, St. Francis of Assisi. This year we



will hold a virtual blessing during the 10:00 AM service, and we invite everyone to

jump on the coffee hour zoom for a special blessing for each pet. This is a difficult time, but it is always good to celebrate our furry friends who are so special to life’s journey. You can access the Coffee Hour Zoom [here](#).





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**EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT**  
 PARTICIPATING IN GOD’S MISSION

**236TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**OCTOBER 14-18, 2020**

This year the Convention will be virtual due to the Coronavirus pandemic. There will be reports of various committees, resolutions for the church in Connecticut, election of officers, and the approval of the ECCT budget. Some items and images below give you a flavor of the richness of the Church in Connecticut.



REPORTS

**Young Adult Task Force**



REPORTS

**Camp Washington**

REPORTS

**Hispanic Ministry Network**



REPORTS

**Racial Healing, Justice, & Reconciliation**



REPORTS

**Liturgy Commission**





Episcopal Church in Connecticut

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT CONVENTION WORSHIP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

You are invited to join with Episcopalians throughout the Episcopal Church in Connecticut for a Convention ending worship. The service will be streamed through Youtube. Bishop Laura Ahrens will preach and there will be wonderful music throughout the service. A link will be sent out ASAP. Please join us at 10 AM for the live service at St. Francis. You can worship with Connecticut Episcopalians later that day.

### PRIVATE PRAYER OPTIONS & HEALTH SCREENING FORM

While we are not holding in-person services at this time, we have scheduled times for private prayer in the Church (Tuesdays from 10 AM - Noon) and the Historic Church (Thursdays from 2 PM - 4 PM). You can sign up for a time [here](#). As a part of our emerging protocols, we need all who participate in the private prayer option to fill out a [Health Screening Form](#) before coming onto campus. Also, we ask that anyone coming onto the St. Francis campus for any reason fill out the [Health Screening Form](#).





**Prayer  
Shawl**  
ministry

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY DATES

**Tuesday, October 6**  
**Tuesday, October 13**  
**Tuesday, October 20**  
**Tuesday, October 27**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry group continues to meet weekly on Tuesdays at 5:00 PM during the pandemic.

You can connect to the group [here](#).

## MONTHLY SERVICES FOR PETS AND THEIR PEOPLE

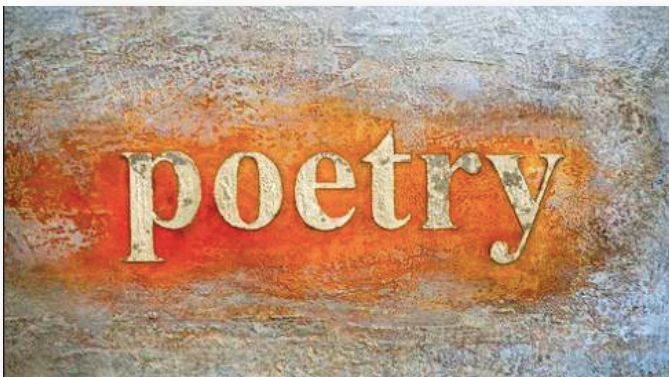


**October 18**  
**November 15**  
**December 20**

## POETRY ZOOM READINGS

We gather via Zoom on the following Mondays for an open evening of reading poetry. We are led by poets Ralph Nazareth and Ed Happ.

Monday, November 9  
Monday, January 11  
Monday, March 8  
Monday, May 10  
Join us [here](#).

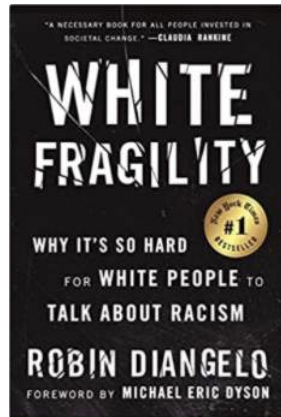




# Book Club for 2020 - 2021

**November 1**

*White Fragility*



**Sundays in**

**Advent**

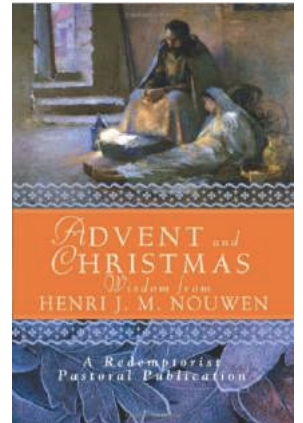
**Nov. 29**

**Dec. 6**

**Dec. 13**

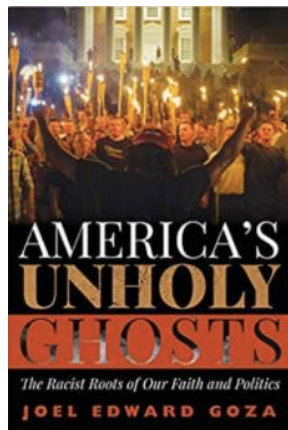
*Advent &*

*Christmas: Wisdom from Henri Nouwen*



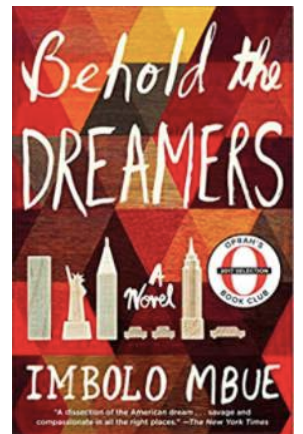
**January 31**

*America's  
Unholy Ghosts*



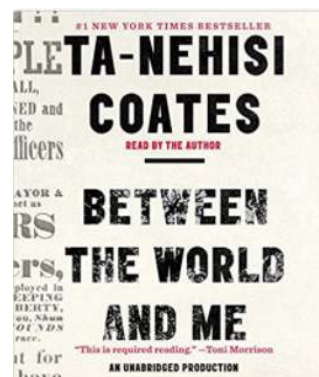
**April 25**

*Behold the  
Dreamers*



**June 13**

*Between the  
World and Me*







# ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## Adult Forum

**First and Third Tuesdays of Each Month**

**7:00 - 8:00 PM**

This year we will partner with St. John's Lutheran in providing educational opportunities for both churches.

The link to the zoom meetings is [here](#).

**October 6**

Inni Kaur, Guru Tegh Bahudar Ji Foudation (Sikh Tradition)

**October 20**

Joan Carty, President and CEO of the Housing Development Fund

**November 3**

Book Study: [White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism](#),  
Robin Diangelo

**November 17**

Imam Ashraf Nassar, Islamic Cultural Center of New York, Stamford

**December 1**

Rev. Dr. Michael Christie, Union Baptist Church & Prison Chaplain

**December 15**

Rafael Pagan, Ex. Director of Pacific House & Chair of Open Doors Fairfield Cty

**January 5**

Ben Wade, Stamford Hospital

**January 19**

Book Study: [America's Unholy Ghosts: The Racist Roots of Our Faith and Politics](#),  
Joel Edward Goza

**February 2**

Guy Fortt, President of the Stamford NAACP

**February 16**

Vanessa Avery, Sharing Sacred Spaces, Interfaith lecturer at Yale

**March 2**

Cantor Jill Abramson, Congregation Shir Ami



**THANKSGIVING SERVICE**  
**THURSDAY,**  
**NOVEMBER 26**  
**10:00 AM**

We will offer a virtual Thanksgiving Service this year. More information will be coming. Save the date, and join us at 10:00 AM to begin your Thanksgiving observance.

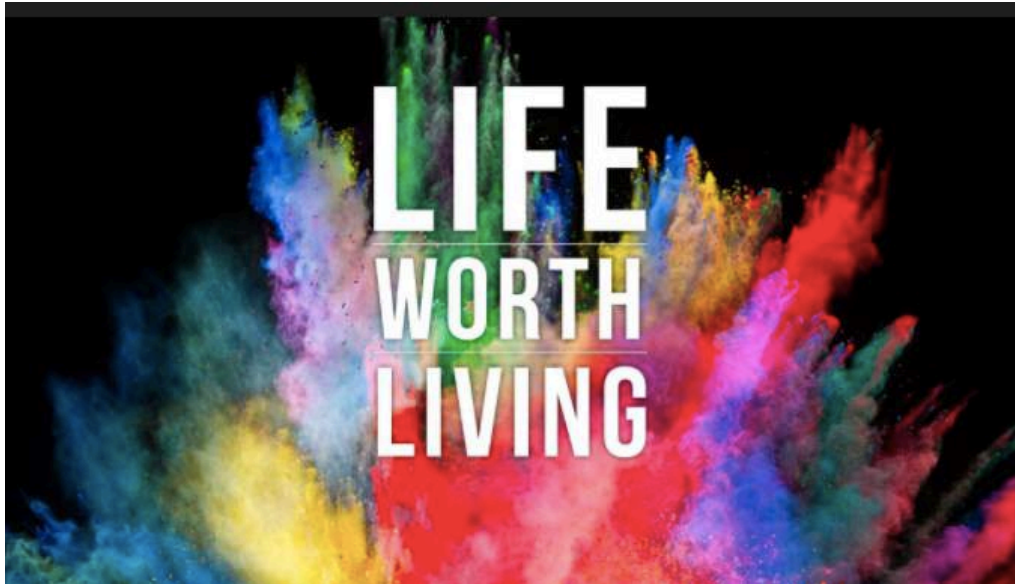


**WORLD AIDS DAY**  
**SERVICE**  
**Tuesday, December 1**  
**7:00 PM**

Access to worship TBD



**HOMELESS PERSONS**  
**MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
**Monday, December 21**  
**6:30 PM**  
Access to worship: TBD



**MIDWINTER  
INTERFAITH  
THEOLOGICAL  
STUDY**

***WHAT IS THE LIFE WORTH LIVING?  
AN EXPLORATION OF RELIGIOUS RESPONSES***

**Thursday, January 21**

St. John’s Lutheran  
The Rev. Duane Pederson

**Thursday, January 28**

Temple Beth-El  
Rabbi Joshua Hammerman

**Thursday, February 4**

Imam Kareem Adeeb

**Thursday, February 11**

Church of the Archangels  
Father Harry Pappas





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The following came in a while ago, but it is a wonderful reminder of the great work of the Miles for a Mission Road Race this past summer! Thank you all!!



August 10, 2020

St. Francis Episcopal Church  
2810 Long Ridge Rd  
Stamford, CT 06903-1122

Dear St. Francis Episcopal Church,

Thank you very much for your generous donation supporting the work of the Equal Justice Initiative.

Your support is crucial to the success of our efforts to end mass incarceration and excessive punishment in the United States, to challenge racial and economic injustice, and to protect basic human rights for the most vulnerable people in American society.

Your gift will be earmarked for wherever it is needed most.

With so much important work ahead, we are energized by your commitment to EJI and are grateful that you choose to stand with us. Your partnership makes our work possible.

With warm regards,

Bryan Stevenson  
Executive Director

# OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>2</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Music Sing-a-long	<b>3</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Altar Guild Meeting
<b>4 Observe the Feast of St. Francis</b>  <b>10 AM</b> Worship Blessing of the Animals at 10 <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour with Blessing of the Animals	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation <b>7:00 PM</b> Adult Forum: Inni Kaur, Guru Tegh Bahudar Ji Foudation	<b>7</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call	<b>8</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>9</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Music Sing-a-long	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour. <b>11:00 AM</b> Finance Committee	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation	<b>14</b> <b>Episcopal Church in CT Convention</b>	<b>15</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer <b>Episcopal Church in CT Convention</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Episcopal Church in CT Convention</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Episcopal Church in CT Convention</b>
<b>18</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour.  <b>Episcopal Church in CT Convention</b>  <b>4:00 PM</b> Service for Pets & Their People	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation <b>7:00 PM</b> Adult Forum: Joan Carty, President and CEO of the Housing Development Fund	<b>21</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call <b>Noon</b> Stamford Clergy Meeting <b>6:00 PM</b> Vestry	<b>22</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer <b>5:30 PM</b> Sharing Sacred Spaces: Satya Sai Baba	<b>23</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Music Sing-a-long	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> <b>10AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour.	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation	<b>28</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call	<b>29</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>30</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Music Sing-a-long	<b>31</b> <b>Halloween</b>

# NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 All Saints Sunday</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour. <b>11:00 AM</b> Book Club: <i>White Fragility</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 Election Day</b> <b>VOTE!</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation <b>7:00 PM</b> Adult Forum: Book Discussion <i>White Fragility</i>	<b>4</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call	<b>5</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>6</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Zoom Sing-a-long	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour.	<b>9</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Poetry Zoom Meeting	<b>10 5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation	<b>11</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call	<b>12</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>13</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Zoom Sing-a-long	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour. <b>4:00 PM</b> Service for Pets & Their People	<b>16</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Zoom Cottage Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Poetry Zoom	<b>17</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation <b>7:00 PM</b> Adult Forum: Imam Ashraf Nassar, Islamic Cultural Center of New York, Stamford	<b>18</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call <b>Noon</b> Stamford Clergy Meeting <b>6:00 PM</b> Vestry	<b>19</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Morning Prayer	<b>20</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Zoom Sing-a-long	<b>21</b>
<b>22 Christ the King Sunday</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry <b>6:00 PM</b> Evening Meditation	<b>25</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> ECCT Zoom Call	<b>26 Thanksgiving Day</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Thanksgiving Service	<b>27</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Zoom Sing-a-long	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <b>10 AM</b> Worship <b>10:45 AM</b> Zoom Coffee Hour.	<b>30</b>					



# UPCOMING EVENTS ~ PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3</b>	9:00 AM	ALTAR GUILD BREAKFAST
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4</b>	10:00 AM	FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS WORSHIP
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4</b>	10:45 AM	FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS COFFEE HOUR
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6</b>	5:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6</b>	6:00 PM	EVENING MEDITATION
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6</b>	7:00 PM	ADULT FORUM: INNI KAUR DISCUSSES SIKHISM
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8</b>	9:00 AM	MORNING PRAYER
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9</b>	11:00 AM	ZOOM SING A LONG
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11</b>	10:00 AM	WORSHIP
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11</b>	10:45 AM	ZOOM COFFEE HOUR
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11</b>	11:00 AM	FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13</b>	5:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13</b>	6:00 PM	EVENING MEDITATION
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 - 18</b>		EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CT ANNUAL CONVENTION
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15</b>	9:00 AM	MORNING PRAYER
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18</b>	10:00 AM	WORSHIP
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18</b>	10:45 AM	ZOOM COFFEE HOUR
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18</b>	4:00 PM	SERVICE FOR PETS AND THEIR PEOPLE
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20</b>	5:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20</b>	6:00 PM	EVENING MEDITATION
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20</b>	7:00 PM	ADULT FORUM: JOAN CARTY, PRESIDENT & CEO OF THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21</b>	NOON	STAMFORD CLERGY MEETING
<b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21</b>	6:00 PM	VESTRY MEETING
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22</b>	9:00 AM	MORNING PRAYER
<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22</b>	5:30 PM	SHARING SACRED SPACES: SATYA SAI BABA
<b>FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23</b>	11:00 AM	ZOOM SING ALONG
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25</b>	10:00 AM	WORSHIP
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25</b>	10:45 AM	ZOOM COFFEE HOUR
<b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27</b>	5:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY