

Upcoming Events for the Christian Community in Maine in 2010

Please mark you calendars:

Epiphany: January 22-23 , 2010 (Jan 29-30 for snow date)

Ascension: May 12-15, 2010 with Ascension Service
on Thur. May 13

Michaelmas: October 15-16, 2010

For further info contact Pat Chanterelle at 207 846-0587

(see following pages)

Michaelmas 2009

Dear Friends of the Christian Community in Maine:

Our annual **observance of Michaelmas** will commence with the arrival of the Reverend Julia Polter on **Thursday, October 15**. She will be here through **Saturday, October 17**, and her visit will occasion the following events:

On **Friday, October 16**, from 5-6 p.m., there will be A CHILDREN'S MICHAEL FESTIVAL, conducted by Reverend Polter.

Afterwards, at 7 p.m., there will be a Gospel Study, looking at the 12th Chapter of the Apocalypse, which is about Michael's fight with the dragon.

A Close of Day Service will follow at 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday, October 17, at 9 a.m., there will be a Service for the Children, ages 7 through 13. Parents and adults are also encouraged to attend, lending their support to the children participating in this service.

At 9:30 a.m., The Act of Consecration of Man will be held. All who are nine years or older are welcome at this service.

At 10:30 A.M., there will be short **refreshment break**.

If you are able, please contribute a **potluck dish** for all of us to enjoy.

At 11 a.m., the conference will continue with a discussion of the theme of THE TWO SPIRITUAL FORCES OF OUR TIMES, MICHAEL AND AHRIMAN, and how we experience them.

From 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., we will have a discussion about our group here in Maine and our plans for the future.

Julia will be available for **consultations** on Thursday, October 15, in the evening., and on Friday, October 16, during the day. Please call her to make an appointment at 617-522-2972.

Julia will be staying with Barbara Guffin, who has generously offered her welcoming home again as lodging. Many thanks to Barbara for her continued support of our community.

Please contribute generously to The Christian Community of Boston, of which we are a branch, and also to our own local fund. Thank you! As usual, a small selection of books will be available at the conference for purchase.

For any one interested in reading homilies written by the Christian Community priests, there is a website available: www.thechristiancommunity.org.

Children who will be attending 8th grade this Fall have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Easter time 2010. Please contact Rev. Polter if you are interested in having your child confirmed. The preparation classes will start in September with a short weekend retreat for the young people.

All events will be held at Cordelia Lane's New Elm Farm, 27 Lambert Rd., Freeport, Maine. (Telephone 865-4019).

Directions: From Rt. 295 heading north, take exit 20 (formerly exit 19). Turn right at the end of the exit ramp. From Rt. 295 heading south, turn left at the end of the exit ramp. At the traffic light, turn right onto Route 1 South. Follow this to the "Big Indian" on the left (you can't miss it !) and turn left onto the South Freeport Road. Take the second right onto Lambert Road. Proceed about a half-mile and watch for the black mailbox #27 on the left and a sign for New Elm Farm. Follow the driveway (bearing right) down to the house. The entrance is by an outer staircase on the left side of the building. (Please be aware that the mailbox numbers are out of sequence.)

Please call Pat Chanterelle (846-0587), Stephen Hopkins (846-3785), Sarah Hyde (865-0770), or Kristin (829-8451) with questions.

Pat Chanterelle,
On behalf of the Planning Committee.