



## *Welcome to the Vermont Conference E-Events August 3, 2017*

### **Greetings!**

The Vermont Conference sends this newsletter of events of interest to Conference members. This newsletter provides highlights of events sponsored by the Conference, the Associations and local churches as well as regional, national and other events of interest.

This newsletter is emailed on the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month. Please send us your events by emailing [vtconference@vtcucc.org](mailto:vtconference@vtcucc.org) with the following information: Event Name & Brief Description, Date/Time, Location (complete address please), Contact Information, if any (name, phone and/or email).

### **Association Events Events and Meetings**

### **Fall Vitality Event 2017**

[Save the Date for the Vermont Conference, UCC and Partners for Sacred Places presents: Fall Vitality Event 2017](#)

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The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is offering a training session to community clergy that brings awareness, resources, and tools designed to

## support veterans!

The training is presented by certified VA Chaplains, that support the Community Clergy Training Program, through the VHA Office of Rural Health. This is a first of its kind for VT offered by the VA. The training is designed specifically for clergy, with that said I know everyone is busy, we will also take lay people or a rep from the church if the church leader is unavailable. We trained 65 in NH last week, lets top that number in VT.

Lunch is all set for the first day of training sponsored by Saint Michael's college. We are looking for a community member to sponsor lunch in Randolph and Brattleboro. Please let me know if someone is interested?

Please see the attached flyer and distribute it to your local communities and groups. Lets start getting clergy signed up! In order for the event to be successful we need to network, network, NETWORK! I also found it beneficial to [print up a few flyers](#) and put them up in communities or on church doors in my travels!

I will send bi-weekly updates on numbers registered and will work with the host churches as we get closer to the event.

If you have any questions please ask.

Thank you for your support and to our host churches.

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## Events at Churches Education, Dinners, Concerts, More

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Community Supper  
Every Friday, 6 pm at the United Church of South Royalton



COMMUNITY DINNER

Essex Eats Out Community Dinners Continue... 1st Friday of Every  
Month

[www.essexeatsoout.org](http://www.essexeatsoout.org)

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## Film Screening & Discussion

Wednesday, August 9, 7:00pm



Free showing in Parish House sponsored by the Missions Committee.

This fascinating documentary by James Redford, explores and explains how toxic stress during childhood impacts lifelong health. More importantly, we learn what can be done to mitigate the damage and build resilience for lifelong health and recovery. For more information contact Tim Noonan, [carnoonan@comcast.net](mailto:carnoonan@comcast.net)

The Old Meeting House  
1620 Center Road  
East Montpelier Center, Vt 05602

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## Summer Pie-Looza Event at First Conversational Church of Berlin

1808 Scott Hill Road, Berlin, VT  
Saturday, August 12th 2pm - 6pm

Enjoy a wide variety of homemade pies, cobblers, crisps and more topped with Ben & Jerry's ice cream \$5/serving. Quiche and savory pie pieces also \$5/serving. Whole pies will be available for purchase as well.



Come for pie but stay to walk our beautiful outdoor labyrinth, play lawn games, enjoy some live music and singing, and get your favorite clothing mended at our "15-minute Fix" table!

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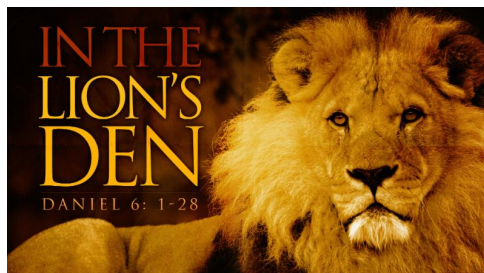
Wednesday, August 16 - Friday, August 18  
at the Federated Church of East Arlington  
each day from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Open to any child between the ages of going  
into Kindergarten this fall through entering 6th grade. The theme is "Fruits of the  
Spirit" with stories, crafts, games, and snacks. Phone 802-375-2548 to register.

Sunday, August 20 at 4:00 p.m.  
Elisabeth Von Trapp Concert at the Federated Church of East Arlington. A free will  
offering will be gathered. Phone 802-375-2548 for additional information.



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**Musical Drama Camp at FCC-Lebanon!**

Featuring Rescue in the Night (The Story of Daniel in the Lion's Den)  
Monday-Friday, August 21-25, 1-4 pm daily  
Performance and Family Cookout, Friday at 5:00



FCC-Lebanon is bringing back its wildly successful and fun summer musical camp!  
Join us for a week exploring the exciting story of Daniel in the Lion's Den. Kids will

learn about this curious Biblical personality, enjoy games and activities, and prepare the musical Rescue in the Night (T. Long/A. Pote)-which they will perform at the end of the week! This wonderful program will be led by Jo Shelnutt, Marcia Corkins, and Henry Danaher.

All children ages 6-12 are invited to participate, and campers needn't be members of our congregation-they just have to be ready to have a great time!

There is no cost; free-will donations to support the church's education ministry are welcome. To register your children, please contact the church office.

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OCWM (Our Church's Wider Mission) contribution to the Vermont Conference makes this email newsletter and the numerous programs available to you and your church. The "Friends of the Conference" helps as well.

Perhaps you would be a Friend of the Conference. Have you considered remembering the Vermont Conference in your will? You could leave a lasting legacy which would support the good works of the Conference and our churches. Be in touch with me for the best way for that.

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Vermont Conference, UCC

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Event items are due that day, by 9:00 am.**



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