

# LONG\*WEEKEND

## Center Church America 250 Events

**\*\*Denotes America 250 CT or City of Hartford Official Events**



**June 23, 7PM**

**Historical Context & Event Preview for Opera CT's America 250 Commemorative Concert**

*Liberty Christian Center International*

*23 Vine Street, Hartford*

**June 28, 12 PM**

**Deaf History at Center Church, presented by Kim Silva**

*Center Church House*

*60 Gold Street, Hartford*

**June 30, 6 PM - 8 PM**

**Opening Night of Center Church's America 250 Exhibits**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse*

*675 Main Street, Hartford*

- Rev. Joel Hawes & A Changing America
- Historic Restoration and Preservation of Center Church's Historic Meetinghouse
- Center Church & America 250

**July 1, 12 PM - 4 PM- Opening Ceremonies;**

**"Honoring the Spirit of Colt: A Monumental Restoration"**

*Colt Park*

*106 Wethersfield Avenue, Hartford*



**July 1, 11 AM to 1 PM**

**Meetinghouse open for Tours**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse*

*675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 1, 12 PM**

***Sermons & Lectures for Collective Liberation: “The Tendencies of the Age,” by the Rev. Joel Hawes; ft. a special video presentation by Dr. Andrew Gardner on the sermon***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 1 - 6-8 PM - Long Weekend Kickoff Concert**



*Mortenson Riverfront Plaza  
300 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford*

**July 2, 11 AM to 1 PM**

**Meetinghouse open for Tours**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 2, 12 PM**

***Sermons & Lectures for Collective Liberation: “A Two Year’s Absence,” by the Rev. J. W. C. Pennington; ft. members of Faith Congregational Church***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 2, 5 PM- 8 PM**

***First Thursdays at the Wadsworth: Ice Cream and Independence***

*Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art  
600 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 3, 11 AM to 1 PM**

**Meetinghouse open for Tours**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 3, 12 PM**

***Sermons & Lectures for Collective Liberation: “Conscience and Law, A Discussion of Our Comparative Responsibility to Human and Divine Government,” by Rev. Wm. W. Patton***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 4 - 10AM-11AM - Reading of the Declaration of Independence**

*Connecticut State Capital  
210 Capital Avenue, Hartford*



**July 4, 11 AM to 1 PM**

**Meetinghouse open for Tours**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 4 - 12PM-10PM - Hartford Bonanza @ Bushnell Park**



**July 4 - 7:30 - 10PM - HSO Performs at Hartford Bonanza  
(Fireworks at 10PM)**



**July 4, 12 PM**

***Sermons & Lectures for Collective Liberation: "What is the Fourth of July to a Negro?" (a community reading) by Frederick Douglass***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 4, 2:50 PM**

***"Let Freedom Ring," Bells for Liberty***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse Portico  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 5, 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM**

**Meetinghouse open for Tours**

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 5, 12 PM - 4 PM**

**America's Potluck: A Free Community Meal**

*On the Sidewalk and Lawn adjacent to the Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*



**July 5, 12 PM**

***Sermons & Lectures for Collective Liberation: “A Memorial Discourse on Slavery (Let Slavery Die)” by the Rev. Henry Highland Garnet***

*Center Church Historic Meetinghouse  
675 Main Street, Hartford*

**July 5, 4 PM**

***An America 250 Commemorative Concert: Hartford Then and Now; when Abolitionists hosted the World’s Biggest Star***

*The Artist’s Collective  
1200 Albany Avenue, Hartford*



**July 12, 11:30 AM**

***Center Church Private Tour: Framing American Democracy***

*The Wadsworth Atheneum  
600 Main St., Hartford*