

PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND THANKGIVINGS

St. George's Episcopal Church
Clifton Park, New York
The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2009

LET US PRAY for the special needs and concerns of:

Ed	Al	Jim	Carol	John	Betsy	Marion
Alison	Matthew	Andrew	Edythe	Bob	Grant	Eileen
Mark	Connie	Curt	Ben	Amy	Dale	Victoria
Brandon	Charles	Tom	George	Holly	Debbie	Sue
Constance	Julianne	Sally	Eugene	Jeff	Nikii	Sarah
AnnMarie	Kassie	Helen	Paul	Calvin	Rachel	Chuck
Christine	Sophia	Bill	Chelsea	Lana	Ruth	Claude
Fr. Hap	Mia	Mary	Charlie	Robin	Larry	Danielle
Judy	Nancy	Donald				

LET US PRAY for peace to prevail on earth. We pray for an end to the violence in the Middle East and for safety and protection for our military, especially Max Backle, Richard Bailey, Morgan Brooks, Kurt Cheeseman, James DiDonna, Jenna Ferlacan, Brian Frasier Jr., Mario Guadron, Randall Hill, James Lessard, Arthur McCoy, Heather McCrea, Mark Mehringer, Jimmy Monahan, Timothy Sasina, Kyle Wagoner, and Matt Watson.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we give thanks for Freedom in the US and for all members of the Armed Forces, and also for St. Luke's in Saranac Lake, and the Rev'd Ann Gaillard and the Rev'd Julianna Caguiat.

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for Phulbani, (North India) and their bishop, The Rt. Rev'd Bijay Kumar Nayak.

LET US PRAY for guidance for our Stephen Ministers and for healing for their care receivers

Welcome to St. George's on Saturday and to Prince of Peace on Sunday! We are delighted that you have come. If you are visiting, please sign our guest book. If you would like to join the parish or have a question, please fill out a Voice From The Pew and leave it in the Offertory plate or with an usher. We hope that all will feel welcomed and come regularly to our church and invite you to come back next week and worship with us and then join us at coffee hour in Hatlee Hall after the 8:00 & 9:30 services.

The time before the service is for prayer, please maintain prayerful silence in the Sanctuary prior to the service.

Disciples Making Disciples

Our Mission Statement:

St. George's is a family of disciples joyfully reaching out in love to nurture, teach and heal in Jesus' Name.

Thank you to Prince of Peace for hosting the Sunday Services on July 5th. We look forward to all of you joining us Labor Day weekend for services.

Our services are on Saturdays at 4:30 and Sundays at 8am & 9:30am.

_____ *in the name of the congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.*

Congregation responds: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

THINGS THAT ARE HELPFUL TO KNOW...

Nursery Care - 9:30 a.m. service - The nursery is next to the chapel.

Sunday School - Will start again in September. We will have Joyful Journey when there is no Children's Sermon. **Joyful Journey** for children pre-school thru 3rd grade during the service –follow the banner!

Receiving Communion - We invite all baptized persons, regardless of age or denomination, to share in Holy Communion. Gluten free hosts are available, just ask the priest.

You may receive the consecrated wine by taking a sip from the common cup or by holding the host in the palm of your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the cup and then place on your tongue. If you have not been baptized, we invite you to come forward with the community for a blessing. Indicate that you seek this blessing to the ministers of communion by crossing your arms across your chest.

After the service, we invite you to speak to the clergy about the new work of faith begun in you and about the process of being baptized into the community of Christ's disciples and living out your faith.

Prayers For Healing - Individual prayers of healing and anointing are offered immediately after Communion at the 4:30 service and during the Offertory at the 8:00 service (at the altar) , and during Communion at the 9:30 service at the Healing Stations (on either side of the sanctuary next to the columns with the crosses on them)

Prayers of the People - It is appropriate to add names for prayers (just quietly say the name) at the short silence after each section is read.

Visually Impaired/Hearing Impaired - Large-print copies of the Eucharist and equipment to assist the hearing impaired are available from the ushers.

Bathrooms - are located off the narthex, in Hatlee Hall, and at the end of the hall in the Randles Wing.

Ministers: The Congregation

Rector: The Rev. John W. Henry II, email rectorstgeorge@csdsl.net

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Curate: The Rev. Laurie Garramone-Rohr, email RevLMGR@gmail.com

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Parish Office: 371-6351 email stgeorge@csdsl.net

Organist: Dan Persico (Home: 459-2109) or javas661@verizon.net

Visit us at: <http://www.cliftonpark.org/stgeorges/>

LET US PRAY for those celebrating birthdays:

Sun: Emily Bailey, Justin Dowd, Carol Sexton

Mon: Jeanne Nuss

Tues: Andrew Odell, Scott Paton

Wed: Zachary Conrad, Connor Feeny

Thurs: Callum Glasier, Dillon Harding, Jeanette Hixon

Fri: Doris Guadron, Barbara Hartman, Harold Kelly, Allen Nuss

Sat: Les Nickerson

LET US PRAY for those celebrating anniversaries:

Mon: Rebecca & Sean Feeny, Colleen & Steven Kinley, Jean & Jim Nightingale

Wed: Kelly & Jan Moen, Tina & Tim Rischbieter

Thurs: Cathy & Doug Fare

Fri: Lorraine & Mark Simpkins

Sat: Mary & Jerry D'Amelia

LET US PRAY for the repose of the soul of Dennis Bailey, the father of Brian Bailey, who died on June 23rd.

LET US PRAY for the repose of the soul of Roy Wilcox, the father of Bob Wilcox, who died June 21st.

LET US PRAY for the repose of the soul of John Jurusik, the brother of Marge Bates, who died on June 6th.

LET US GIVE THANKS for the birth of Jason MacKenzie Collins, the son of Mean and Kevin Collins, who was born June 25th.

LET US GIVE THANKS for the birth of Roland Oliver Knight, the grandson of Barbara and Tad Knight, who was born on June 16th

THANK YOU to Herman Sabourin, who has been weeding and trimming the gardens along the front of the church. It looks wonderful!

ALTAR BREAD Many thanks to Joe Palko who will take over the scheduling of bakers for our communion bread in September. If you would like to join our baking team, please contact Joe (palko64@verizon.net), or the church office.

BEAVER CROSS Applications are available on the table in the Narthex or in the parish office. There are scholarships available. The application form lists the dates and the age group for each session. To apply for the scholarship, fill out an application, attach a check for the amount you can afford and return to the parish office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time to help out with our VBS program this year - adult and youth leaders, & our kitchen helpers. A special thanks Kelly Moen & Judith Glasier who organized this event! Thank you also to everyone who donated supplies to help keep the cost of the program affordable.

If you were lucky enough to stop by and see how much fun the kids were having, you would know just how great VBS was this year. We had lots of “happy campers” And none of this would have happened without the following helpers:

St. George’s Youth: Ashley Chambers, Eden Pirog, Jaimee Dorsey,
Patti, Jen & Becca Pollard, Peter & Tom Bee, Connor Glasier,
Natalie Landau, Tyler Olney, and Joel DiPersio.

And of course our adult helpers: Abby Bee, Jen Andrus, Amy Vargo, Martha Underhill, Lynne Olney, Barbara Hinrichs, Doris Giannantonio, Colette Syvertsen and Mtr. Laurie.

A special thanks to Jan Moen for the benches he made out back for story time.

And a thank you also to all our volunteers from Prince of Peace !!

We could not have done it without you!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED Would you like to help team teach Sunday School? We still need a Sunday School Teacher for PreK. Please let Kelly Moen or Lynne Olney know if you would like to help us out next year.

NURSERY HELP NEEDED Could you spare an hour during church every 6-8 weeks to watch our youngest parishioners? The nursery is staffed every Sunday during the 9:30 am service by an adult and teen helpers. We need 3 more adults to add to our rotation. You would be scheduled once every two months. We serve children ages infant to three years old in the nursery off of the narthex. Moms or Dads, grandparents, young singles, all are welcome to volunteer! Please contact Jen Andrus at jenandrus73@aol.com.

MEN’S CHOIR: Do you like to sing in the shower? Then you will like to sing in a Men’s Choir at St. George’s This is a hearty invitation for all men in the parish to sing at a one-time event on Sunday, July 12th at the 9:30 liturgy. There will be only one rehearsal on July 9th at 7:30 pm in the Choir Room.
Let’s see how many St. George’s men it takes to create a big “Glee Club” sound. Better yet, let’s see how many St. George’s men can make a joyful sound unto the Lord!

LOOKING AHEAD Bev Ross is looking for someone to assist her in getting ready for the September rummage sale, with an eye toward taking it over in the future. If you are interested, please call the church office at 371-6351.

Welcome to St. George’s Episcopal Church. An experience common to all God’s messengers in the Bible was the rejection of their ministry and message by their own people. In today’s reading from Mark, we hear of Jesus’ being rejected in his home synagogue, in which he quotes the old saying about prophets among their own people.

Our reading from 2 Corinthians is the conclusion of this letter, in which, having been rejected by some of those in the Corinthian church, and having been provoked to boast of his courage and ministry, Paul then ascribes whatever virtue or success he has had to God’s working in him.

As we gather in liturgy, we remember that we are a part of that people whose story is the continuation of the biblical story. That story recalls not only our faithfulness, but also our rebellion. Above all, however, it recalls the fact that even at our worst, God has nevertheless remained faithful to us and continues to call us as into ministry and witness in the world. Will we respond at our best or at our worst? Will we reject the call or will we accept it?

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The Collect for Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

There will not be any Fair Trade Coffee Sales in July. See you in August!

OFFERING ENVELOPES for use July 5th through December 2010 are ready to be picked up in the Narthex. Please be sure to pick up the packet with your name on so you will be given credit for any contributions you make.

LIBRARY CURTAINS If you took the curtains home to wash, please bring them back.