

PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND THANKGIVINGS

LET US PRAY for the special needs and concerns of:

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| Ed | Al | Jim | Doris | Janet | Larry | Nancy |
| Alison | Matthew | Andrew | Ben | Bob | Ruth | Jane |
| Mark | Jeanne | Bill | Eugene | Amy | Milton | Linda |
| Brandon | Charles | Tom | Steven | Holly | Richard | Luke |
| Constance | Julianne | Maria | Chelsea | Jeff | Walter | Katie |
| AnnMarie | Joan | George | Paul | Naomi | Rachel | Riley |
| Laurie Jean | Karin | Gail | Sandra | Polly | Zeb | Marge |
| Michele | Tommy | Sandee | Dorothy | Theresa | Debbie | Haley |
| Mary & Donald | McGraw Family | Priscilla & John | Connie | Michael | Colin & Amy | |

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, Damian Felton, Devin Felton, Jenna Ferlacan, Brian Frasier Jr., George, (4th tour in Iraq), Mario Guadron, Randall Hill, Michael Kenney, James Lessard, Arthur McCoy, Heather McCrea, Mark Mehringer, Jimmy Monahan, Richard Rogers, Timothy Sasina, Kyle Wagoner (in Afghanistan), and Matt Watson. Pray also for the families and friends who are waiting for the safe return of their loved ones.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for Clergy Families and *for The Rev'd Thomas Malionek on his birthday.*

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines and The Rt Rev'd Edward Pacyaya Malecdan Prime Bishop elect of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

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

St. George's Episcopal Church
Clifton Park, New York
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 18, 2010

Welcome to St. George's! 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 welcome and come regularly to our church and invite you to come back next week and worship with us. Please join us at coffee hour in Hatlee Hall after the 8:00 & 9:30 services.

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.*

TODAY'S MUSIC

Opening Hymn 401
Psalm 15:1-7 (*Said together*)
Before the Gospel Hymn 488 vs. 1-2
After the Gospel Hymn 488 vs. 3
Congregation Communion Hymn 317
Closing Hymn 336

_____ *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.

INFORMATION THAT IS HELPFUL TO KNOW. . .

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

Sunday School - - Sunday School will start again on September 19th. We will continue to have Joyful Journey during the summer. **Joyful Journey** is for children pre-school thru 3rd grade & takes place during the service –follow the banner to Hatlee Hall!

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 during Communion at all services 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

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Services of Holy Eucharist are at 4:30pm Saturdays, 8 & 9:30am Sundays

Healing & Holy Eucharist Service 9:30am Wednesdays

LET US PRAY for those celebrating birthdays:

Sun: Noelle Olszewski

Tues: Trevor Bena, Megan Keyes, Leoneida Oliver

Wed: Kristyn Alheim, Gene Gordon, Steven Kinley, Carolyn Martin, Bob Roach

Fri: Dan Glaser

Sat: Richard Perry

LET US PRAY for those celebrating anniversaries:

Wed: Julie & Brian Bailey

Thurs: Lorelei Landau & Mark Fleahman

Sat: Mary & Thomas Golden

Do you love coffee hour? Of course you do. It is a great time to meet your fellow parishioners in a relaxed setting and catch up on the week's events while enjoying some delicious refreshments. Coffee hour is only possible due to the efforts of a few dedicated volunteers. Please consider joining our team of amateur baristas and bakers. For more information, please see/call/email Jeff Granger (371-3739, jgranger@mac.com) or belly up to the (coffee) bar and talk to the person in charge this week.

Operation Christmas Child In November the Daughters of the King will once again be collecting shoeboxes filled with treats for children around the world. With a lot of back to school sales going on now, you may want to stock up on some of the school supplies such as markers, little notebooks, crayons etc that the children love to receive.

St. George's School

We are still accepting applications for full day Kindergarten & 1st Grade for this fall.

Our **St. George's Preschool** is still accepting applications for 3 & 4 year olds for fall.

Mission Trip Info: Our youth will soon be joining with YouthWorks, Philadelphia, PA, July 25-30, 2010 for their Mission trip. Our group of 15 will be participating in this trip with groups from 2 other churches – 42 from Glen Cary Lutheran Church in Minnesota and 9 from Living Waters Lutheran Church in Illinois.

Please keep all who are going on the mission trip in your prayers:

Chaperones: Carly Dowd, Mark Fleahman, Cathy Pollard

Students: Livia Anese, Logan Barbour, Peter Bee, Chris Crocker,

Michael Danz, Justin Dowd, Natalie Landau, Tyler Olney, Becca Pollard Patty Pollard and Amanda Underhill

*** We still have one spot open . Talk to Fr. Henry if you are interested.**

On Sundays, following the 9:30 Eucharist, I invite you to join me in the parish library (air conditioned) for a brief 30-45 minute time of discussion and learning.

The Christian Faith holds many mysteries for people so I thought it would be a good idea to look at some of them. If you've ever wondered about some basics of the faith, ever heard a parable that didn't make sense, were ever curious about what some of the religious language used actually means, then these sessions could be for you.

Each session is self contained so you don't need to commit to all of them or worry about missing a session and losing connecting material. This is the first part of a series that could continue.

So, I invite you to join me in the parish library after the 9:30 Eucharist on the following Sundays to consider the following "mysteries" and hopefully gain a greater understanding of the faith. No registration or sign up is necessary. Come as you are. Bring any questions you have. Fr. Henry

July 18 The Mystery of the Incarnation: Who's watching the store?

July 25 The Mystery of Jesus' Resurrection: He's loose!

August 1 The Mystery of the Atonement: What did the Cross really do?

August 8 The Mystery of the Last Things: End... or Fulfillment?

August 15 The Mystery of Jesus as the Revelation of God: How did that happen?

August 22 The Mystery of the Holy Spirit: Truly...

August 29 The Mystery of the Suddenly Courageous Apostles: What kept you?

Economic Support from New York State If you have been affected by the current economic downturn, New York State has set up a website that offers quick, easy and confidential pre-screening for individuals to determine if they are eligible for help. The website is myBenefits.ny.gov By answering a simple set of online questions, New Yorkers can find out if they may qualify for supports such as nutritional assistance (food stamps, school meals), Earned Income Tax Credits, health insurance programs including Healthy NY, Family Health Plus, Child Health Plus, Medicaid and the Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance coverage (EPIC), Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) etc.

Welcome to St. George's Episcopal Church. We are reminded today that the term *liturgy* has two meanings: that referring to time as spent in Christ's presence, open to his word and Spirit, and that referring to time spent in service and ministry to others. If our lives in Christ do not express both of these activities, then we are failing to celebrate the liturgy—the work of the people of God—which is the mark of being a Christian.

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke gives priority to the time spent in Christ's presence. This is not to say that our work of ministry is unimportant or only secondary, but that it can only be done adequately and without anxiety if it is based on and finds its strength from our communion with our Lord.

The first reading today finds God coming to Abraham and Sarah to renew his promise to them of a child. Throughout the scriptures God is comes to people and, in living with them, fulfills the Covenant promise of love and salvation.

As we continue to read the Epistle to the Colossians, Paul tells us that the mystery which lies behind reality has been revealed in Christ. That mystery is the life which we share in Christ by virtue of his dying and rising.

In Baptism, we enter that life, and it becomes our life. It is in that sharing of Christ's life that we are empowered to minister and to pray as members of Christ's Body.

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With All Your Heart is the topic of the next Women's Bible Study. This is a Ray Vanderlaan video series that all women in the parish are invited to participate in. It will start Wednesday, July 21st at 10:30 AM in the parish library and be 6 weeks long.

Carpeting for the Upstairs Last fall we received a proposal for new carpeting in the upstairs classrooms for all the classrooms, stairs and hall way for \$3000. We would like to have new carpeting installed since what is up there now has been there for many years (original) and it has seen better days. If you would like to contribute to the Youth Carpeting Project, please make out a check to St. George's and write carpet in the memo.