

PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND THANKGIVINGS

LET US PRAY for the special needs and concerns of:

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	Maryellen	Katie
AnnMarie	Joan	George	Paul	Naomi	Rachel	Judy
Laurie Jean	Karin	Gail	Sandra	Polly	Zeb	Joe
Michele	Tommy	Sandee	John	Theresa	Debbie	Haley
Connie	Adam	Michael	Carl	Shirley	Jerry	Dorothy
Mary & Donald	Priscilla & John	Rupert & Eileen	Fran	Gaye		

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, Sierra Johnson, 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 Bishop William Love and for *The Rev'd Edward Fiebke on his birthday.*

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for The Episcopal Church of the Sudan and The Most Rev'd Daniel Deng Bul Yak Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of the Sudan & Bishop of Juba.

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 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 5, 2010**

**Welcome to St. George's!** We are delighted that you have come. **A very special welcome to our visitors from Prince of Peace who are joining us this weekend.** 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 366**

**Psalm 1:1-6 (Said together)**

**Before the Gospel Hymn 636**

**Congregation Communion Hymn 574**

**Closing Hymn 472**

\_\_\_\_\_ *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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Parish Office: 371-6351 email [stgeorge@csdsl.net](mailto:stgeorge@csdsl.net)

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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: Wayne Diesel, Linda Sagendorf

Mon: Brian Caney

Tues: Abby Bee, Ed Nalwasky

Wed: Karen Croce

Thurs: Nancy Jones

Fri: Patricia Ashline

**Let Us Pray** for those celebrating anniversaries:

Tues: Kathy & Dan McCrea

Thurs: Liz & Joe Cannistraci, Sandra & Geoffrey Rogers

Fri: Teddy & Guy Hoose

**Let us pray** for the repose of the soul of Walter Hilger, the husband of Ann Hilger and father of Alison Crocker, who died on July 30th.

**Let us pray** for the repose of the soul of Marilyn E. Stevens, the mother-in-law of Jean Stevens who died August 27th.

**Mission Teams** Our Diocese has a Missions Newsletter which we have posted on the Narthex bulletin board. Be sure to look for pictures of our deacons on page 4 & 5!

**Update on Carpeting for the Upstairs** The carpet has been ordered and is scheduled to be installed next week before the Sunday School year starts. We look forward to providing a clean, welcoming space for our youth! We have received some donations towards the cost, but it is not too late to donate, or promise to donate towards the carpet fund! This will include new carpeting for all the classrooms upstairs, the stairs and hall way. 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.

Blessing of St. George's School

Will take place at 2PM, starting in the sanctuary

On Sunday, September 12, 2010

All are invited to attend

**The St. George's Youth group** is having a bottle drive! Bring your bottles and cans to church, next Saturday, September 11, from 9am to noon. You can pull your vehicle right up to the front of the circle and drop off your bottles and cans. The proceeds from the bottle drive will support the St George's youth group and activities for the coming year. We will also collect bottles at the parish picnic on Sunday September 12th. If you attend the 4:30 or 8Am service and can not make it to either of the pick up times, there will be a donation area provided at that time. For more information, See Carly Dowd, Abby Bee or Lynne Olney.

**Someone(s) with Carpenter skills** needed to install windows in some solid core doors in the education wing to make our classrooms safe for the children who use them Please contact the parish office if you can help with one or more doors. 371-6351

#### **Need Readers and Ushers**

We are in need of readers and ushers at the 4:30 Saturday service and both the 8:00 and 9:30 Sunday services. Please let Heidi Bonacquist know if you are interested - [hbonacquist@yahoo.com](mailto:hbonacquist@yahoo.com)

**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](mailto:jgranger@mac.com)) or belly up to the (coffee) bar and talk to the person in charge this week.

**Stewardship** What is your gift to share? Sunday School teacher, Joyful Journey helper, nursery helper, coffee hour provider, acolyte, altar guild, reader, usher .... Please don't hesitate to share your gift with the rest of us.

**From Genesis To Revelation In One Day** Join us on Saturday, 18 September, from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm at The Cathedral of All Saints. The Rev. Dr. Peter Walker, a Biblical scholar from Oxford University, takes us through the Bible, book by book, in one day! He is a prolific author whose books include *The Jesus Way* and *In the Steps of Paul*. He has a special interest in the historical Jesus and issues associated with Jerusalem and the Middle East. Lunch will be provided, so please register soon. The Cost is \$10.00 and you can register by mailing a check made out to the Cathedral of All Saints with Bible in the memo line, or by calling the Cathedral Office at 465-1342 and using your credit card.

Welcome to St. George's Episcopal Church. The Gospel reading today is another of the passages from Jesus' teaching as he approached Jerusalem and his death. For weeks now we have been reminded of the call to discipleship and its cost. Today's reading describes that call, to bear the cross and to set aside all earthly concerns which would turn us away from faithfulness to Christ.

In Paul's brief letter to his friend Philemon, he describes the transformed quality of Christian people's relationships with others. Philemon's runaway slave, Onesimus, has become a Christian, and Paul instructs Philemon to receive him back as a brother in Christ. The work of Christ's Spirit in our lives places us in a new stance in which we are all brothers and sisters and children of the living God.

The first reading is from Moses' concluding instructions to the people of Israel before his death. He reminds them again of the commandments and calls on them to choose between obedience and life, on the one hand, and disobedience and death, on the other.

Each gathering to celebrate the Holy Eucharist challenges us to renewed commitment to the new life which God gives us. We find ourselves part of a family given us in Baptism. In company with our brothers and sisters, we respond by choosing life rather than death, and in union with our Savior, we take up our cross and join in pilgrimage toward the Resurrection.

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**Labor Day Weekend** We welcome the folks from Prince of Peace here at St. George's this weekend. Please stop by the coffee hour after the 8 & 9:30 services.

**Thank you** to Melissa Davis for providing the music today and filling in for Herb Fowler.

**Thank you** to Don Connors for fixing two doors for us this week. We love it when our parishioners step up and help us out with the handyman jobs!

**Thank you** to everyone who helped move chairs last Sunday.

**And a very special thank you to Jim Olney for getting the entire upstairs painted before the carpeting arrived. It looks fantastic!!!**

**The Annual Parish Picnic** will take place immediately following the 9:30 service on Sunday September 12th. It is a great time to welcome new members and reconnect with old ones. It is also Friendship Sunday, so please feel free to invite your friends to join the fun.



There are many ways in which you can help:

-Setting up the tents. This will be done the weekend before the picnic, so if you are going to be around during Labor Day weekend, we can use as many hands as possible (there are four large tents).

-Providing food, beverages, desserts. If you can't cook or simply don't have time, consider making a small cash donation to help pay for communal items (meat, rolls, plates, napkins, etc.) -Setting up tables and chairs. This will be done the day before/morning of the picnic, depending on the weather.

-Breakdown/cleanup. This will take place immediate after the picnic has concluded.

If you can help with any of these tasks, please contact Jeff Granger (371-3739, [jgranger@mac.com](mailto:jgranger@mac.com)) or Jon Vargo (371-4651, [vargousmc@yahoo.com](mailto:vargousmc@yahoo.com)). Even if you can't help, please attend and join in the fellowship!

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Please fill out and leave in the offering plate, the office or email and let us know.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ Appetizer \_\_\_\_\_ Entree \_\_\_\_\_ Dessert

\_\_\_\_\_ Whatever I can whip together Saturday night

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to make a contribution towards Meat/Rolls/Paper products, etc.  
(Please enclose in an envelope along with this slip)

**Women's Bible Study** will start a new book on Wednesday, September 15th at 10:30. The book is titled, *Paul, His Life and Teaching*. The books are available in the parish office for \$6.00 each. Please read the first chapter before the first class. All women are invited to join the group for the class. Bring a lunch for after class and enjoy some chatter and laughter with the other ladies.

**Disciple 2 Class** Starting on September 16th. They will meet every Thursday from 10 to 11:30am in the parish library. If you are interested in joining the class, there is a sign up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Books for the class are \$38. and are available in the parish office. A more detailed schedule will be distributed in class.

**Sunday School** Sunday School Registration will be held at the annual church picnic on Sunday September 12th. Look for our table, review the data we have on your pre-printed registration information for those of you who were with us last year, or complete a new registration, and that's it! Sunday School starts on September 19th.

We are still in need of several Sunday School teachers starting in September. We need one PreK, one 1st, two 2nd, and two 3rd grade teachers. Very little training involved, a love for the children of St. George's, and a commitment of 1-2 hours of your time (including the prep work) is all you need. If you are interested, please contact the church office, Lynne Olney or Kelly Moen and let us know.

**School Update:**

**It is not too late to register for the St. George's School or St. George's Pre-School!!**

The opening day is coming soon. We greet parents Wednesday afternoon, September 8 at 5:30 for dessert and orientation. Please join us if you can. All are welcome to stop by and see the new school classrooms and try one of the desserts!

The afterschool program is gathering speed: we have already signed up some wonderful mini courses for children in K-2 in topics as far ranging as Robots and Lego; Mandarin Chinese through songs, speaking and art; Learning about the Masters in Art through painting and looking; Science exploration along the Prayer Path; Vegetable critters crafting ; and more. **The after school program is open to all kids (K-2) in the Shenendehowa community.**

We are still seeking instructors for some of these topics: Sign Language; Creative movement; Yoga for Kids; Arts and Crafts; Fitness; Cooking; Drama.

If you know of someone who might like to teach one of these courses for four or five week sessions, once a week up to 5 times/week, please have them contact Phyllis at [paldrich@aol.com](mailto:paldrich@aol.com). Or call the office. 371-6351.