

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Collect for Independence Day-*book of Common Prayer*
Have a Safe and Happy Fourth of July

“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.”

Wardens Summer 2014 Letter

Well, summer has finally arrived, and the longest day of the year has come and gone. By the time you read this we will have gone to one service each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. We will also give the coffee hour providers a vacation, with no coffee hour **except for July 6**, following the Baptism of Kayla Elizabeth Gray & **July 20**, when The Rev. Deborah Tammearu will be with us.

We closed out the school year with Sunday School Recognition Day on June 22. **Nancy Lutz** presented gifts to both students and teachers alike. A huge thank you to all who participated during the year, enriching the lives of all of us at St. Paul's.



While on the subject of youth, we offer our congratulations and best wishes to **Ryan Caferra** and **Olivia Evans**, both of whom graduated from High School this year. Ryan will be going to the Rochester Institute of Technology in the fall, and Olivia will be at Adirondack College. We wish them lots of luck. Come back and tell us about it.



Sunday Services

Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Rite II with Hymns

The **Rural and Migrant** ministry is again asking for school supplies for children in their summer camp programs. Each participant will receive a kit with supplies for the fall, such as notebooks, glue, crayons etc. Check out the list of items on the sheets located in the vestibule of the church. Please bring any contributions to the church by August 3. We will make up the kits and deliver them to RMM the following week.

We have been busy keeping up our grounds. The gardens are weeded and mulched, thanks to our weeders, with a little help from **Andrew and Fred Glynn**. We have held Rectory visits so the congregation can see the results of a major renovation. Our appreciation goes out to **Donato Caferra and Rick Harris** for a huge amount of work over the last year and a half. **Bill Kirchner and Ken Towers** have assisted in painting, and Bill is painting the Rectory door as I write this. **Ellen Kutner** organized the landscaping along the front of the Rectory, which improves the outside enormously. Our new priest, whoever it may turn out to be, will have a really nice place to live.



Two additional projects are scheduled for this summer: a new church furnace (no more looking for the orange light to tell us the heat is off again) and new windows in the main room of the Parish Hall. Both projects should help with heating costs, and in the case of the Parish Hall, with improved ventilation in the summer.

As the lazy days of summer go by, don't forget that our **Chicken BBQ** and **Pleasant Valley Days** come right up in **September**. Do think about how you can help with either of these events. Contact Kay Mackey or Marilyn Kirchner about the BBQ and Rick Harris, Nancy Adams or Barbara Rawls for Pleasant Valley Days.



We wish you many blessings as you enjoy the summer months.
Debby Glynn, Warden.

Congratulations to one of our own

It is with great pride that the people of St. Paul's congratulate our Sexton **Linda Groce** on her graduation June 19, 2014 from the BOCES School of Practical Nursing. In addition she received awards for Highest Overall Average and Perfect Attendance as well as induction into the National Technical Honor Society. Congratulations on your amazing accomplishments and we wish you much success in the future.

Treasurers Report

Summer is here and many of you will take time for much needed vacations. St. Paul's depends on your continued support to pay for the costs of running the Parish and offering church services during the summer.

Semi-annual reports will go out to those who are pledging as required by the Diocese. You should receive it later in July. If you are not able to make an annual pledge of support but would like to use envelopes, please contact Marilyn Kirchner, treasurer. Just a reminder that by using envelopes, especially for cash donations, there is a record for you to use as charitable income tax deductions. You will receive an end-of-the-year statement showing what you have given.

Our annual Stewardship Drive will happen this fall but if you are a recent member of St. Paul's and would like to pledge or if you need to adjust your pledge for 2014, please contact Marilyn (635-3431).

SPECIAL NOTICE- On **July 6th** the **Baptism of Kayla Elizabeth Gray** will take place at the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. Come and welcome her into Christ's Body the Church. A coffee hour to greet Kayla and her family will follow.



Fall Fundraising Plans- Please mark your calendars and join us in helping with our fundraisers. You will find that they are also fun-raisers and provide fellowship and enjoyable events for the community. Plans are as follows. Sign up sheets for volunteers will be posted in the Parish Hall a few weeks before each event.

SEPT. 8- VESTRY MEETING

SEPT. 12, 13, 14- PLEASANT VALLEY WEEKEND- Sausage and Pepper Trailer at the Pleasant Valley Recreation Park. We will be selling tickets for the Mountain Bike Raffle. The winning ticket will be drawn near 6 p.m. Sunday Sept. 14th at the Trailer.

SEPT. 13th- "54th ANNUAL" CHICKEN BBQ- 4:30-7p.m. at the Parish Hall

NOV. 1st- PORK DINNER- 4:30-7 p.m.- at the Parish Hall

NOV. 15TH- CRAFT FAIR- St. Paul's Parish Hall- more information will be available in future newsletters.

ADAMS GIFT CARDS- This is an ongoing project that has become very successful thanks to our parishioners and friends who shop at Adams Fairacre Farms. Cards will be for sale following the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. See Sandy House or Debby Glynn.

OUR MISSIONS CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Food Pantry- This mission is even more important during the summer since school age children will not be receiving meals at school! Please contact Liz Whitman (845-464-3903) to learn about plans for improving this Christian service to our community. Please keep bringing your donations!

Thrift Shop- Another important mission to our area- especially in difficult economic times. We try to be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am. To 1 p.m. Volunteers to staff the shop are always welcome! It is easy and enjoyable. Would you like to try?? Contact Ginny Johnson at 635-2702



**St. Paul's Episcopal
Church is a Christian
family of caring
people who strive to
support and nurture
each other and
their community
through faith and the
grace of God.**

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

1. Blake Wilcox
3. John Colgan
6. Thomas Case
9. Matthew Wagner
Kimberly Garrison
10. Alexander Nowik
11. Matthew House
Jacqueline Macak
12. Rachael Nowik
13. Donald Strain
Maureen Winzig
16. Donato Caferra
18. George Engelhardt
19. Barbara Jane Haight
21. Sandra House
22. Paul Gross
24. Kathleen Nowik
25. Andrew Glynn
30. George Weidler
Mary Ellen Borchert
Carl Lawson
31. Karl Sprauer
Ginny Johnson

6. Mike & Maureen Winzig



21. Ken & Julie Beyer
22. Elizabeth & Carl Stone
24. Wally & Barbara Bedder
29. Trampus & Amanda Evans
30. Babs Wilcox & Ellen
Youssef

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

2. Betty Lorentzen
3. Stephanie Warshauer
5. Sonny Case
9. Elizabeth Stone
10. Robin Haight
11. Fred Glynn
12. Julia Blafield
16. Marilyn Kirchner
Henry Page III
Alyce Senior
19. Dylan Rouse
Heather Blatz
21. Audrey Kennett

4. Chris & Irene Keenan
7. Rudy & Sina Macak
11. Fred & Debby Glynn
23. Todd & Linda Hixon

more August Birthdays

25. Sal DeMarco
Roxanne Shepley
26. Sharon Macak
27. Julie Beyer
28. Rikki Engelhardt

SEARCH COMMITTEE NEWS

Most of you now know that the Search Committee exhausted the initial round of candidates without successfully finding a willing candidate that would fill our needs. We have decided in consultation with the diocese that we will re-open the process and begin receiving names of candidates for full time rector from July through September. However since much of the beginning work (parish survey, parish profile, etc.) **does not** have to be repeated– we feel that this next part of the search should go more quickly!

In another matter, the Wardens and Vestry have agreed that with this bit of a delay, it would be a good time for the Parish to investigate the possibility of an Interim Priest instead of continuing with the Supply Priest arrangements we have been using. This will allow us to have more regular hours and access to a priest, fulfill some of the duties that the volunteers have been doing, help with transition to the new Rector when they are called, and help fulfill the special needs of parishioners as they arise.

In the meanwhile, we are so thankful that Father Mike Shafer has supported us so well and will continue to be with us through the summer.

Let us pray for God's continued guidance for all of us as we move forward with our work as a Parish.

John Borchert

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HOSPITALITY(Coffee Hours Teams)- We need two people to fill vacancies on the teams. Over the summer please think about joining. As Fall approaches there will be a meeting to see if changes need to be made in the way we present Coffee Hour. Watch for announcement of the meeting and join us to see if you would like to participate.



ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER– Two of our faithful servers have left for college. Please consider a try at assisting at the altar. Speak with one of those who serve if you would like more information.

Adults and students are welcome. We also welcome new ushers and lectors.

WORDS OF WISDOM

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

We thank you Lord

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve.

We thank you Lord

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice.

We thank you Lord

(Book of Common Prayer p837)

The next Epistle will be published September 1st.