

The Epistle

St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Pleasant Valley June 2013

“St. Paul's 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.”

Message from the Wardens

Our thanks to everyone who has been very busy volunteering to do all the necessary functions of the church other than the pastoral duties during this transition period. We thank everyone for their untiring efforts. We will be switching into our summer season July 7th. The Hospitality teams that prepare the wonderful coffee hour will have a vacation during the months of July and August. We will be having a combined service of Rite II for the months of July and August that will start at 9:30 AM. This is a good time to get to know more of our members.

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Round Table presented by the Search Committee that was held following the 10AM service June 30th. It was clear John Borchert and his committee spent a lot of time on preparation for the discussion. Thank you for your hard work as we journey together to select a new pastor.

Priest Schedule

Mother Deborah Dresser has agreed to serve us at the 8 and 10AM services for the month of June with the exception of June 30th and July 7th. Mother Susan Auchincloss will serve June 30th at the 8 and 10 AM services and July 7th at the 9:30 AM Rite II service.

Carpenter's Kids

A letter will be sent out soon updating you on this ministry. This will most likely be the last year we participate in this program. If you have any ideas for a new ministry mention it to any one of our vestry.

Fundraising

WOW! Everyone outdid themselves for the Mother's Day Sale, May 10th and 11th. We raised approximately \$3200.00. Many thanks to Barbara Rawls and her committee for providing the shrubs, trees and plants; to TerriGhee and her bake sale committee; to Ginny Johnson for overseeing the event; to Ellen Kutner and her "Recycle your Treasures" sale; for those who staffed the Thrift Shop. Much appreciation to those who set up for and cleaned up

after the sale, for those who baked goodies and those who donated time and muscle to make this event an annual success.

Upcoming Events

Lobster Fest: June 15th, 5-7:30PM-Barb Rawls, Chairperson RESERVATIONS ONLY due by June 10th. Menu will include Lobster or Steak, cole slaw, potato salad, corn, beverages and a dozen clams can be purchased for \$8.00. Barb is looking forward to this very pleasant social event for our parish and community. **Let's support her.**

Pleasant Valley Days - Sept. 14&15. This community event will return to Cady Park in Pleasant Valley and St.Pauls's will again sponsor our famous **Sausage and Pepper** wagon. More information on this event to follow in the July newsletter.

Annual Chicken Barbeque-September 15th. Please save the date! More information will follow in the July newsletter. During the Summer please think of ways in which you would like to volunteer for the two events in September.

Outreach

Food Pantry-1st Wednesday of each month. If any of our young adults are available during the summer months we would love to have them volunteer and bring their parents along. Call Liz Whitman to volunteer at 8454643903 (cell). It is only one hour one evening a month.

Christian Education/ Church School

Many thanks to those who teach and care for our young people each Sunday. This a true apostleship. It is what Christ asked of each and everyone of us. "Suffer the little children to come unto me". They are the future of the Church.

July 16th is both Fathers Day and the last day of Church School for the Summer. There will be a special recognition and coffee and juice hour dedicated to the children and their teachers with a special shout out to all the Dads.

Safe Church Workshop: Lesley Sprauer and Amanda Evans attended this workshop recently and reported back to the Vestry. More information will be forthcoming.

Confirmation-October 16th. Plans have been completed for Confirmation and a Reception into the Church. More information will follow in future newsletters.

Program and Fellowship

Prayer Box : The Church school children created a beautifully decorated box for anyone to write a prayer on a slip of paper and deposit it in the box as an addition to our Friday **Evening Prayer Service at 6PM.** The box can be found on a table at the back of the

Church. Thanks to the children and their teachers for having such a beautiful idea. Keep your prayers coming. Everyone is invited to the Evening Prayer service which lasts 30 to 45 minutes. Our group is growing larger and everyone who has participated feel this is a time of real peace and quiet where one can feel the presence of the Holy Spirit. Due to the heat this past Friday evening we put chairs in the shade outside the Parish Hall and had our service there. There was a nice breeze and it worked out nicely. We will plan to have the air conditioning on in the Church for the summer.

Building and Grounds

Renovations to the Parish House: In anticipation of calling a new Priest the Vestry gave approval for funds to make necessary repairs and update the Parish House. Donato Caferra took on the responsibility of chairing this project. More information on the project and extended thanks to all those who are working on the huge project will be forthcoming. I am sure there will be an open house so the parishoners can appreciate the improvements. More to come.

Spring cleanup; To those volunteers who showed up with rakes, clippers, chainsaws, brooms, garden gloves, and polishing cloths and lots of stamina and dedication to keeping St. Paul's building and grounds neat and clean. They were rewarded with a lunch of delicious Pizza and beverages. Thank you all!

Submit Newsletter Articles

The newsletter (THE EPISTLE) is the primary way of communicating with all St. Paul's members. It is extremely important that you contact us with anything you would like to submit for publishing. We are attempting to send out an e-newsletter monthly, print copies will be available in the church vestibule and a limited number will be sent by the U.S Mail.

We need to hear from you by the 23rd of each month in order to prepare the newsletter. Please contact Kay Mackey at horseladyk@aol.com or at 8456353310. You may also contact Liz Whitman at lizwhitman@earthlink.net or (cell)845-464-3903 or home 635-1368 or Nancy Lutz at nancy@dutchesstourism.com, days at 463-5446 or her cell at 845-464-8484.

Pastoral Needs: Priest

If you are in need of a priest, please contact the Wardens, Debby Glynn, 635-8756, and Nancy Lutz, 463-5446 (office), or 464-8484 (cell). They will be happy to contact one for you during this time of transition.

Happy June Birthdays and Heartfelt Anniversaries!

JUNE-

1-Howard Williamson

John & Mary Ellen Borchert-Anniversary

4-Madeline McVey

Frank & Elizabeth Munzer-Anniversary

5-Nancy Tumbarello

7-Joseph Cavaliere

Ron & Katherine (Ottaway)Kittredge

8-Aidan Gerald Haight

9-Timothy Scott Strain

Anna&Sal DeMarco-Anniversary

10-Michele (Macak) Cavaliere

13- Liz Whitman&Alic Senior-Anniversary

14-Thomas&Alison Case

16-Shelley Kay Mackey

Emily Jean Wilcox

17-T.C.Hampton

19-Silvia Ghedini

Lesley Sprauer

20-Stephen&Karen Garrison- Anniversary

21-Melissa Hampton

22-Gloria Ghedini

23-Bradley C. Haight

25-Karen Garrison

26-Kaiden Lee Thomason

27-Janet Lynn Arms

Candace&Daniel Olson-Anniversary

30-Alison Case

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