

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The
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Kay Mackey

Music Director
Marilyn Kirchner

Organist
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Epistle
Kay Mackey

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Dear St. Paul's Parish Family:

It's officially Fall and church life is in full swing here at St. Paul's! The Bishop has visited us and will return for the Oct 10th Rector's Institution. Pleasant Valley Weekend was a huge success and a whole lot of fun, and the months ahead are full of promise as we walk together along our faith journey. A hearty thanks to all of you for the work and love that you pour in to this place and in to the hearts of each other with boundless generosity! St. Paul's is very much alive and is the spiritual home to so many who seek God and community. We are blessed to have this place as our anchor. May we always remember the following quote as we worship together inside the church walls and proceed to walk back in to the world to serve our neighbors: "A ship in harbor is safe -- but that is not what ships are built for." *John A. Shedd*

We have a safe harbor here at St. Paul's, and we are nourished and strengthened by our time together in this place—AND, we are sent forth with the power of the Holy Spirit to share what we have been given when we are away from this place. Thanks be to God that we are never alone as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus, together and apart, for the glory of God.

Sunday, Oct 4th is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We ask God's blessing upon all of God's beloved creatures in our lives and in the world. We remember the prayer above to center us and fortify us to be vessels of peace and love for God in this world, to all of God's creation and to all of our neighbors. We reflect upon our call to put others before ourselves with an open heart to serve and to love for God's glory and not our own. We rejoice in the truth that when we do these things, we are also receiving love from God as we are compelled to share with others what we have been first given. Stewardship is not just a season that we celebrate every Fall when it's time to make the next year's church budget. Stewardship is a daily devotion where we are given the opportunity to put God first and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Beginning Oct 4th, St. Paul's will be checking in with you every two weeks until Nov 1st when we ask you to place your joyful giving cards in the offering plate and give to God and to the mission and ministries of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Please pray as we seek to transform ourselves in to instruments of God's peace right here in Pleasant Valley and beyond. In peace,
Mother Megan



Sunday Services

*Holy
Eucharist*

8AM-Rite I

*10AM-Rite II
With music*

*9:45AM– Sunday
School*

*Join us for fellow-
ship and refresh-
ments following the
10 AM service*

*9:15 AM Wednesday
Morning Prayer*

*5:30 PM Friday
Evening Prayer*

HOLY HUMOR

“The Lord loveth a cheerful giver. He also accepteth from the grouch.”

———via Catherine Hall
Pittsburgh, PA

Pleasant Valley Days

This year was successful despite the rain on Saturday. I need to thank a lot of people for helping out specifically Rick H. and Nancy A. without them the sausage and pepper wagon would not have gone so smoothly. Also, John B. who cooked all day Saturday, Julia B., Liz W., Jackie A, Kim M., Kay M., Sandy H., Debby G., Donato C., Barbie H., Gina O., Linda H. and Nancy T. If I have forgotten someone I apologize. Our profit for this event was \$2649.25. Thanks to all your hard work and thank you to those who supported this event. As you know the profits from our events continue to support worthy projects.



We had one box of sausage left over (which will be used to start next year) and a box of onions and peppers. Please help yourself to them from the freezer in the kitchen at the parish hall.

Next year, as with every year, we need more help on Saturday. So the plea starts right now for Saturday workers for next year.

Thank you to everyone
Barb Rawls

50th Annual Chicken BarBQ

I do believe that nearly every member of St.Paul’s congregation participated in one way or another to make both the BarBQ and S&P Trailer great successes. In addition ,our community faithfully supported both events. I cannot name each person individually but we can rejoice together in knowing that a church is much more than a building, it is the people who serve each other and are willing to outreach to their neighbors. Our reward is much more than financial however the monies earned are used to fulfill the mission of St.Paul’s.

Our profit from this event was approximately \$1500.

Thank you to everyone,especially Chef Bill K. Kay M. and Marilyn K.



PLEASE Mark you Calendars

May God continue to bless our St. Paul's family as we work together to fulfill our mission of caring people who strive to support and nurture each other and our community through faith and the grace of God. As you can see by the calendar our work is never done but the reward is great.

October 4th (Sunday)- St. Francis Feast Day, "Blessing of the Animals". Please bring your Animal Pictures to St. Paul's for a blessing at 8am and 10am. All are welcome. This year Grace Church of Millbrook, NY and the Trevor Zoo of the Millbrook School are co-hosting a Blessing of the Animals Beginning at 3pm at the zoo. Mother Megan will join with other local clergy. Entrance fees will be waived. (See notice in parish hall for further info.)

October 7th (Wednesday) 6:45– St. Paul's night to volunteer at the Ecumenical Food Pantry at the Methodist Church in Pleasant Valley.

October 10th (Saturday) 1pm– Institution of the Rev. Megan E. Sanders as the 28th Rector of St. Paul's Church. Bishop Andrew M.L. Dietsche, Bishop of New York, Presiding. The Reverend Canon Deborah G. Tammearu, Preaching. (see pg.4)
Reception to follow.

October 12th-(Monday) VESTRY MEETING at 7pm. Committees meet at 6:30pm.

October 18th- (Sunday)- 10am and 2pm. 40th CROP WALK for HUNGER. Debby Glynn and Marilyn Kirchner will be collecting for this worthy project. Further information is posted in the parish hall.

October 23rd & 24th– Town Pumpkin walk. See poster & town website for details.

October 24th– (Saturday) 4:30-7pm. Annual Pork Dinner- Barbara Rawls, chairperson. Thank you Terri and Bob Ghee for all your work making the previous pork dinners great successes. I understand Bob Ghee will make the sauerkraut (See page 4 for further information on this event)

October 25th (Sunday)- The United Thank Offering will be received for the fall ingathering. Your money and prayers have built churches, made needed renovations, fed the hungry, clothed the poor, provided shelter for the homeless and provided care and support for those with problems. The Blue Box is one way to thank God daily for all the blessings he showers on us each day.

There are Blue Boxes for your use at the back of the church. For those who have used your Blue Boxes over the summer please take the money from the box and write a check (made out to St. Paul's Church with UTO on the memo line) or just put currency in a UTO envelope (on the table in the nartex as you come into the church.) If you cannot be in church that day you can put your envelop in the offering plate any time during October. If you have questions, talk to Marilyn Kirchner.

The entire month of **OCTOBER** watch for a large box that will be placed in the Parish Hall by Guardian Storage. **We will be collecting "gently used" coats for men, women, and children** as we have done in the past. It looks like a busy month! Thank you for all you do for others. The coats will be distributed through Dutchess Outreach.





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October will be a busy month at St. Paul's. See calendar on page 3.

The following are highlights of some of the October events



October 4th– Nov. 1st is Stewardship month. Your Joyful Giving Cards may be placed in the collection plate. Ingathering is Nov. 1st. (see Message from Mother Megan pg.1)

On **Saturday, October 10th, at 1pm**, everyone is invited to the **Institution of our 28th Rector, The Reverend Megan E. Sanders**. The Right Reverend Andrew M.L. Dietsche, Bishop of New York, Presiding. The Reverend Canon Deborah G. Tammearu, Canon for Transition Ministry, Preaching. Rev. Tammearu worked diligently with our Search Committee to bring us to this wonderful day. It has been nearly five months since Mother Megan arrived at St. Paul's to be our Rector. We have come to love and appreciate her vitality, reverence and ability to care for all of her flock. Please reply to your invitation as a reception will follow in the parish hall.

PORK DINNER– Volunteers needed-

On **October 24th** from 4:30-7pm, Barbara Rawls will chair our annual pork dinner, which will be served buffet style. Prices as follows:

Over age 10 & under 90- \$13. Take out available

Ages 6-10- \$11. Under age 6 and over 90 free.

We are looking for volunteers to make both sweetened and unsweetened Applesauce.

We will need desserts– they do not have to be apple based, but welcomed.

Help will be needed to setup, tear down, cleanup, prep, serve, and reset tables.

Setup an Prep to be done Friday, Oct.23, starting at 10am.

Please contact Barbara Rawls Barbara.rawls2@verizon.net or

845-635-8517, 845-505-0048. Leave a message if I do not answer and I will get back to you asap.

Thank you,

Barb

TWO FREE TICKETS courtesy of Debby and Fred Glynn

Saturday, October 17th @ 8pm the Hudson Valley Philharmonic will perform at the Bardavon Theatre. This is in collaboration with Poughkeepsie Library's "The Poughkeepsie Read". Compositions by David Amram on the 75th anniversary of Woody Guthrie's American anthem– along with projections of historic Dust Bowl images set to Barber's haunting "Adagio". They will also play Shostakovich's 5th Symphony.

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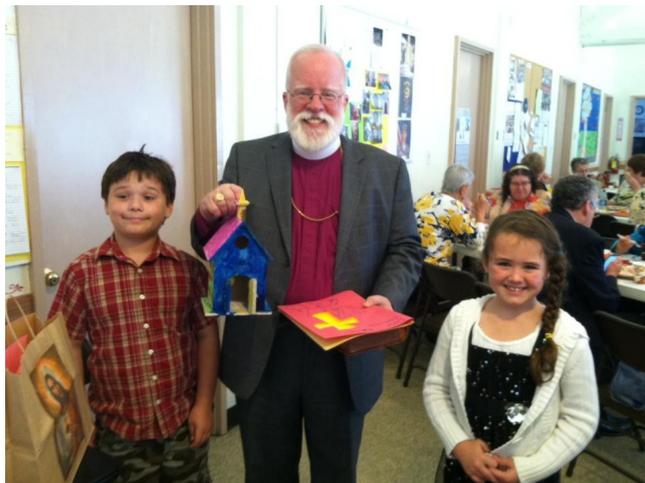
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

1. Erin Sommerville
Aleshia Hampton
Toni Howell
Christopher (CJ) Adams.
2. Bill Kirchner
3. Katrina Kern
Sebastian Haight
5. Bill and Marilyn Kirchner
Karl & Lesley Sprauer
7. Skyler Case
Regan Macak
8. John Gruner
Roger & Nancy Tumbarello
Fritz & Nancy Lutz
11. Jeff & Ellen Kutner
Heather & Kevin Blatz
17. Hudson Case
21. Robert & Terri Ghee
26. Campbell Macak
30. Jaxson Markowitz
31. Terri Ghee

Photos from Bishop Dietsche's visit and Confirmation of Barbara Haight on September 27th



Bishop Dietsche receiving gifts made by the children of St. Paul's Sunday School.



WORDS OF WISDOM

HOLIDAY POINSETTIA SALE

To Benefit St. Paul's Church, PVNY
Place orders with Barbara Haight 845-346-5940 or St. Paul's Church- 845-635-2854 or
E-mail: BarbaraHaight@gmail.com
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Pick up Dec. 6th at
St. Paul's Church.



*'Preach the Gospel at all times
and when necessary use words.'*
~ St. Francis of Assisi