



The Good News

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Chittenango, New York

July 2023

For it is in Giving, that we Receive - St. Francis of Assisi

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The Mission of our Parish
is to be an
active community reflecting
God's presence
in Chittenango
and other communities
we represent.

Our Services

Sundays at 9 AM

Join us on Zoom!

Link will be posted to our
Facebook page every week

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I just read an article in the Vestry Papers about Stewardship and how stewardship should be year-round and not just talked about once a year. And that gave me pause to think, do we really understand what stewardship is and do we talk about it enough in the correct terms. So before I get to in depth here, let's define Stewardship:

"Caring for something that has been entrusted to us by previous stewards." Entrusted. "assign the responsibility for" or "put into someone's care and protection".

Well, we certainly have caring and protecting our building and it's contents under good stewardship. But is it really that simple? Probably not. We have learned, through our faith journey and maturing of understanding, that we realize not only are we stewards of our church building, but stewards of ALL of God's Blessings. As it was stated in the article that I was reading, "Stewardship is not a choice: it permeates everything we do."

It permeates everything we do. What do we do, beside come and sit in the pews on Sunday and then gather together over goodies and Coffee? More than we probably even realize. I made a list and honestly, for a small group of dedicated members, we do a lot.

- ◆ Food Pantry
- ◆ "Bread, Eggs and Butter Sunday"
- ◆ St. Pauly's Box
- ◆ Madison County Maternal Child Health
- ◆ Madison County Foster Kids Christmas Program
- ◆ School Box Kits
- ◆ Blessing of the Bikes
- ◆ Sip and Seek
- ◆ Chittenango Area Association of Churches
- ◆ VBS
- ◆ St. Paul's Laundry Angels

Some of these are ongoing, some of these happen once a year, but what IS important, is that they are happening. All thanks to a dedicated parish full of giving people. So when you think of stewardship, remember that it isn't only giving your pledge to pay the bills at the church, it also supports all of our different missions.

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Not sure how to do it online?

Go to: <https://cnyepiscopal.org/give/> click on "Give to my Parish" and look for St. Paul's Chittenango.

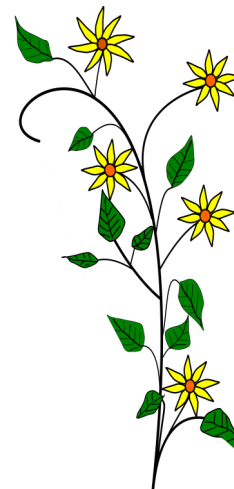
You will get an email stating your donation has gone thru and our Treasurer will get an email, with your name and amount given.

Prayer List

Ethel Barber, Catherine Carter, Viola Ducatte, Johnny Gerling, Ida Goins, The Rev. Charles Grover, Joan Grover, John Heck, Jr., Donna Hoffman, Ed Hoffman, Roberta Kincaid, Patricia Ladd, Don Lee, Jan Lee, Betty Lesczynski, Ed Link, Woody McAllister, Judy Olmsted, Mary Jane Pokorny, Carolyn (Snookie) Snyder, Pat Stucker, Ruth Williams, The Woodworth & Held families.

New Prayer List for June 2023/July 2023 has been posted on the bulletin board.

If you wish to have someone added to St. Paul's Prayer list, please contact Becky Kraus at bak092364@gmail.com / 315-382-9056 or Robin Weisbrod at rdweisbrod@gmail.com /315 655-4321.



If anyone would like a written copy of the weekly lessons/Gospel, Psalm, and Fr. Leon's sermon, either mailed to you or emailed to you - please contact the Church, by phone or by email and let Becky know. She will drop them in the mail to you weekly.

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About St. Paul's

The earliest record of Episcopal Church services in this vicinity was 1816 when St. Stephen's Church of Perryville was incorporated. At that time Chittenango was little more than a gathering of frame and log houses. From 1816-1832 rectors from St. Stephen's held missionary services in Chittenango.

Around 1849 a few gentlemen who greatly admired and revered the beautiful services of the Church, agreed to make an effort to have services occasionally held. By the spring of 1855 services began to be held regularly once a month in the Bethel. St. Paul's was officially organized as a parish on June 18, 1855. St. Paul's church was built in 1865 as a Gothic Revival-style structure. The lot, building, furniture and windows cost \$5000. The building was completed in less that six months. The first service was held in the church on Easter Day, April 1, 1866.

On May 12, 1866 the church was consecrated by Bishop Coxe. It was added to the U.S. National Historic Register of National Places in 1996.

July

Birthdays

01 Barbara Buyea
 05 Theo Benjamin
 05 Tyler Benjamin
 07 Ethel Barber
 07 John Tafe

08 Brian Buyea
 13 Edna Brown
 22 Grace Titus
 25 Julie Reals
 31 Alan Clement

Anniversaries

15 – Gary and Sue Pratt
 15- Dick and Shirley VanValkenburgh
 19 – Charles and Joan Grover

Ministry Team Schedule

July 2, 2023

Holy Eucharist

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr.

L.E.M.: Judy Olmsted
 Lessons: Sue Gerling
 Prayers: Sue Gerling
 Acolytes: Ed Hoffman
 MIDI: Valerie Travers
 Coffee Hour: Vestry

July 9, 2023

Morning Prayer

Robin Weisbrod

Lessons: Claudia Jensen
 Prayers: Claudia Jensen
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman
 MIDI: Valerie Travers
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

July 16, 2023

Holy Eucharist

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr.

L.E.M.: Judy Olmsted
 Lessons: Tania Mousaw
 Prayers: Tania Mousaw
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman
 MIDI: Valerie Travers
 Coffee Hour: Pat Davis & Donna Hoffman

July 23, 2023

Morning Prayer

Robin Weisbrod

Lessons: Meg Hermann
 Prayers: Meg Hermann
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman
 MIDI: Valerie Travers
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

July 31, 2023

Morning Prayer

Robin Weisbrod

Lessons: Judy Olmsted
 Prayers: Judy Olmsted
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman
 MIDI: Valerie Travers
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

Altar Guild for July:

Meg Hermann
 Mary Jane Pokorny

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These all take Time, Talent, and Money – and a loving heart, I think should be added. Your pledge goes towards People. Community. Ministry. Mission and God.

Speaking of a pledge, if you consider yourself a member of St. Paul's, maybe you live far away, or even right in Chittenango, but can't make a service. You can still pledge. Why not start out small, say \$0.50 a week, which translates into \$24 a year. Why not? It is small, but many smalls make a large. You will be helping your community, our ministry, our mission, and people. Can't go wrong with that, now, can you?

I also watched a TED Talk given by Brene Brown that she gave about vulnerability. Here are a couple of nuggets she left us with:

"You are imperfect, you are wired to struggle, but you are loved and belong."

And

"Let yourself be really seen, love with your whole heart, even though there is no guarantee, practice gratitude and joy and remember, above all else, you ARE enough"

God Bless,
Robin

June Vestry Meeting Synopsis

The June meeting of the Vestry was held on June 15th, 2023 at 3:00 PM. All were present and accounted for. There was review of the past months minutes, which were approved. The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.

The Treasurer gave an updated amount on the Building Fund Drive – as of this date, we have \$15,500 in the fund.

All committee reports were turned in and reviewed. Then the Vestry moved on to Old Business: Starting with the Saint Paul's Laundry Ministry – After Lynn and Tania visited "Keep Making Suds" Laundromat, they came up with a wonderful idea of how to work this ministry. Instead of a specific day and time of the Month, the "Laundry Angels" will arrive unannounced at one of the local Laundromats and offer to pay for a load of wash or a load of drying. Spreading the joy, so to speak. The Vestry loved the idea and thanked them for working on this.

Next on the Agenda was Oz Fest – we all agreed that this was one of the best Oz Fest days we have had. Even with the extra parking we had to do.

The next meeting will be July 20th at 3:00 PM, Fr Leon gave us a closing prayer and Robin adjourned the meeting.

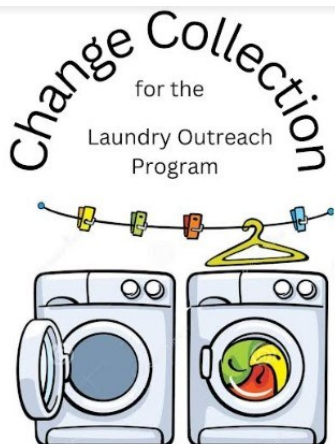
Additional note: It was also noted that our former Organist, Pat Beatty had died and a donation was sent in her name to the Samaritan Center.

School Kits for Kids Kicks Off

The School Kits for Kids program, formerly chaired by Tania Mousaw with the Outreach Committee, will kick off on July 25th. The deadline completion date is August 26th.

Some kits will be provided at the Parish Hall, or you may purchase your own kit and fill it, or you may just want to donate some of the items needed for the kits or a donation of cash. However you choose to participate, it is appreciated.

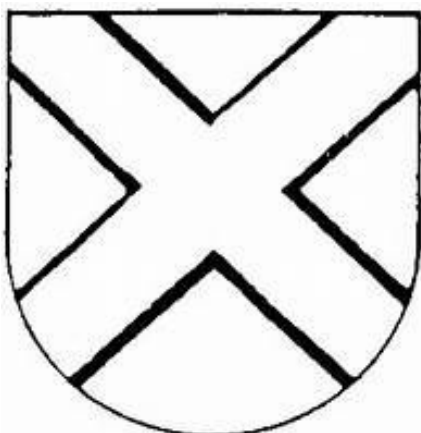
Items required for the kits: 1 Pair Blunt Scissors 1 Box colored pencils, 12 count 6 No. 2 pencils 1 Pencil Sharpener 1 Pink pearl eraser 3 White glue sticks 1 Box of Crayons, 24 count 1 Box of tissues Thank you for your unselfish giving to others. Thank you. Thank you!



Join us in saving Quarters and drop them in the change container in the Parish Hall.

Not able to get to the Parish Hall?
- make a donation to the church and on the memo line put Laundry Donation!!

Thank you for supporting this new Outreach program.



St. Andrew's Cross

St. Andrew accompanied his brother Peter to Jesus. The fish reveals that he transitioned from his previous occupation as a fisherman to his larger calling as a fisher of humanity.

The saltire cross, also known as St. Andrew's Cross, is the traditional form of the cross on which he was crucified after preaching the Gospel in Greece.

St. Andrew Quick Fact: Andrew was Peter's brother, brought him to Jesus Christ and he recognized Christ at first sight.

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