

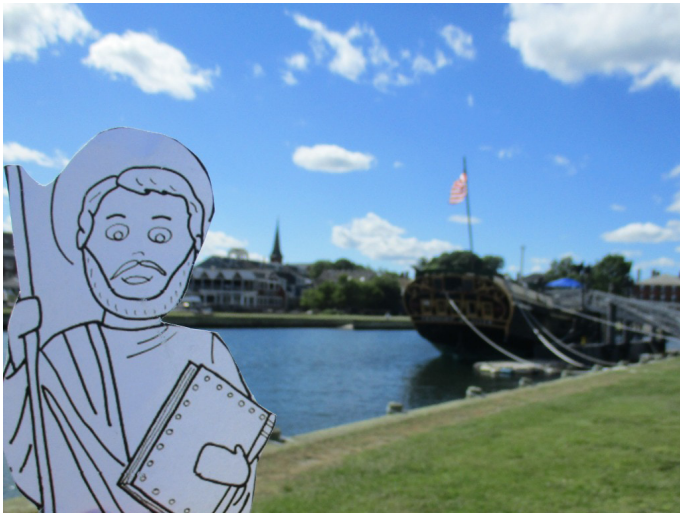
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*July & August 2016 Newsletter*

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### Flat St. James

When you travel during the summer, remember to take "Flat St. James" with you. Snap a picture and email it to church, office@stjamesclinton.org, or post it to the St. James Episcopal Church facebook page using #StJamesTravels. While you are away from St. James and traveling, take time to remember God and your St. James' family. Also, if you visit worship at another church, remember to bring back a worship bulletin and share it with us by putting it in the basket in the back of the church.



A hearty thank you to all who made the Your Neighbors Inc cook-in a wonderful success! 127 meals were assembled and delivered to the freezers at Zion Lutheran Church on June 13th. Thanks to all our cooks, contributors, and volunteers: Randy & Jan Wilson, Terry Neil, Cindy Majka, Pat Evans, Patricia Jue, Wendy Weber, Susan Bennet, Ken Iles, Blair Jones, Judy Logan, Patty Fox, and Libby Beardsell. We received some more food donations at the end of our time, so 8 more meals were frozen for distribution to needy individuals!

*- Jan & Randy Wilson*

**St. James' Episcopal Church**

**N E W S L E T T E R**

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**REGULAR SERVICES:**

**Saturday, 4pm • Sunday, 9:30am**

**Church office hours:**

**Mon. - Thurs. 1-4pm; Fri. Noon - 2pm**

**Staff:**

Minister of Music: Mr. Richard Lloyd  
Sexton: "Mujo" Salkic • Administrative Assistant: Ms. Laura Stoll

**Vestry:**

clinton.org

Senior Warden: Patty Fox • Junior Warden: John Pick  
Kathy Collett • Chris Fox • Randy Grant • Sue Hecklau  
Ken Iles • Deb Lucas • Sharon Pick • Werner Schmalz • Wendy Weber

Treasurer: Jan Wilson

Webmistress: Patricia Jue

Newsletter: Pat Evans

**Leadership Group Chairs:**

Outreach: Pat Evans

Worship Committee: Kathy Collett

Finance Committee: Mike Baldwin

Investment Committee: Craig Heuss

Communications Committee: Kathy Collett

Fellowship Committee: Terry Neil

Property Management: Sharon Williams

Search committee: Karen Anderson & Randy Wilson



*St. James' is a community where we come together in Christ to develop spiritually; find opportunities for outreach; receive comfort when in need; and engage in sacred experiences through our liturgy, music, fellowship, and mutual ministry."*

## Vestry News

We held our parish-wide Mutual Ministry Review on Saturday morning, June 11th. It was ably facilitated by Rev. Kathy Corley, who has been helping guide us through our transition. We had a good attendance, and everyone agreed that it was an enjoyable and very worthwhile experience. In general, we concluded that our committee and ministry work is doing very well. There are a greater number of committees, new leadership in some committees, and stronger membership than there was a few years ago. The session left us energized to continue doing our fine work; it was agreed that a new rector is needed to help give us a clear direction for these ministries. The items identified for immediate action are:

- Finding a Chair for the Worship Committee; I am pleased to report the Kathy Collett has already graciously agreed to serve in this position. We know that she will do her usual superb job!
- Developing more complete and frequent acolyte training; Ken Iles and Skip Beardsell have volunteered to create a St. James' acolyte training manual. Rahel Reger and the Youth Committee have already commenced planning this training.
- Developing small group gatherings, both social (like the Foyers and other dinner groups that used to be held) and formative (book study, Bible reflection, etc); Terry Neil has offered to discuss the social functions with her Fellowship Committee; we are hopeful that someone is willing to spearhead the development of small formation groups. If you have any ideas, we would love to hear from you!

In other news, at its June meeting, the Vestry:

- Approved an expenditure of up to \$9,000 for the purchase and installation of 24 more niches in the columbarium.
- Approved an expenditure of \$1,250 for the bathroom in the Day School.
- Approved an expenditure of up to \$1,300 for a fireproof cabinet for storage of parish records. However, Bruce Evans has very generously donated such a cabinet, which will save us a lot of money! *Thank you so very much, Bruce!*

Enjoy a wonderful summer!

— Patty Fox

The Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York is pleased to announce its consent to the addition, by petition, of a fifth candidate for the position of eleventh Bishop of Central New York. The Rev, Dena Cleaver-Bartholomew, Christ Church, Manlius joins The Very Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe of St. Peter's in the Woods, Fairfax Station, VA, the Reverend Noah H. Evans of Grace, Medford MA, The Rev. Canon Debra J. Kissinger of the Transition Ministries, Indianapolis IN, and The Rev, Nora Smith, Church of St. Barnabas, Irvington NY. Join us Friday, July 22, 6-9 p.m. at St. John's Church, Oneida, for the "meet and greet." (Look for announcements about car pooling, leaving from the St. James, Clinton, parking lot, in the coming weeks.)

## Property Committee

The Couper Room, new lavatory, back hall exit, and sacristy are nearly all done. Note that this renovation was paid for by funds from the selling of the Lewis House. Come by and admire! The dedication of the spaces will be held in September.

Thanks to all who helped with the painting/preparation of these newly renovated areas: Ben Fehlner, Pat Evans, Chris Fox, Patty Fox, Terry Houtz-Neil, Patricia Jue, John Pick, Rahel Reger, George Taylor, Wendy Weber, and Sharon Williams.

And a GIANT THANK YOU to John Crossley for his fine work as project manager!

—Sharon Williams

## Outreach

It's that time of the summer again for our annual Hope House meal preparation and serving. We will be cooking and serving supper for Hope House on July 19th and August 16th. We will meet at St. James at 10 am on both days to cook the meals and at Hope House at 4pm to serve. We can use volunteers for cooking, serving or both! Please let Pat Evans know when you can help out, as Hope House needs to know if there are enough servers coming.

We continue to make great progress towards our goal of providing juice boxes, fruit cups and oatmeal packets for the Country Pantry Kids Pak program. Thanks to all who have contributed but we'll need donations all through the summer. If you can't make it to the store, we'll take cash donations and do the shopping for you.

—Pat Evans



## Congratulations, 2016 Graduates!

We send our congratulations to **Glyn Lloyd** and **Amy Davis**, who graduated from Clinton High School, and **Suzie Phillips**, who graduated from Mount Markham High School. Glyn will attend Vassar College; he has helped in several St. James outreach programs, including assembling meals for Your Neighbors, Inc. Amy served as an acolyte, was a member of the youth group, and oversaw the nursery. She will attend MVCC before transferring to Flagler College in St. Augustine, Florida. Suzie has been our



faithful acolyte at our Saturday afternoon services since early middle school. She will attend Hartwick College. We send our prayers and wish them godspeed as they start a new phase in their lives.

## Worship & Formation

St. James is blessed with three wonderful choirs, our adult, youth and children's choirs, and Richard, our talented organist and choir director. Sometimes we are so moved by the music that we clap. I have heard some - both lay and clergy - at other churches wonder if clapping is out of place in a worship service. Their stance is that prayers and music are expressions of worship directed for the glory of God, distinct from a performance for "the people." As such, clapping in church is "not appropriate." And yet, clapping is often our natural response to indicate that we are "all in" with what we hear. I can't image a loving God ever being offending if we, His people, instinctively clap when children praise God in song. After all, during the baptism service, when asked "Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?" we promise "WE WILL!" In that case, isn't clapping to encourage our children to praise God with heart and voice entirely appropriate? However, I do understand that tension between clapping by way of encouragement and clapping as if they are performing for us. For those of you also who feel this tension, let me suggest saying a heartfelt AMEN after being moved by a particular song or sermon. (Selected sermons may be found on our website at [www.stjamesclinton.org/sermons](http://www.stjamesclinton.org/sermons)) But in the end, remember we strive to be a flexible people. During prayers we kneel or sit as we are able. During hymns, we stand or sit. During communion some stand, some sit, some kneel. So, clap, silently praise God, or say an AMEN out loud. In all things, be your true self as move by the Holy Spirit. AMEN!

—Patricia Kay Jue

*(Disclaimer" The views expressed here are my own and may not reflect those of others at St. James' Clinton)*

## Youth Programs

Grace Church, Utica, has several youth events planned for the summer and have invited St. James' families to join them. A Summer Fun Day for kids ages 6-14 will be held on July 13 from 11:30 am until 2:30pm at St. Margaret's House in New Hartford. The day will begin with noonday prayer followed by lunch and activities. On August 14, spend the afternoon at Verona Beach with a picnic lunch, chips, and drinks. Adults are requested to chaperone the Verona Beach trip. To RSVP, contact Sally Pratt at 725-3976.

### Family Fun Night at Kirkland Town Park

St. James' Youth Committee invites everyone to an evening of water fun at the Kirkland Town Park on July 13 at 6:30pm. Join us for all kinds of wet and wild fun including a giant slip and slide, water balloons, a soaking wet version of kick ball, relays, and more. Bring a friend. The event is free!



Consider donating flowers in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate an event or milestone in your life. Simply "reserve" a weekend by filling out the flower book located in the back of the church. Flowers can be arranged by a local florist or purchased at the Thursday Clinton farmers market. Alternatively, if you have flowers in your garden, you can make your own arrangement; vases can be borrowed from the cabinet above the oven in the St. James' kitchen.

## July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 4pm Evening Prayer
3 9:30am Morning Prayer	4 Independence Day	5 6:45pm Search Comm. 8pm AA Meeting	6 11:30am Lectionary Study	7	8	9 4pm Worship Service
10 9:30am Worship Service	11 5pm Zumba	12 8pm AA Meeting	13 10:30am Handiwork Group 11:30am Lectionary Study 6:30pm Water Fun at Kirkland Town Park	14 6pm Solar Energy Presentation 6:30pm Property Mgmt	15	16 4pm Worship Service
17 9:30am Worship Service 11am Outreach Meeting	18 5pm Zumba	19 8pm AA Meeting	20 11:30am Lectionary Study 7pm Vestry	21	22	23 4pm Worship Service
24 9:30am Worship Service	25	26 8pm AA Meeting	27 11:30am Lectionary Study	28	29	30 4pm Worship Service

## August 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 9:30am Worship Service	1	2 8pm AA Meeting	3 11:30am Lectionary Study	4	5	6 4pm Worship Service
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## July-August Server Schedule

Date	Acolytes	Nursery	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers/Greeters
Sat. July 2	Evening Prayer led by the Webers				Matt Weber
Sun. July 3	Morning Prayer led by the Webers		Pat Evans		Don Neil Bruce Coe
Sat. July 9			Sharon Pick	John Pick	John & Sharon Pick
Sun. July 10	Elizabeth & Henry Fehlner		Pat Evans	Brian & Kathy Collett	Ben Fehlner Laura Stoll
Sat. July 16			Matt Weber	Wendy Weber	Matt & Wendy Weber
Sun. July 17	TBA & Olivia Peto		Patricia Jue	Karen Anderson Mike Baldwin	John & Cynthia Crossley
Sat. July 23			Patty Fox	Chris Fox	Chris & Patty Fox
Sun. July 24	Sydney Evans Liam Schmalz		JoElyn Wakefield-Wright	Bill Kistner Gail Prentice	Chris Evans Randy Wilson
Sat. July 30			Kathy Heuss	Nancy Taylor	Craig & Kathy Heuss
Sun. July 31	Morgan Dawes Evelyn Dawes		Lorna Grant	Barbara Swetman Mary Lou Iles	Karen Anderson Wendy Seifried
Sat. Aug. 6			Chris Fox	Patty Fox	Chris & Patty Fox
Sun. Aug. 7	Audra Williams & Olivia Peto		JoElyn Wakefield-Wright	Kathy & Brian Collett	Don Neil & Bruce Coe
Sat. Aug. 13			Patricia Jue	Rahel Reger	Matt & Wendy Weber
Sun. Aug. 14	Sydney Evans Anna Reger		Pat Evans	Gail Prentice Bill Kistner	Cynthia & John Crossley
Sat. Aug. 20			Sharon Pick	John Pick	John & Sharon Pick
Sun. Aug. 21	Anna Reger, Louis Pinto, Nick Pinto		Lorna Grant	Randy Wilson Patricia Jue	Pat Davis Don Neil
Sat. Aug. 27			Kathy Heuss	Nancy Taylor	Craig & Kathy Heuss
Sun. Aug. 28	Anna Reger Porter Dawes		Karen Anderson	Mary Lou Iles Barbara Swetman	Karen Anderson Wendy Seifried
Sat. Sept. 3			Matt Weber	Wendy Weber	Matt & Wendy Weber
Sun. Sept. 4	SERVICE ON THE GREEN				

Altar Guild: July: Judy Snow • August: Sondra Coe & Judy Snow

### July-August Cycle of Prayer

*Please pray for the families of:*

- July 4 Ernest Randall, Rahel Reger, Brent & Edna Rodriguez-Plate, Gale Salka, Mustafa Salkic, Werner & Mary Beth Schmalz
- July 11 Rev. Jacqueline Schmitt, Dora Schwaiger, Mary Seyse, Jim Sinclair, John Snodgrass, Judy Snow
- July 18 Art & Janeen Spencer, Rev. Ann Stillman, Helen Storm, Judy Sweet, Barbara Swetman
- July 25 George & Nancy Taylor, Dwight Vicks, Mary Vicks, Annie Wadsworth, JoElyn Wakefield-Wright, Matt & Wendy Weber
- Aug. 1 Jim & Kathy White, Jill Wickham, Kevin & Cynthia Williams, Ernest & Sharon Williams, Hermine Williams, Marcia Williams
- Aug. 8 Jan & Randy Wilson, Joan Witte, Jeff & Diane Wooldridge, Bill Yavornitzki, Robert Young, Sharon Young
- Aug. 15 Peace Agbley & Vincent Odamtten, Ginger Allen, Marion Amico, Karen Anderson & Wendy Seifried, April Ardell, Jean Ashforth
- Aug. 22 Diane & Mike Baldwin, Frank & Annette Barber, Skip & Libby Beardsell, Susan Bennett, Kit Blackmore, Kolby Broedel
- Aug. 29 Claire Burns, John & Bonnie Buschmann, Alistair & Colleen Campbell, Eleanor Carmen, Louise Charbonneau & Richard Lloyd, Ann Clark,
- Sept. 5 Bruce & Sondra Coe, Brian & Kathy Collett, Tim & Marsha Collett, Dick & Joan Compson, Fran Conway, Peggy & Bud Cratty

**Volunteers are needed to host Lemonade on the Lawn on Sunday mornings after church.**

**A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.**

**Thank you in advance for your help!**

