

The Good News

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Chittenango, New York

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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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A Fallen Leaf is Nothing More than a Summer's Wave Goodbye

It is hard to believe that summer is almost over. Slowly, my garden is ripening, and we are starting to put food up for the winter. This year is different since Gerry and I are not out at the Fairgrounds. Certainly bittersweet, on one hand, we miss the hustle and bustle, seeing old friends and sitting around the fire pit in the evenings with our neighbors. On the other hand, we don't miss the hustle and bustle, not knowing exactly when we are going to eat, and me walking the Fairgrounds every day – trust me, that is a whole lot of walking.

What have we got coming up? Well, first is the Tag Sale on the 16thwhich we will be needing help with. It's not hard, just a bit timeconsuming. If any of you know of any High School students that need Community Service time, this would be a great opportunity.

On September 25th at the Cazenovia Library, in the Betsy Kennedy Community Room, is "Let's Talk" series – this one will be End of Life Paperwork.

The Building Fund is still slowly growing, and I wish I could personally thank all of you that have donated. The love for St. Paul's is wonderful, the notes that have come with the checks are heartwarming. We are in the process of getting the Parish Hall door fixed – not as easy as it sounds. But it will happen!! The ramp has been fixed to be easier to get up on from the pavement as too, the entrance into the Parish Hall. The front doors will be taken down, a temporary door placed as the entrance, the doors will be repaired and painted, the door jamb replaced and made sturdier. We cannot wait for those to be repaired and working correctly. Repair work on the exterior will continue and we will eventually get repainted. It is a process, but so worth it.

Our Laundry Angels have been visiting the two laundromats in Chittenango and hopefully have made peoples lives a bit better. Soon, we will be starting our Stewardship Campaign; Time, Talent and Money – we need all of these. Never discount where your talent lies, sometimes it is hidden, you don't even know you have a certain talent and then there it is! Shining in beautiful colors all around you! Everyone in this church is a diamond in the rough – trust me on this.

If anyone has any suggestions for a Community Service, something to help the less fortunate than us, someone who has fallen on hard times, please let me know, sometimes after an idea has been spoken about, and we have *Continued on Page 4*

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Want to donate to St. Paul's? Not sure how to do it online?

Go to: <u>https://cnyepiscopal.org/</u> <u>give/</u> 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, Ron Beaty, Catherine Carter, Dorrie Champlin, Viola Ducatte, Ida Goins, The Rev. Charles Grover, Joan Grover, Donna Hoffman, Ed Hoffman, Scott Keck, Roberta Kincaid, Patricia Ladd, Don Lee, Betty Lesczynski, Ed Link, Woody McAllister, Brian Mozeliak, Carolyn (Snookie) Niles, Judy Olmsted, Ed Pokorny, Roe Salamone, Pat Stucker, Special prayers for Trinity Episcopal Church in Watertown Ruth Williams, The Woodworth & Held families, and prayers for the unknown Stage 4 Cancer patient from the laundromat.

New Prayer List for August 2023/September 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.



Birthdays

04 Judy Olmsted

- 13 Richard Matthews
- 23 Becky Kraus
- 25 Dorothy Saunders

Anniversaries

- 02 Don & Jan Lee
- 04 Richard Matthews & Edna Brown
- 10 Travis & Molly Huttar
- 25 Bob & Roberta Kincaid
- 28 Bob & Judy Olmsted

Ministry Team Schedule

September 3, 2023 Holy Eucharist

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr. L.E.M.: Sue Gerling Lessons: Fran Abriola Prayers: Fran Abriola Acolytes: Ed Hoffman MIDI: Valerie Travers Coffee Hour: Vestry

September 10, 2023 Morning Prayer

Robin Weisbrod Lessons: Tania Mousaw Prayers: Tania Mousaw Acolyte: Ed Hoffman MIDI: Valerie Travers Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

September 17, 2023 Holy Eucharist Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr. L.E.M.: Judy Olmsted Lessons: Sue Gerling Prayers: Sue Gerling Acolyte: Ed Hoffman MIDI: Valerie Travers Coffee Hour: Sue Gerling

September 24, 2023 Morning Prayer

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

Altar Guild for September: Judy Olmsted Robin Weisbrod

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a chance to bounce back and forth ideas, you would be surprised how well these ideas get formulated into a workable solution.

I wish I could gather all of my St. Paul's family in my arms, give you all a huge hug and tell you how grateful I am to each and every one of you and for all you do. Without you all, St. Paul's would not be. You are the heart and soul of our little church.

Thank you and God Bless, Robin



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.



Sept 16th 2023

We will need volunteers to help set up outside and inside. We need volunteers to help with the Hot Dog Stand. The hours for the sale are 9 - 3. Talk to Tanya or Robin.



Garrison Keillor on Episcopalians ...

An essay:

We make fun of Episcopalians for their blandness, their excessive calm, their fear of giving offense, their lack of speed and also for their secret fondness for macaroni and cheese. But nobody sings like them.

If you were to ask an audience in Des Moines, a relatively Episcopalianless place, to sing along on the chorus of "Michael Row the Boat Ashore," they will look daggers at you as if you had asked them to strip to their underwear. But if you do this among Episcopalians, they'd smile and row that boat ashore and up on the beach!And down the road!

Many Episcopalians are bred from childhood to sing in four-part harmony, a talent that comes from sitting on the lap of someone singing alto or tenor or bass and hearing the harmonic intervals by putting your little head against that person's rib cage. It's natural for Episcopalians to sing in harmony. We are too modest to be soloists, too worldly to sing in unison.

When you're singing in the key of C and you slide into the A7th and D7th chords, all two hundred of you, it's an emotionally fulfilling moment. By our joining in harmony, we somehow promise that we will not forsake each other.

And finally, you know you are a Episcopalian when:

-It's 100 degrees, with 90% humidity, and you still have coffee after the service.

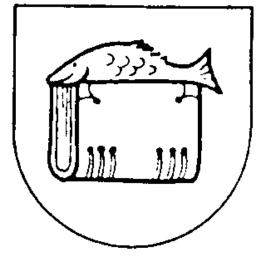
-You hear something really funny during the sermon and smile as loudly as you can.

-Donuts are a line item in the church budget, just like coffee.

- When you watch a Star Wars movie and they say, "May the Force be with you," and you respond, "and also with you."

- And lastly, it takes ten minutes to say good-bye

(NOTE: Garrison Keillor attends St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church in St. Paul, Minnesota)



Saint Simon's Shield

Saint Simon the Zealot was the inspiring companion of Jude and was martyred in Persia on a missionary journey.

A relentless fisher of humanity through the power of the Gospel, Simon is symbolized by a fish on a Bible.

Saint Simon the Zealot Quick Fact: he is sometimes called Simon the Zealot because of his zeal for the Mosaic law. St. Paul's Episcopal Church Chittenango, New York



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