



Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost August 27, 2017

**Sunday Services: 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.
Wednesday Eucharist and Healing Service: 9:30 A.M.**

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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Our Mission Statement

We welcome you to join us on our journey as we strive to share the love of Jesus through worship, Christian Education, fellowship and service to each other and the community beyond our walls.

Welcome to St. Paul's

We welcome you to St. Paul's Episcopal Church. If you are new, returning after a time away or have been here week after week, it is our hope that you feel welcomed and comfortable in this church. We are all travelers and seekers together on a journey of faith. We very much hope you will find your time with us one of renewal and refreshment. As you walk with us, may your faith deepen with the hope that you will continue on this journey with us, here at St. Paul's. If we can be of any assistance to you on your faith journey, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Birthdays:

8/27	Patricia Roberts		8/29	Henry Barnaby
	Casey Westermann		8/30	Ardra Smyk
8/28	Will VanOsten		8/31	Molly Martinichio
	Kurt Besemer			Aidan Cavanugh
	Tommy Vallone		9/2	Rowan Cavanugh

Anniversaries:

8/27	Jack and Jennifer Westermann
8/31	Richard and Jane Parker
9/1	John and Jennifer Kakusian



Sanctuary Candle Memorials:

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in loving memory of **John Perestam** from his loving wife, Linda Littell. John's 80th birthday would have been on August 28th. May the angels celebrate with him in heaven.



Altar Flowers:

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are also given in loving memory of **John Perestam** remembering his 80th birthday from his loving wife, Linda.



August 28-September 3		
Tuesday	CHOW	1:15PM
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist with Healing Service	9:30AM
Thursday	Bible Study	9:00AM
	CHOW	3:45PM
Sunday	Holy Eucharist	8 & 10AM

Bible Study

Thursdays, 9:00 A.M.



Bible Study continues on Thursday mornings. This is an informal way of studying the Scripture readings for each upcoming Sunday. Please come to the Conference room, enjoy a cup of coffee and lend your thoughts as to what you feel God is saying to us.

Movin' On Luncheon

Monday, September 11th, at Noon

The Movin' On Lunch will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month. All widows and widowers are invited to share in this time of food and fellowship at noon in Fellowship Hall.



Wanted: School Supplies

Please consider helping our CHOW clients who will be looking for school supplies for their children. Backpacks and other items may be placed in either box at the rear of the church or in the office. If you would like to know what the Union-Endicott School District is asking of the kids (where most of our CHOW clients go) please check the list above the box on the back pew.



Mercy House 4th Annual Gala of Taste

Thursday, October 26th

Mercy House of the Southern Tier's 4th Annual Gala of Taste will be held Thursday, October 26th, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Center, Endicott. All proceeds benefit Mercy House. Plan to enjoy: Regional Wineries, Local Craft Beers, Local Food, Silent Auction, Raffles, Entertainment and more! The cost is \$75 per person. **Ticket sales begin on Tuesday, September 12th.** New this year...you will be able to purchase your Gala tickets online at www.mercyhousesoutherntier.com. Hope to see you there!

Liturgical Ministers 8/27

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. Bill Lutz
	Lay Assistant	Jennifer Westermann
	2 nd Reading	Garvin Alexander
	Chalice	Chip Kinne
	Usher(s)	Bill Dieffenbacher
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. Bill Lutz
	Lay Assistant	Georgia Wilber
	1 st Reading	Suzanne Pettit
	2 nd Reading	Bob Pettit
	Chalice	Barb Dailey
	Acolyte(s)	Ruthie Koerts & Kristin Walton
	Altar Guild	Jennifer Westermann (8) Sue Hankey (10) Sue Hankey (linens)
	Counters	Jack Westermann & Chauncey Depew
	Usher(s)	Ken Kidder & Eunice Barton

Liturgical Ministers 9/3

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Crosswaite
	Lay Assistant	John Westermann
	2 nd Reading	Luther Chergosky
	Chalice	Jane Parker
	Usher(s)	Lee and June Palmer
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Crosswaite
	Lay Assistant	Ruthie Koerts
	1 st Reading	Judy Shannon
	2 nd Reading	Kelly Parker Seeley
	Chalice	Karen Cahill
	Acolyte(s)	Meghan Walton, Kristin Walton, Jordan Jones, Aiden Browning
	Altar Guild	Donna Williams (8) Debbie Wirag (10) Debbie Wirag (linens)
	Counters	Bob Pettit & Suzette Walton
	Usher(s)	Scott Kidder & Ken Kidder

Pray for those in need of our prayers: Bill Krska, Nadine Maruca, Lew Jones, Becky Cizike, Domicelia Dickinson, Midge Wieland, Pat Roberts, Mary Buffum, Anthony Langevin (grandson of Scotty Race), Diana Palmer (friend of Sylvia Fulk), Mike Baran (friend of Suzanne & Bob Pettit), Susan Chergosky, Bob Russell and Dick Russell (both cousins of Sandy Schwab), Bonnie Mider (friend of Lynn Freeman), Russ Race (husband of Scotty Race), Lynne Gosart (friend of Toni Van Order), Janet Kroculich, Barbara Bowman (Christiana Dahlberg), Ann Kotasek (friend of Connie Hess), Louise Pierce, Heinz Schwab (brother of Dick Schwab), Bernice McManus (friend of Dolly Chergosky, and Judy Finlayson).



We pray for those serving in our military: Matthew Cole, Douglas French, Kevin Bradley, Daniel Sanoja, Brandon Marcello, Grant Cuprak, Danielle Ullman, Michael Kakusian, and Megan Shierly.

Christian Formation News

Sunday, September 17th

“Faith Formation is more than a subject to be taught – it is an invitation to a way of life.” – Joe Paprocki

As August winds down we look forward to the continuation of our Christian formation. **Sunday School** for those age 3 through middle school will begin on Sunday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m. They will rejoin their families during the Peace.

For the **“Rector’s” Forum**, Barb Dailey will present a series on the journeys and teachings of the Apostle Paul. High school aged and up are invited to attend. Coffee and doughnuts will be available.

Bishop Duncan-Probe: Hatred, racism, anti-Semitism, and the dehumanization of others have no place in our common life.



Dear People of Central New York,

During my time of Sabbath, I too have witnessed last week's events in Charlottesville, Virginia with a heavy heart. Hatred, racism, anti-Semitism, and the dehumanization of others have no place in our common life. Our Christian faith professes that all people are created by God and in the image of God. As I watched our fellow Episcopalians in Charlottesville peacefully praying and standing in opposition to blind hatred, I felt resolved that we will be just as courageous in our own diocese and local communities. The sins of racism, anti-Semitism and dehumanization are not confined by geography or political opinion.

As Christians, we begin with repentance, returning to the way of God. It is too easy to insist that racism, anti-Semitism and dehumanization are sins belonging to others. Indeed, as last week's events unfolded, many of us felt the sting of hatred and blame rising in our own hearts alongside grief. But our savior is a Middle-Eastern Jew who commands us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to forgive our enemies, and to serve one another. As Episcopalians, we have taken vows to resist evil, to seek and serve Christ in all persons, and to honor the dignity of every human being. We cannot profess to be faithful to the God of love if we do not address the sin in our own hearts.

None of us are perfect. All of us need forgiveness and restoration. Still, I encourage you to beware of making false equivalencies between white supremacy, Nazism, Neo-Nazism and fascism, which have resulted in the torture and senseless slaughter of millions, and those who stand in opposition to this violence. In World War II, many of our brave men and women fought to defeat an evil that now seeks expression in our own country. We must be clear: this cannot be tolerated.

The words we speak and our conduct are the ways we express our faith. Now is a time for honest self-reflection. Has fear prevented us from forming relationships or supporting our neighbors? Have we or those we know made jokes or casual remarks that may perpetuate hate and negative stereotypes? Have we benefited from systems and practices that favor us, not counting the cost to others? The hard truth

is that all of us dehumanize others from time to time; in some way viewing “them” as substandard to “us.” But if we say we love God, we must repent. I John 4:20 tells us:

If anyone says, I love God, and hates a brother or sister, he is a liar, because the person who doesn't love a brother or sister who can be seen can't love God, who can't be seen. (CEB)

There can be no doubt: these times in which we live are very, very difficult. Fear is all around us. Many people, ourselves included, are afraid, confused, and struggling to find the right path forward. There is great temptation to polarize, expressing our fear in anger and division rather than seeking God's healing and grace. Let us hold one another in prayer, and determine that together we will live our faith in ways that speak to the power of love over hate. There are many faithful responses, so let us affirm one another in responding to the Spirit's work within us. I pray we will remember who we are, and, more importantly, whose we are. God, our Creator, is faithful; Jesus continues to be the light that cannot be overcome by the darkness of this present time. We need not be afraid.

My dear friends, our help is in the name of the Lord so be bold, be vigilant, stay alert, and live as ambassadors for Christ. Share God's eternal life-giving love with the world.

In closing, I offer this prayer:

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP, p. 823)

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bishop DeDe". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe
Bishop of Central New York



Part-time Teacher Needed

We now have an opening for a part-time teacher for our “Middle” (8 to 9 year olds) Sunday School class. This would not be a weekly commitment, only once or maybe twice a month. The curriculum is very user-friendly and the kids are a delight! Please see Jennifer Westermann for more information.



Jennifer S. Westermann
Christian Education Chair

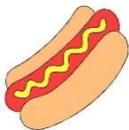
It is Merry Mowing Time!



Fall is soon approaching, but mowers are still needed to keep the grounds neat and tidy. A self-propelled mower is in the shed; a calendar sign-up sheet is on the table in the back of the church. If it is convenient for your schedule, the ideal mowing days are Thursday through Saturday so the lawn looks nice for Sunday. Your help would be greatly appreciated! ☺

“Start-Up Sunday” Hot Dog Roast

Sunday, September 10th, 11:00 AM



Come, one and all, for a parish-wide Hot Dog Roast and an overview of our Fall programs. You’ll hear about our Christian Formation programs as well as our music programs for both youth and adults. A Free Will basket will be out but you may not put in more than \$2.00/person! Classes and youth music rehearsals will begin on Sunday, September 17th.