



The Fledgling--Week of August 3, 2018

From Mother Megan:

For the next few weeks, I'd like to try something new. Each week in the Fledgling, I'd like to spotlight one of our ministries at St. John's, in the run-up to the start of the program year.

And remember to mark your calendars for the big Ministry Fair on September 9th!

This week, it's time to meet **Lectors**, **LEMS**, and **Acolytes**

- If you have a submission to the Fledgling, send it [to the office](#) by Thursday morning for inclusion on Friday.
Bulletin announcements should be into the office by Wednesday morning. If you know of someone who would
- like to receive the Fledgling, please send their email [to the office](#).

It takes a surprising number of people to make our liturgy happen on Sunday mornings. A priest alone cannot perform the Eucharist; it also takes people who read (lectors!), people who help carry things (acolytes!) and people who help serve communion (LEMs!) Each one of these jobs is important, and each job offers a chance to contribute meaningfully to our shared worship. If you're intimidated, don't worry--we will happily train you. None of these jobs are difficult in the least. If you'd like to be involved, please contact [Pam Talbott](#) for more information.

Prayer for the coming week

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Happening this Sunday:

- This Sunday is Mass on the Grass! One service at 10am at the Large Pavilion at Stewart Park. See you there!

Stewardship is the spiritual practice of giving back to God from what God has given us; it's how we spend our resources: our time, talents, energy and money. Intentional practices around stewardship are important parts of our faith and how we follow Jesus—and there are many resources to get you started.

The Rev. Canon Carrie Schofield-Broadbent will lead five FREE “Stewardship as Spiritual Practice” workshops throughout the Diocese this August and September. Details and registration are available at stewardship-2018.eventbrite.com.

- **Thursday, August 16th, 7:00–9:00 p.m.**, St. James’ Church, 9 Williams Street, Clinton
 - **Wednesday, August 22nd, 1:00–3:00 p.m.**, Christ Church, 10 Henry Street, Binghamton
 - **Thursday, August 23rd, 1:00–3:00 p.m.**, by webinar or at the Diocesan Offices, 1020 7th North Street, Suite 250 (Annex), Liverpool.
 - **Wednesday, September 12th, 7:00–9:00 p.m.**, St. Matthew’s Church, 14 Church Street, Moravia.
(Mtr Megan is going to this one, if you'd like to carpool!)
 - **Thursday, September 20th, 7:00–9:00 p.m.**, Church of the Resurrection, 120 West 5th Street, Oswego.
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Ongoing Concerns:

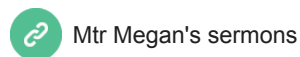
YOUTH PICNIC Join the Diocese for a FREE summer picnic for youth in grades 6 through 12 (including entering 6th-graders and graduating seniors) at the Cayuga Nature Center in Ithaca. The picnic starts on August 18th at noon and lasts until 5:00 p.m. Please bring a side dish to pass (we'll provide the BBQ) and wear close-toed shoes for the team-building challenge! Online registration & completed medical release form are required by August 11th. CNYEpiscopal.org

Questions? Please contact Tory and Kristen Blum, Co- Coordinators of Youth Ministry for the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York, at (607) 743-9229 or tblum@cnyepiscopal.org.

CHANCEL CHOIR resumes on Thurs, Sept. 6, and welcomes newmembers of all ages! The group sings weekly in worship, offering a wide variety of anthems and supporting our congregational hymns, psalms, responses and service settings. For more info, please visit the music page on the St. John's website, or get in touch with our Director of Music (Karen Hindenlang) via the church office or at the organ bench after services.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN On Saturday, September 15, 2018, 7:00 PM thrill to the music of Margaret Wakeley, Molly MacMillen, Alice Saltonstall, Doug Robinson, and Mike Wellen at St. Catherine of Siena Church to benefit Feed My Starving Children. The theme for this years program is "What The World Needs Now..."

Admission is \$20 per person, \$5 for students under 18. Also, please bring either dry food, personal hygiene or paper products to go to the local food bank. Join us in feeding the hungry and put a little love back into the world.



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