



## The Fledgling--Week of August 10, 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 **Coffee Hour Hosts!**

Coffee hour following the services is one of the beloved traditions of our church; so have you ever wondered how exactly it happens each week?

The answer lies in a team of dedicated volunteers, who provide food, as well as set up and clean up each week.

Through their ministry, the church is able to gather and socialize each week, newcomers can be welcomed, the lonely can be greeted and welcomed, and all can be fed. If you are willing to help out one Sunday with this task, you don't even have to provide food--just a pair of helpful hands during clean up!

Please contact Sara VanLooy or Pam Talbott for more information.

- **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](#).**

## Prayer for the coming week

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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## Thank you!

- Thanks to everyone who made Mass on the Grass such a success last week! We had a ball!
- This week, we will be back in the Nave, with two services at 8am and 10am. See you then!

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## Mark your calendars:

Mother Megan's Celebration of New Ministry will be on September 24, at 7pm. This is the official liturgy to welcome her as the new rector, with Bishop DeDe presiding. Please plan to come and celebrate with us!

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](http://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

## 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](http://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](mailto:tblum@cnyepiscopal.org).

**CHANCEL CHOIR** resumes on Thurs, Sept. 6, and welcomes new members 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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