

The Beacon

June 2011

Karen Vliet, Editor

Hands Across the Table

Submitted by C. Joyce Ringleb

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On May 3, 2011 the door to the kitchen and the parish hall opened and in came a group of people to make a dinner. Who are these people and who are they cooking for? Well, it was the start of a mission that we the congregation at Saint James is a very large part.

The group is called "Hands Across The Table" and Saint James Episcopal Church has made this all possible with their open mind, heart, and all your prayers. The group is ecumenical and has worked very hard to reach out to the Laconia community.

This was the introduction to the group of volunteers and a thank you to Saint James for all their help in the future. The evening was hosted by the "Hands Across The Table" Ad Hoc Committee to thank the people who made this possible. First I want to thank Rev. Tobias Nyatsambo, Jeff Pearson and the Saint James Episcopal Church Vestry for meeting with me and listening to me asking for their help and prayers over this past year. You all made this vision that I had come true in the time that God wanted it to start. A special thanks to Dot Faulkner for attending all the meetings and giving me the encouragement that always came at just the right time.

At the volunteer dinner we had 66 people attend who are our base volunteer group. Tobias attended and gave a beautiful Blessing which made us feel welcome and assured us that the Lord Our God has put us in the right place to serve the Laconia community. The Vestry also attended and this didn't go unnoticed and made us all feel very welcome to your home.

Our mission is to feed all who are hungry in body and spirit. We do so willingly and with compassion and understanding.

Please join us on June 7, 2011 for our first dinner to the public and invite people you know if you like. The doors open at 5:00 PM and dinner is served from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Please come and help us grow in our mission to reach the Laconia community.



Voice of the Friendly Kitchen

Submitted by Ginny Hammond

On Tuesday, May 17th, St. James Friendly Kitchen "crew" was busy serving the noon meal to patrons. This is OUT REACH at its finest. The "crew" members doing a super job were Bill and Jean Baxter, Micheline Roy, Bernice Vincent and Bill Hammond. The dedication of the "crew" each month is beyond reproach. Patrons are ever so appreciative of the meal served and those members of the Parish who are the food donors.

The May meal consisted of spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad, Italian bread, chips, ice cream and iced tea, The accolades received by the "crew" were numerous as everyone served was very appreciative of their meal. St James "crew" served 47 hungry patrons along with 17 second helpings and even third helpings. Needless to say, only crumbs were left.

Parish food donors make all this possible, your OUT REACH support is the heart of the St James program at the Salvation Army. May food donors are singled out again: Andrea Shaffnit, Judy Farr, Karen Vliet, Mike Grant, Bob and Harriet Meade, Bill and Jean Baxter, Bill and Ginny Hammond, Joy Dickinson, Karin and Bob Salome, Bernice Vincent and Micheline Roy, Special thanks to Bob and Ginger Wells-Kay for the \$20 donation to the Friendly Kitchen food donor fund.

Be sure to check the June food donor listing on the bulletin board in the foyer. Parishioners are urged to consider signing up to volunteer, third Tuesday each month at the Salvation Army for just two hours 11-1. You'll have a self-giving time contributing to a needed worthwhile cause supporting the Salvation Army. Any questions, feel free to call Bill Hammond 524-3260.

International Film Series at Laconia Public Library

Last fall you were kind enough to publicize the showing of the film, "Killing Time," in your church newsletter. At that time you were welcoming of other community events of the same nature. I am sending this email in hopes that you will spread the word about an international film series at the Laconia Library. The first film, "The Visitor," was well received and sparked an enthusiastic follow-up discussion. The series is sponsored by the Laconia Human Relations Committee.

The next film is "In My Country" on June 6 at 6:30 pm at the Laconia Library. Starring Samuel L. Jackson and Juliette Binoche, it is "a beautiful and important film about South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission. It will engage and influence not only South Africans, but people all over the world concerned with the great questions of human reconciliation, forgiveness, and tolerance."

Martha Kruse

Bishop Search Discussion Forums

As part of our parish self study and discernment, the Bishop Search and Nomination Committee will facilitate group discussions during June. All Convocation/Convention delegates are encouraged to attend. These gatherings are also open to non-delegates so we are encouraged to spread the word to those within our congregations who might like to attend.

The hopes and opinions shared will assist in the creation of our diocesan profile. For more information visit: <http://search.nhepiscopal.org>

The discussion forum in the Lakes Region is on June 7 at St. Andrews-in-the-Valley, 687 Whittier Rd. Tamworth. NH. The business meeting will be at 7:00 pm. forum begins at 7:30.

Fun Funders

Submitted by Marcia Presher

Nine people attended the May meeting of Fun Funders. A big thank you goes out to Bill and Ginny Hammond for hosting, and for the delicious ice cream sundaes!! The group voted to pay for two of the emergency lights that the church recently had to replace. Our current savings account balance is \$607.50.

Our next meeting will be at 6:30 pm on Sunday, July 24 at Don Foudriat's. New members are always welcome! Please sign up on the sheet across from the church office and come and join the fun!

For more information, or if you need a ride, please contact Marcia Presher @ 528-6472.

Greetings from Friends

Judy and I had the pleasure of spending a couple of days with Molly and Bill Romer last week at their home on Martha's Vineyard. Despite the less than ideal weather, we enjoyed a tour of the Island and helped the Romers set up their cottage for the summer. We put out porch furniture and helped put up and plant window boxes and various planters.

Molly and Bill send their regards and think of St. James parishioners fondly. They visit their daughter every other weekend. She is on a medication that has improved her quality of life and is stable for the moment.

Karen Vliet

Dream Team

Submitted by Marcia Presher

The next meeting of the Dream Team will be on Sunday, June 5th after the 10 o'clock service. Come and share your thoughts and ideas for meeting the goals of St. James.

Goals:

In fulfillment of our mission statement "St. James Episcopal Church exists to proclaim God's love and serve in His name. We welcome all who seek to know and follow Christ" we will strive to accomplish the following goals:

- Be a diverse, inclusive, intentionally welcoming, and growing community.- Make Sunday worship more relevant and inspirationally motivating.
- Fully embrace Christian education for all ages.
- Reinstate the choir and develop a broader music program, including both traditional and contemporary forms of worship music.
- Increase St. James Church's organized outreach ministries within the greater community.

Summer Service Schedule

Beginning on June 5th, we will begin our summer service schedule with one service on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am.

The Saturday Service will remain the same, at 5:00 pm.

From the Front Office

Submitted by Nancy Carsen

June Anniversaries

- 3rd Rev Jonathan and Carol MacKenzie
- 5th Rob and Kelly Soboslai
- 9th Albert and Sheila Akerstrom
- 13th Bob and Harriet Meade
- 14th Herb and Janet Gray
- 18th Rev John and Ursula Allen
- 22nd Bob and Karin Salome
- 25th John and Nancy Boschetti

June Birthdays

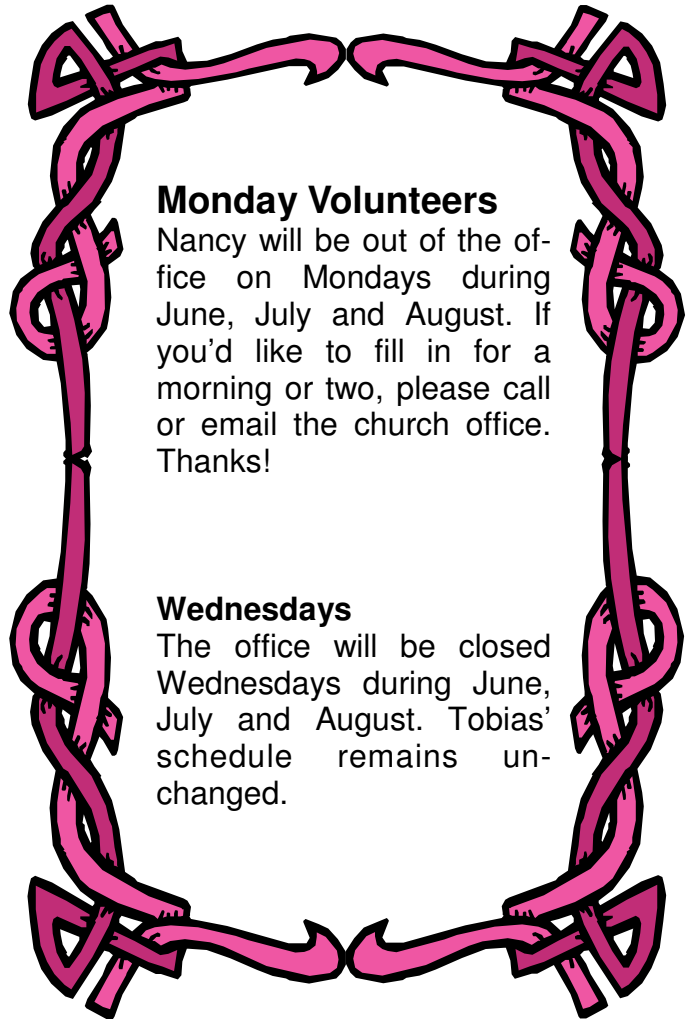
- 3rd Catharine Mallinson
- 3rd Andrea Schaffnit
- 3rd Gini Vagts
- 6th Julie Presher
- 6th Elaine Townsley
- 6th Michael Schaffnit
- 8th Micheline Roy
- 12th Adele Foster
- 19th Bud Nelson
- 20th Becky Fredette
- 22nd Scott Firth
- 23rd Karina Jacques
- 23rd Libby O'Flaherty
- 24th Elise Graton
- 28th Aniko O'Flaherty
- 30th Madison Eastman
- 30th Dick Gray

Have we missed your birthday or anniversary?

Please let the church office know, or add it to the listed posted on the foyer bulletin board.

Favorite Hymns

Do you have any favorite hymns you'd like to sing? Please email or phone in



Be Involved!

Friendly Kitchen

Parishioners may actively support this program by becoming a team leader, kitchen “crew” volunteer (third Tuesday of each month), food donor (sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in foyer), make a \$20 donation (individual, family or group) by signing on the donation sheet on the foyer bulletin board (make notation on check that it’s for Friendly Kitchen fund).

Contacts: Nancy Carsen, Parish Administrator

The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch meets on a Friday each month to eat lunch together at a local restaurant. At each meeting Don Foudriat asks for someone to be host for the next meeting. The host chooses the restaurant and makes the reservations.

Participants sign up to attend on the door in the vestibule opposite the church office.

Dates for Lunch Bunch are posted in the church bulletin each month.

Contact person: Don Foudriat-524-4789

St. James Youth Group

The Youth group is open to students in grades 7-12, All past and present members of St. James are invited to participate.

The group meets monthly for fun, fellowship and discussion. Watch the bulletin for meeting dates.



Contact persons: Karin and Bob Salome 524-7448

Fellowship

This committee is dedicated to bringing our parish family together. Our goals are to foster friendships, celebrate God, and to have fun.

Call Karin Salome 524-7448 or email karinsalome@metrocast.net with any ideas or to join in the planning fun.

Fun Funders

Fun Funders is a group of St. James Parishioners who generally meet one Sunday evening each month to enjoy fellowship, fun and delicious desserts. Our purpose is to get to know each other better, have a lot of fun, and help out with church finances and special projects. Five dollars per person is collected and meetings are typically held at the home of one of our members. New members are always welcome! Contact person, Marcia Presher.

Contact person: Marcia Presher 528-6472

Youth Group



What a fun hike to Rattlesnake Mountain in Holderness, NH! Once we got to the top we enjoyed a picnic lunch and talked about what we were grateful for. Awesome and thoughtful answers

Please plan ahead for Sunday June 26th at noon for a Youth Group get together with Father Tobias and his wife Rose. We'll have lunch at our house, 27 Orchard Street, then we'll play outdoor games such as basketball and cornhole beanbag toss.

July 10th will bring the Annual Summer Cookout for the entire St. James Church parish, including all of you, at our home. Please plan for a fun afternoon of games after having hotdogs and hamburgers beginning at noon.

Beginning July 12, the St. James Youth Group will be serving at Hands Across the Table. We will be doing this every other month. It will always be on a Tuesday, so please put this on your calendar!

Bring A Friend to any of the above or future activities.

The Youth Group also brainstormed ideas on how they could contribute to the matching fund as well. Once we have good weather, expect a car wash to be held at St. James on a beautiful sunny Sunday.

Lunch Bunch

Submitted by Don Foudriat

The May luncheon was held at the Lyon's Den Restaurant which overlooks a Lake Winnepesaukee harbor in Glendale. A picturesque and pleasant place to dine. Arrangements had been made by Bill Hammond and a dozen parishioners responded. The popular restaurant was crowded as there were other group luncheons present. Despite this, we were promptly and well served.

Attendees were unanimous in voting to support a request for a \$210 financial contribution to match a similar contribution from the Fun Funders group to replace emergency exit signs in the church to meet current building code requirements. A request for funds to update church computer software was tabled when members questioned whether the cost should be handled as a regular church expense.

The voluntary collection totaled twenty one dollars, which was added to the Lunch Bunch savings account along with a withdrawal on \$210 for the emergency signs: the account now has a balance of \$430.54.

The June luncheon was planned for Friday, the 24th, thus avoiding any possible motorcycle week interferences. The Cheseboughs agreed to be arrangers. The location will be announced in the weekly Church bulletin and posted in the sign up area. Plan to attend. Bring a friend. All are welcome.

St. James Nursery School "Pasghetti" and Meatball Supper Huge Success

The Pasghetti and Meatball supper held in the parish hall on May 6 was very successful with 170 people lining up to eat spaghetti with sauce made by Judy Farr, meatballs, salad, rolls, desert and beverage. The price was right and we believe the new signboard purchased by the Ladies Guild made many community members aware of the meal and increased the number of diners.

The Youth Group did a wonderful job serving at the event and once more we are very grateful to Karen Salome and the young people for their help.

The nursery school also had a very successful book sale the same night and will enable them to purchase more books for the school.

Thanks to all who supported this fundraising effort!

. St. James Episcopal Church Fellowship Committee

Submitted by Karin Salome

What fun we had on Saturday May 14th after the 5pm service with potluck and followed by movie night at 6:30pm. Thanks to the Holt family for the movie and the technology!

Save the date: **July 10** parish cookout. Games, burgers, hotdogs and so many other wonderful dishes!

Reminder: St. James is now a nut free zone. There are several members with life-threatening nut allergy's. Please review your list of ingredients. A preferred brand of products is posted in the parish hall, a list for you to take home is on the red desk. **Please read labels. If manufactured in facility where peanut products are made the item is not safe. It will say this on the label.**

Any questions please call or ask Jennifer Holt (934-9753)

Or Karin Salome (524-7448)

Reminder: if you are able to host please sign up on the calendar Ginger Wells-Kay put up on the door of the janitor closet to have Father Tobias and Rose over for a Sunday lunch with up to 4 other people so they can really get to know each one of us through the sharing of a simple meal with a few of us at a time.

The Fellowship Committee will meet again on **June 26 at 9:00 AM** following the 8:00 AM service. If you are unable to attend but have some thoughts, feel free to call Karin Salome (524-7448) or email: karinsalome@metrocast.net.



Holy God, we pray that you help us in our search for a new bishop. Guide the members of our Diocese charged with overseeing and implementing the search with skill and open hearts, and of managing the transition to a new bishop with sensitivity and grace. Inspire worthy servants of your church to stand bravely for election. Send your Holy Spirit upon the delegates who will vote for our next

bishop. Support our new bishop every step of the way, and give peace and knowledge of service well done to our retiring bishop, Gene. Give us all patience, wisdom, and that gracious hospitality of soul that allows us to hear your voice and see your face in each other, even when we differ. Through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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