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# November 2009

*Let us give thanks to God for all  
the gifts freely bestowed upon us*

*From A Litany of Thanksgiving in the Book of Common Prayer*

*Eucharist Celebration with the  
Presiding Bishop - Nov. 22*

*Deadline for tickets is Oct 30 (see page 10)*

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reach out to others and grow in faith.*

# St. James Episcopal Church November 2009 – Newsletter

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## Staff

Mr. Richard Lloyd – Minister of Music  
Rev. Jen DeWeerth – Minister of Children  
Mrs. Sharon Pick – Office Administrator  
Mr. Christopher Evans – Sexton



**Vestry:** Diane Baldwin, Mike Baldwin, Pat Evans, John Fehlner, Holly Horner,  
Don Neil, John Pick, Kathy White, Sharon Williams  
Heidi Philley (Senior Warden), Jim White (Junior Warden)

Sharon Pick – Vestry Clerk  
Jan Wilson – Treasurer  
Blair Jones – Assistant Treasurer  
Patricia Jue – Newsletter editor and Webmistress

## Leadership Group chairs

Parish Life - Wendy Weber and Randy Wilson  
Outreach - Karen Anderson  
Resource Management - Chair position is open  
Worship & Formation - Alistair Campbell  
Search Committee – Randy Wilson

## Regular Services of Worship

Saturday, 5:15pm Holy Eucharist or Evening Prayer  
Sunday, 9:30am Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer  
Nursery care provided  
Sunday School at 9:30am

## Vestry Corner

The Vestry members considered and passed the preliminary 2010 budget at the October meeting. It was presented to the congregation following the services on Oct. 17 and 18. Total pledges will have to increase approximately \$25,000 for St. James to continue to operate at the level we have come to expect. The financial health our church will be a consideration for any new rector interested in St. James. We ask that you prayerfully consider increasing your pledge for next year so that St. James can continue to do the good works that we have been given to do.

We commended the Finance Committee and the Stewardship Chair, Wendy Weber, for their efforts at keeping St. James on track financially. The vestry's goal is to make sure that worship and programs remain vital in our parish. Thank you to all who return their pledges in a timely manner.

Matt Weber reported for the search committee. Approximately 130 parish surveys were completed. The fact that so many people made the effort to share their vision for St. James is encouraging. Focus groups will now be organized to further define our vision of St. James.

Craig Heuss reviewed an updated pro forma report on the Lewis House to help the Vestry make an informed decision about what to do with the property. Conversation on the Lewis house is ongoing. The vestry hopes to make a decision before the 2010 Vestry has its first meeting.

The next Parish Life Pot Luck Supper will be November 7th at 6:15pm in the Parish Hall and will be hosted by the Philley's.

Chuck Horner from Property (formerly Resource) Management has been painting outside of the buildings; the back of the Nursery and the Parish Hall. Thanks, Chuck.

The Outreach Ministry group will have a Fall fundraiser at the November Pot Luck dinner. There will be a Craft Table. Outreach is sending \$2000.00 to Episcopal Relief and Development for Pacific Disaster relief.

The Diocesan Convention will be November 21 and 22, in Syracuse. The Presiding Bishop will celebrate Eucharist at the Convention on Sunday, Nov. 22. Everybody is welcome to attend. Free tickets will be available through the church office. The district has also chartered a bus to run from St. Stephens in New Hartford, the cost will be \$20, but the deadline for reserving a space is October 31<sup>st</sup>! (See page 11 for more information.)

The Wardens have completed the 2009 Staff Evaluations. The staff continues to see that life in the Parish runs smoothly and stays in tune, for which we are grateful. Thanks Richard, Chris, Jen and Sharon! And it is wonderful to have Rev. Peter Williams and Rev. Joell Szachara to lead us in worship on weekends.

Heidi Philley, Senior Warden  
And Jim White, Junior Warden



### Daylight savings time ends

Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 1, at 2 a.m. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to sleep on Saturday evening, or you will come to church an hour early on Sunday!

### 2010 Vestry

There are four positions open for the 2010 Vestry. Vestry terms are for three years. If you are interested in serving on the St. James Vestry please contact Jim White or Heidi Philley, our wardens.

## News from the Search Committee

The Search Committee sends along many thanks to every person who completed the recent Parish-wide survey. Your prayerful and thoughtful survey responses have been compiled and analyzed by Holy Cow! Consulting company.

We have received the "Vital Signs" report. On October 18<sup>th</sup>, the search committee discussed the document. Copies were distributed to the vestry on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

On October 25<sup>th</sup>, copies will be available at the church for you to look at. The entire document with the transcription of the commentary by Russ Crabtree, the Holy Cow! Consultant is available at <http://www.stjamesclinton.org/vital-signs-report> where you can view the report on the website, download a copy, or print it off.

If you would prefer, ask Matt Weber for a paper copy. This is a fairly lengthy document, so we ask that you either pick it up from the church, or ask that a member of the search committee or a Lay Eucharist Minister deliver it to you.

Further discussion on the survey results will take place in Focus Groups. Please take the time to look over the Vital Signs report on the survey response before attending a focus group. Whether you view the on-line version, or a paper copy, please take time to read the cover letter by the search committee and Russ Crabtree's comments. This will help give context to the data. If you have specific questions about the report, contact Randy Wilson, Matt Weber or Blair Jones.

The survey results and the insights gathered during the Focus Groups will allow the Search Committee's Profile Working Group to develop our Church Profile. The profile is our statement of who we are and how we envision our future path and growth. The profile must be adopted and approved by the Vestry, and also approved by the Diocese. The profile is then the basic document that is published through the National Church Deployment Office to attract potential rector candidate responses! Our aim is to have the profile ready at the beginning of the new year.

Yours in Christ,  
The Search Committee



### 130 people visited our CAT

Thank you to all 130 of you who completed the parish survey, also called Church Assessment Tool or CAT.

### About the Focus Groups

The Focus Groups are a continuation of our self-evaluation as St. James Episcopal Church, Clinton, NY. These Focus Groups, scheduled for late October and during the month of November, will consist of 8-10 people in each group. Each session will be about 90 minutes. Where possible, the focus groups will be hosted at various people's home, although a few will be held directly after worship service for those who find this more convenient.

A facilitator will lead each group, and a scribe will record the discussion points, and convey key points back to the search committee. Please know that everyone in a discussion group will have a chance to voice his/her thoughts, that it's ok to disagree, and that all information reported back to the search committee will be anonymous.



Canon Karen Lewis talks to us about the search process.

### About our Newsletter

Send items for the next St. James newsletter to [communications@stjamesclinton.org](mailto:communications@stjamesclinton.org) or place the item in the Newsletter/website mailbox. **Send articles for publication in the December issue by Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.**

# Worship and Formation

## Annual Altar Guild Meeting

November 7th, 2 pm

The Altar Guild will hold its annual meeting in the parish library. All current members and anyone interested in becoming a member are invited. Items for discussion include the altar schedule for the upcoming year, and the fair linen.

The "Altar Guild" is the traditional name for the group of people who prepare the altar (linen, candles and elements for Holy Eucharist) for the Saturday and Sunday services. Typically, we serve in pairs for four to eight weeks per year, working about 10-20 minutes each week. It is a great way to serve St. James, especially for those who not able to commit to monthly meetings, or who prefer to work "behind the scenes." Couples or a parent with a child might also want consider this ministry opportunity. Interested parishioners can contact co-chairs Mary Javorski and Patricia Jue, or simply come to the annual meeting

## Children's Activity Bulletins

Handouts for children ages 3-6 and for children ages 7-12 are available in the back of the church every Sunday. The children's bulletins contain items related to the weekly Bible reading. There are also some activities. Please feel free to take one for your children, either to work on during the service or to complete at home. Adults are invited to take one home to share with a young friend or for one's own fun and learning!

## Service Bulletins

In mid-October, we returned to our usual service bulletin which includes an outline of the service, announcements and prayer list. The bulletin helps guide us through the worship service found in the Book of Common Prayer, and the hymnals found in the two books, Hymnal 1982 and Wonder, Love and Praise.

Please remember that handling all of these items can be difficult for newcomers. Be helpful and welcoming!

## Eucharist Minister, Eucharist Visitor and Lector Workshop

November 15th

Following the morning worship service, there will be a workshop for Eucharist lay ministers and Eucharist visitors. The workshop will allow current Eucharistic lay ministers, and Visitors to renew their license, and allow serves to become licensed in this ministry. Lectors (those who read the Lessons) are also encouraged to attend. The workshop will be about 45 minutes long. For more information, contact Alistair Campbell or Heidi Philley.

## Spirituality Groups

The **Men's Group** meets on Friday mornings from 7:30-9am in the library. All men are invited to join in the (often lively) discussion.

The **Women's Spiritual Group** meets the first Monday of each month from 7:15 to -8:45pm.

The **Lectionary Group** meets on Wednesdays from Noon-1pm in the St. James library to reflect on the upcoming readings for worship.

## Handiwork Prayer Ministry Group

The Handiwork Prayer Ministry Group continues to meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 7:30pm in the All Saints Room of church. Anyone interested in knitting, crocheting, and quilting with others is welcome to come! Our primary focus is creating Prayer Shawls and Lap Robes for parish members and others that we know, who are in need of our prayers and comfort. Many lap robes and shawls have been delivered. Please let us know if you have someone who would appreciate our outreach. For more information, contact Terry Neil (859-1204) or Jan Wilson (737-8303).

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**The next Worship and Formation meeting is Tuesday, October 27 at 7pm in the St.**

**James library.** The group will plan Advent and Christmas events

# Children and Youth Ministry

## From Our Minister to Children

Thanks to the children and Rev. Peter Williams, we had a wonderful intergenerational worship on October 18. While we might sometimes think the world revolves around us (egocentrism), the reality is that God is the center of the universe and our lives. This is what the disciples learned from Jesus--that leaders are the ones who invite and serve others. We saw this truth unfold before our eyes with bright planets and comets and stars. What a joyful way to celebrate the end of our cycle on the twelve disciples!

Our unit on Samuel: The Boy Who Listened runs Oct. 25-Nov. 22. Then suddenly it is Advent (Advent begins on Nov. 29), and the children will have much to do in preparation for the incarnation of Christ! But before we get there, we will listen, like Samuel, for God's voice.

I would like our children to realize that listening is not just the kind of thing that teachers and parents demand. ("Listen to me when I talk! You need to hear these directions!") There is also listening in the "Biblical" sense: "Be still and know that I am God." Personally, I am not good at silent contemplation and stillness, and practically I've found any attempts simply incompatible with parenting young children. And so, I have had to turn the basic idea of the stillness into an active question: "God where are you in this situation?" and the follow-up: "God, what are you calling me to be or do in this moment?" Those are questions to last a lifetime. How can we help our children ask these questions? How can we help them listen for the whispering of God in their lives?

Jen DeWeerth  
Minister to Children

## Spiritual Care for Children and Adults Book Reviews

Each month, Jen DeWeerth reviews two books;; one for adults, one for children. However, this month, she wants to highlight two books that can be read by both adults and older children and teens--preferably together!

Some people have a "date" with their favorite TV show each week. For many years, the most important such "date" I had was a three minute slot alternating between mornings and afternoons on Mondays, when "This I Believe" would air on National Public Radio. Based on a 1950's radio series by the same name, the series gave voice to the personal philosophies of remarkable men and women--some famous, but most not. I've used those three minute essays in sermons and I've rushed to the website to read one I missed when my commute started late. When I taught confirmation a few years ago, the kids were each assigned to read an essay (I'd selected some good ones, mostly written by teens and young adults) and report back on it. Did they agree with the belief? Did they think it was a true or important belief? What were some of their own beliefs?

Sadly, the contemporary "This I Believe" series came to a close in April of 2009. But there are now two published collections of some of the best essays, *This I Believe* (2007) and *This I Believe II* (2008) (Jay Allison and Dan Gediman, ed.). The books are perfect of reading groups and faith-based groups. Some of the essays in the books (and many more available on the NPR website) were written by young people. While many of the deepest and most powerful insights and lessons come to us later in life, teenagers are often the most diligent and relentless searchers for truth, personal or otherwise. What are the truths and values that are good enough to last, they wonder, good enough to build my life on?

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The authors of these essays believe in being cool to the pizza dude, and in always going to the funeral.

They believe in resilience, community, forgiveness, love, and a little outrage. They believe in dancing, creativity, the potential for brutality in each one of us, and in semi-permanent hair dye. They believe that ordinary people can do extraordinary things, and that jazz is the sound of God laughing. If you have not read these books yet, I highly recommend them. I am on my second time around, and still, not sated.

## Treasurer's Corner

Thank you to all for keeping up with pledges. The third quarter pledge statements will be mailed at the end of October. Please let Jan Wilson know if you did not receive a statement. As always, if there is a question, or if you notice an error, please call the office or leave a note in Jan Wilson's box so that the error can be corrected.

To the right, you will find a synopsis of the projected budget for 2010 as approved by the vestry. You can find a complete version of the 2009/2010 budget comparison at the back of the church if you missed the presentations given after the worship services on October 17 and 18. You should also receive a copy of the complete projected budget with the stewardship letter sent in late October. If you do not receive a copy of the budget along with a pledge envelope, please call the church office to receive one, or simply use the pledge form on the following page.

Jan Wilson,  
Treasurer

**"...Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously according to your means."**

Sirach 35: 7-10

### 2010 BUDGET PROJECTION

Income	Jan - Dec 10	
Investment Income budgeted	17,820	
Couper Funds Income Budgeted	8,980	
Plate Donations	20,000	
<b>Pledges</b>	<b>184,067</b>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>230,867</b>	
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Expenses	projected	for 2010
Supply Clergy	750	
Diocesan Assessment	21,640	
Discretionary Fund	750	
Outreach	10,000	
Insurance/Security	8,960	
Utilities & Telephone	23,700	
Office/Stewardship Supplies	6,500	
Altar and Worship and Music	5,121	
Parish Life	2,130	
Christian Formation	1,770	
Facility Maintenance	13,500	
Repair- Replace Fund Reserve	6,000	
Rector Salary Package	83,714	
Other Staff	46,332	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>230,867</b>	

### Key Points About the Budget

- We need to budget as if we have a full time rector. This is so we are ready when we call a rector. It also shows prospective rectors that we are a healthy, faithful community. The minimum full time rector salary is \$50,000, with a total package of approximately \$83,000. (Search committee expenses will be drawn from the rector salary.)
- There are very discretionary items that could be cut if pledges fall short of the anticipated needs. Where would you suggest cuts if we are unable to meet our pledge goal of \$184,067?
- Much of our outreach budget is drawn from interest income from the Couper Funds Endowment, which is earmarked specifically for this purpose. Do you feel God's call for you is to pledge more so your pledge can help St. James be a greater presence in the local community and the world?
- The projected \$20,000 plate donations is lower than 2009 since only \$11,000 of the expected \$28,500 has been donated to date. During times of transition, there is naturally a decrease in attendance and thus in plate donations.
- The facility maintenance includes the expected maintenance required for all of our buildings (Church, Rectory, and Lewis House).

**St. James needs your financial support. Please prayerfully consider increasing your annual pledge as you are able.**

## From our Chair of Stewardship

As you read this, we will be near the end of our Stewardship Campaign. We were privileged to hear two outstanding sermons by Father Pete. In the first, he talked about all things coming from God and that we should return a portion of God's bounty back to Him (Oct 10/11). The next week, the message behind the children's sermon was that Jesus calls us all to be servants (Oct 18). I feel that, in reality, St. James Church is the way to answer that call. Finally, Jan Wilson gave a budget presentation that indicated that the quality of the rector that we are about to call will be determined by the amount you contribute. By the end of the month, you will have received a pledge card in the mail. You are asked to contemplate, to pray, and to act and to return your pledge card by November 15. Alternatively, feel free to use the form below. - Wendy Weber

### 2010 PLEDGE CARD

For all things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

1 Chronicles 29:14

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address(es) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Grateful for God's blessings, I/we make the following financial commitment to support the mission of St. James in 2010.

**Total Commitment for 2010 \$** \_\_\_\_\_  I would like envelopes

I/we plan to make our offerings  weekly  monthly  quarterly  one payment

One of my/our greatest blessings is \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return by November 15th to: St. James' Episcopal Church, 9 Williams St., Clinton, NY 13323**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

#### WEEKLY GIVING GUIDE

Annual Income	Weekly Income	Lower Range		Middle Range			Upper Range			Tithe		
		1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	12%
\$16,000	\$308	\$3	\$6	\$9	\$12	\$15	\$18	\$22	\$25	\$28	\$31	\$37
\$20,000	\$385	\$4	\$8	\$12	\$16	\$19	\$23	\$27	\$31	\$35	\$38	\$46
\$25,000	\$481	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$24	\$29	\$34	\$38	\$43	\$48	\$58
\$30,000	\$577	\$6	\$12	\$18	\$24	\$29	\$35	\$41	\$46	\$52	\$58	\$69
\$35,000	\$673	\$7	\$13	\$20	\$26	\$34	\$40	\$47	\$54	\$61	\$67	\$81
\$40,000	\$769	\$8	\$15	\$23	\$30	\$38	\$46	\$54	\$62	\$69	\$77	\$92
\$45,000	\$865	\$9	\$17	\$26	\$34	\$43	\$52	\$61	\$69	\$78	\$86	\$104
\$50,000	\$962	\$10	\$19	\$29	\$38	\$48	\$58	\$68	\$77	\$87	\$96	\$115
\$60,000	\$1,154	\$12	\$23	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$69	\$81	\$92	\$104	\$115	\$138
\$75,000	\$1,442	\$15	\$29	\$44	\$58	\$72	\$86	\$101	\$115	\$130	\$144	\$173
\$100,000	\$1,923	\$19	\$38	\$57	\$76	\$96	\$115	\$135	\$154	\$173	\$192	\$230
\$125,000	\$2,404	\$24	\$48	\$72	\$96	\$120	\$144	\$169	\$192	\$216	\$240	\$288
\$150,000	\$2,885	\$29	\$58	\$87	\$116	\$144	\$173	\$203	\$231	\$260	\$288	\$345
\$200,000	\$3,846	\$39	\$77	\$116	\$154	\$192	\$230	\$270	\$308	\$346	\$384	\$460

## Appreciating and Valuing The Best of “What Is St. James”

### I was/am especially proud of St. James ...

- ...when we had the Blessings of the Animals in the village park last year. It is an example of how St. James is important in this community.
- ...when the power went out in June during a Saturday service, people opened the windows, got candles and the choir continued to sing *a capella*. The power of the Holy Spirit was working even though the electricity was not.
- ...when the children sing – that we have a children’s choir.
- ...Easter when we ring the bells and celebrate.
- ...the roof dedication on Pentecost Sunday when we celebrated God, the Holy Spirit...and the crabapple tree flowers rained down on us.
- ...when Cameron Fest took the youth group to Mon valley, when Karen Anderson helped in the Katrin recovery, when our youth baked pies, when we serve at Hope House and the Rescue Mission, every time we deliver food to the Country Pantry, our medical missions to El Salvador – we show Christ to the World.
- ...often, because it is a welcoming, giving, faithful parish.



### I keep coming to St. James because....

- ...when my husband and I moved here, we walked into a beautiful church, with a wonderful, caring friendly congregation.
- ...of the liturgy, the community of giving.
- ...the open mindedness of the congregation.
- ...the spiritual renewal I get from this place.
- ...if the fellowship, worship, outreach and spiritual growth I feel here.
- ...the great music and choir.
- ...St. James truly tries to live its mission statement  
(A short compilation of your responses)

## About the Organ Postlude and Bass Notes From our Minister of Music

Every now and then I will begin the organ postlude by playing a complete hymn or part of a hymn. I will then play the actual postlude. When I do this, I am challenging those who are listening to discover the hymn melody within that postlude. This is because I am playing a chorale prelude. In a chorale prelude, a particular hymn tune is varied in many different ways throughout the piece, and it can be challenging to hear the original; but often, the tune, in a very recognizable form, will also be occurring in one of the parts. And all at the same time!

Such is the case with *Lobe den Herren*, by J. G. Walther, which I played on October 11<sup>th</sup>, and which is based on the very familiar hymn “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (#390). In this piece, the unvaried hymn tune is played in the pedals, explaining why I made that sound quite strong. At the same time this melody is occurring, the upper parts are performing variations on the melody.

It should be mentioned that Walther’s version of the hymn tune is slightly different from ours. However, it is only 3 notes that are changed, near the beginning (seen in brackets). The 1<sup>st</sup> version below is the familiar one, the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Walther’s version:

Whereas often people think the function of the bass line (or pedal notes) is simply to support the melody and harmonies found in the upper parts, there are many examples, and this is one, where the pedals contain the melody. And when this happens, all the variations of that melody found in the upper parts just add to the fun....

If you wish to hear a performance of this piece by another organist, go to this address:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zfpkeAV3e0s>.  
And make sure to listen to the bass notes!

Richard Lloyd  
Minister of Music

## Pageant News

Come One, Come All  
Answer the call,  
Help St. James present the best pageant of all.

In the season of Advent  
On the second Sunday of Advent  
A presentation of our new pageant  
**“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”**

Casting Call begins immediately.  
8 male speaking parts  
2 female speaking parts  
Little angels  
Angel choir, many voices  
Wardrobe assistants  
Prop makers  
Stagehands

Rehearsals begin the first week of November  
Time and dates to be announced.

Advent II, Sunday, December 6, 2009  
9:30am  
St. James Episcopal Church

To volunteer, contact  
Sandra Love or the church office



We learn about egocentrism – when someone thinks the earth, moon, sun and stars revolves around him or her- and the reality of God as the center of the universe and our lives, during the October 18<sup>th</sup> intergenerational service.

## Parish Life

### Potluck Dinner

**Saturday, November 7th at 6:15pm**

Our next potluck dinner is Saturday, November 7th at 6:15pm, following the Saturday evening service. Sign-up sheets have been posted in the back of the church and in the Parish Hall. All are invited to come to this time of food and fellowship so that those who attend Saturday and Sunday services can enjoy this time together. We will pass a basket for free-will donations to help defray the cost of beverages and tableware supplies.

The December potluck dinner will be on the 12<sup>th</sup>, again following the Saturday evening services. We need “hosts” (a family or a couple of people) to coordinate this event, arrange for setting the tables and gather others to assist with making beverages and to help with clean-up. Please contact the church office, Randy Wilson, Kathy White or Holly Horner if you are interested in helping out.



The J\_\_\_ girls provided dance entertainment at the October potluck dinner. Notice the time line in the background.

### Church Directories

The Church directories are ready. If you have not picked up your photo directory, you may do so at the church office. Many thanks to Pat Evans, Sharon Havlovic and all the others who worked on this directory. It is a beautiful publication.



Looking at the directory at the October potluck.

## Our Community

### St. James Day School

We are enjoying the new play house a lot and hope the church members are too. Please remember that children should always be supervised by an adult and that people should stay off the sandbox cover.

November themes at the Day School revolve around harvest and giving thanks. We have fun learning about cornucopias and will have a mini "feast" to celebrate Thanksgiving. Also, the students bring in canned fruits and vegetables for show & tell; we count and sort them and then give them to the food bank.

If you are doing any shopping at the Village Toy Shop in the New Hartford Shopping Center, please tell them that you want to support St. James' Day School. A percentage of what you spend will go into the "bank" for us and at the end of the school year we will have credit to spend on items for the classroom. Thanks!

Cindy Wirene,  
Day School

### "Ray of Hope" quilt

Raffle tickets are available for this quilt make by Kathryn Mowry to benefit the Rome Rescue Mission. Tickets are \$3 for one, \$5 for two and \$10 for three and may be purchased during the Sunday coffee hour, or at the Clinton Coffee Café on College Street. The drawing will be held at the Rome Rescue Mission Holiday Open House on December 13<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be notified and need not be present to win.



Detail of the quilt

## "The Color is Purple" Diocesan Convention November 21-22, Holiday Inn, Liverpool



St. James is part of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York. This year's Diocesan Convention is very special as the Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori will attend. As the presiding Bishop, she is the chief pastor and leader of the Episcopal Church.

The Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori was elected in 2006, and is the first woman elected to this level in the worldwide Anglican Communion. She has been vocal about the Episcopal Church's mission priorities, including the UN Millennium Development Goal, domestic poverty, and climate change and care for the earth. She was an oceanographer before she was ordained in 1994.

### October 30 deadline Eucharistic Celebration

The entire Diocese is invited to participate in the worship service with the Presiding Bishop as the celebrant and preacher. The Sunday, November 22nd Eucharistic Celebration begins at 10:30 am; a reception follows. Tickets are required; please let Heidi Philley or Wendy Weber know of your interest **by October 30**. Just as when we celebrated the ministry of Jenny Montgomery, we wore red, for this event the color is purple.

### Special Transportation

The Utica/Rome District is sponsoring a bus to and from the service. The bus leaves St. Stephen's Church in New Hartford promptly at 8:30am. People will be dropped off at the Holiday Inn in Liverpool with plenty of time before the service. You can visit the Exhibit Hall, find seats and visit with others. The bus will leave at 1:15p, after the service and reception, bringing everyone back to St. Stephen's Church. The cost is \$20. Checks should be made out to St. Stephen's Church, 25 Oxford Rd, New Hartford (memo PB BUS) and **must be received by October 30<sup>th</sup>**. If you reserve a place on the bus, the staff at St. Stephen's will arrange your ticket; you do not need to get one yourself.

## Outreach

### Outreach News

In October, the Outreach group approved a matching donation to Project Freedom (Moses Agapito's efforts to build a school and a hospital in his home town in Africa). The plate collection from the weekend of the U2Charist was \$658 and Outreach matched that with a \$650 donation.

We are continuing to support the St. James Day School with \$1600 to go toward helping three different families with partial scholarships for their children's tuition. This is an ongoing commitment by the Outreach Group and we are very pleased to once again help provide a wonderful pre-school experience for children in our community.

We made donations to Episcopal Relief and Development (ER&D) to help typhoon and earthquake victims in the Asian Pacific. We also made a \$300 donation the Utica area Red Cross to assist with the local fire victims. We are donating \$300 to Angel Tree, an organization that buys Christmas gifts for children of adults who are incarcerated. We are also donating \$100 to Clinton Central Schools to purchase gift cards for local businesses to be distributed to needy Jr. and Sr. High students.

### Calling All Artists!

The Outreach leadership group would like to sell some clothing items with a St. James logo. All the proceeds of the clothing items will support outreach activities. The only requirements are that the logo include the words " St. James' Episcopal Church, Clinton". Please submit your artwork in color by placing it in the box in the Parish Hall by November 29<sup>th</sup>. Make sure your name is attached to the back of the artwork so that we can give credit to the winning logo. Our hope is to screen print and/or embroider the logo on clothing items such as T-shirts, sweat shirts and fleece jackets. Each person can submit more than one logo, so be as creative as you want. In most cases – simple is better when it comes to logos. Any questions, please talk to Karen Anderson. .

### Snack Pack Project

We are sending snack boxes to college students and those deployed in military service overseas.

We invite all to join with us by donating:

- Home made cookies and brownies.
- Small packets of cookies or snack food
- Breakfast bars and trail mix packs
- Small packets of raisins or nuts
- Other health snacks

See [http://www.stjamesclinton.org/snack\\_list](http://www.stjamesclinton.org/snack_list) for a more complete list.

Drop off items in the parish hall on November 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>, so they can be sent out on November 9<sup>th</sup>. We assemble the snack boxes after coffee hour on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to help! All are invited to sign the cards that will be sent with the goodies.



For the servers page, please look at the  
PDF link on [www.stjamesclinton.org/newsletter](http://www.stjamesclinton.org/newsletter)

# November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>October 25</b> <b>Appreciation Sunday</b> 9:30am Morning Prayer and Church School (nursery provided) 10:45am Coffee Fellowship, Children's choir and Parish Life meeting	<b>October 26</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics 7:30 pm Handiwork ministry	<b>October 27</b> 8pm AA 7pm Worship and Formation meeting	<b>October 28</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal 7pm Special Vestry and Interim meeting	<b>October 29</b> 7:30 pm Adult choir rehearsal 8pm AA	<b>October 30</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>October 31</b> 5:15pm Holy Eucharist
	the Ellison family	Randy and Mary Anne Ericson	Bruce and Sharon Evans	Chris and Carrie Evans	The David Evans family	Tom and Pat Evans
<b>Nov1: All Saints Day</b> 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Church School (nursery provided) 10:45am Coffee Fellowship and Children's choir	<b>November 2</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics 7:15-8:45pm women's spirituality group	<b>November 3</b> 8pm AA	<b>November 4</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal	<b>November 5</b> 7:30 pm Adult choir rehearsal 8pm AA	<b>November 6</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>November 7</b> 2pm Altar Guild meeting 5:15pm Holy Eucharist 6:15pm Fellowship Pot Luck dinner
	John and Mimi Fehlner	Helen Ford	Chris and Pat Fox	Jean Frost	Mark Fuller	Mark and Danielle Furlong
<b>November 8</b> 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Church School (nursery provided) 10:45am Coffee Fellowship, Snack Box ministry and Children's choir	<b>November 9</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics 7pm ABC board meeting 7:30 pm Handiwork ministry	<b>November 10</b> 9:30am Clinton Garden Club 8pm AA	<b>November 11</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal 7pm vestry meeting	<b>November 12</b> 7:30 pm Adult choir rehearsal 8pm AA	<b>November 13</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>November 14</b> 5:15pm Holy Eucharist
	Roger and Jill Gates	the Garcia family	Jennifer Geiger	the Havlovic family	the Hayes family	Tom and Jill Hebert
<b>November 15</b> 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Church School (nursery provided) 10:45am Coffee Fellowship and Children's choir 10:45am LEM, EV and Lector's meeting	<b>November 16</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics <b>Newsletter articles due</b>	<b>November 17</b> 8pm AA	<b>November 18</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal	<b>November 19</b> 9:30am to noon Foothills Weaving & Fibers Art 7:30 pm Adult choir rehearsal 8pm AA	<b>November 20</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>November 21</b> 5:15pm Evening Prayer  <b>DIOCESAN CONVENTION</b>
	the Hecklau family	Craig and Kathy Heuss	Edith Hoag	Chuck and Holly Horner	Richard Howarth	the Huggins family
<b>November 22</b> 9:30am Morning Prayer 10:45am Coffee Fellowship <b>EUCCHARIST CELEBRATION; Syracuse</b> 5:30pm search committee	<b>November 23</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics 7:30 pm Handiwork ministry	<b>November 24</b> 8pm AA	<b>November 25</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal	<b>November 26</b> <b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b> 8pm AA	<b>November 27</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>November 28</b> 5:15pm Holy Eucharist
	Helen Hurd	Ken and MaryLou Iles	the Isserman family	Helen Jeffrey	Ted and Janet Johnson	the Gordon Jones family
<b>November 29: ADVENT I</b> 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Church School (nursery provided) 10:45am Coffee Fellowship	<b>November 30</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics	<b>December 1</b> 8pm AA	<b>December 2</b> 9am, 10 am & 6pm Aerobics Noon-1 pm Lectionary reflection group 6:15-9pm Tapestry Rehearsal 7pm Advent Vespers	<b>December 3</b> 7:30 pm Adult choir rehearsal 8pm AA	<b>December 4</b> 7:30am Men's Study Group	<b>December 5</b> 5:15pm Holy Eucharist
	Carol Jones	Bill and Jeanne Kay	Chuck and Cynthia Kershner	Beverly King	Dorothy King	Mimi Kingsley

