

## View from Your Warden

We here at St. Andrew's are uniquely able to relate to the gospel lesson from Mark 4: 26-34. It is especially appropriate that this was the gospel lesson for our Youth Recognition Sunday. Mark's parable is about the harvest and describes the process of planting, waiting for growth and harvesting the crops. We see this all around us at this time of year as we travel to St. Andrew's, as farmers prepare their fields for their crops. And we see it in the lives of the children in our congregation as they find their way in their own spiritual lives.

As in our lives, once the planting is done, a bit of mystery enters the equation. Even with fertilizing, watering and caring for the plants and each other, it is out of the hands of humans. Growth is a part of God's blessings, and although we are sometimes impatient, God's schedule is not ours, but we need to be ready and waiting for when the harvest comes.

Consider taking a little time this summer to nurture yourselves and your life in Christ. The relative downtime of summer worship allows everyone to take a deep breath and really enjoy the beauty of our liturgy, whether it is Morning Prayer or the Holy Eucharist. We all need to plant a seed, take care of it and wait upon the Lord for what comes next. Have a happy, safe summer!!!

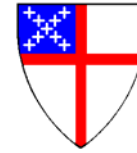
Peace in Christ,  
- Stacy Lampman

### July Birthdays

1 <sup>st</sup>	William Belein	18 <sup>th</sup>	Chandler Webster
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mark Vogt	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Kathy Seeloff
10 <sup>th</sup>	Bonnie Wintersteen	24 <sup>th</sup>	Tish Gooding
14 <sup>th</sup>	Melissa Bedford	25 <sup>th</sup>	Gretchen Dewitt
14 <sup>th</sup>	Amanda Winkley	29 <sup>th</sup>	Lew Bell
17 <sup>th</sup>	Julia Mazanka	29 <sup>th</sup>	Arleen Kreuzsch

### July Anniversaries

5 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce & Barbara Barnes
7 <sup>th</sup>	Joe & Judy Donaldson
27 <sup>th</sup>	Dale Haidvogel & Judith Lee
31 <sup>st</sup>	Scott & Tina Hedley



## News from Saint Andrew's – Burt

July/August 2009

*We are a diverse community of faith called by God to love, worship, pray, support, and serve.*

### Your Vicar's View

*You did not choose me but I chose you. [John 15:16]*

In the joy of our June celebrations we are reminded of how deeply our faith is the foundation of the friendships we form at church. Our life with God does not grow in solitude, even though solitude is an essential ingredient of it; it grows in our shared promise to trust that Christ is present whenever we gather. The bonds that are formed by working together as the Body of Christ are unlike any other; people who pray together are never "just friends."

A friend, a cradle Episcopalian, has said that he was almost an adult before he realized that churches remained open during the summer. His family took a "holiday" from church every summer, and he just assumed that *nobody* went to church in July and August. As I begin my fourth summer in Western New York, I am beginning to understand this almost irresistible impulse to soak in every moment of freedom from *shoulds*, to savor long days and lazy mornings that are all too fleeting. But I also know that we need to see each other on Sundays during the summer perhaps more than at any other time. We need to pray together without being preoccupied with tasks; we need to see each other without the bustle of preparing a class or an anthem; we need to remind each other that we are in this place together *only* because God has called us to be companions on a journey we cannot predict or even understand. May we share the joy and strength of this Christ-centered friendship, wherever we may be.

*Judith*

Dated Material

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## August Birthdays

1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael Vogt	19 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Few
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tiffany Seeloff	19 <sup>th</sup>	Beverly Rutland
7 <sup>th</sup>	Michelle Munger	21 <sup>st</sup>	Bruce Barnes
8 <sup>th</sup>	Kim Mazanka	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Morris Moran
8 <sup>th</sup>	Cheri Balk	24 <sup>th</sup>	Jarrett Gilson
13 <sup>th</sup>	Margarer Moran	25 <sup>th</sup>	Ilona Haidvogel
15 <sup>th</sup>	Liz Depew	28 <sup>th</sup>	Christine Kennedy
16 <sup>th</sup>	Christopher Balk	29 <sup>th</sup>	Eva Rose

## August Anniversaries

1 <sup>st</sup>	Marty & Lisa Roeseler	15 <sup>th</sup>	James & Kathy Massie
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bill & Darcy Buchanan	15 <sup>th</sup>	George & Christine Waters
5 <sup>th</sup>	Larry & Prudy Waters	17 <sup>th</sup>	Tim & Chrei Balk
8 <sup>th</sup>	Eric & Pamela Leibring	25 <sup>th</sup>	Todd & Stephanie Gallo
10 <sup>th</sup>	James & Melissa Bedford		

## Schedules - July & August 2009

Acolytes are on "Summer Break" (Adults will serve)

### Lay Readers

<b>July</b>	5 <sup>th</sup>	MP - Dorothy Cheasty & Cindy Harrington
	12 <sup>th</sup>	MP - Stacy Lampman & Matt Pestinger
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Litz
	26 <sup>th</sup>	Gary Few
<b>August</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dorothy Cheasty
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Matt Pestinger
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Jerry Harrington
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	MP - TBA & Margaret Moran
	30 <sup>th</sup>	MP - Jerry Harrington & TBA

### Altar Guild

July	Cindy Harrington & Kathy Gregg
August	Tish Gooding, Ginnie Rowland & Stephanie Gooding

### Collection Counters

July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Cindy Harrington & Jerry Harrington
July	Stacy Lampman & Bill Buchanan
August	Cindy Harrington & Jerry Harrington

### Loaves and Fishes Community Gathering

**Wednesday July 29 6:30 p.m.**

Bring nonperishable food & a dish to pass to support the Newfane Community Food Pantry, the Wilson Community Food Pantry, and the Migrant Ministry Food Pantry

## Thank You

**Thank you** to **Joe Donaldson** for repairing the concrete on the back step.

**Thank you** to **Emily Harrington & Ilona Haidvogel** for singing "The Prayer" so exquisitely on June 14<sup>th</sup> and to Emily for a powerful sermon. **Thanks** to our **St. Andrew's Brass Ensemble** and **Natalie Goodman, Rachel Gregg, and Melissa Pestinger**, for a glorious Prelude on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank you** to **Liz Depew** for the children's homily on June 7<sup>th</sup>. A huge **thank you** to Liz for inviting **Mother Superior** to our Fish Fry banquet on May 15<sup>th</sup>: No one else teaches us so much about ourselves, and gives us the chance to laugh at ourselves.

**Thank you** - to **Judy Bowers** and everyone who organized and contributed to our Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show on June 20<sup>th</sup>. It was a great way to celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> day of summer!!

## News and Notes

**Vacation** - Judith+ will be on vacation June 29-July 17 & August 23-31, and on Mondays during July & August. Father Massie and Father Sam will be on call for emergencies.

**Welcome to a new Intern** - In August we will welcome **Jeff Edminster**, a member of Christ Church, who is exploring a call to be ordained as a Deacon. Jeff will serve with us for about 6 months, and we look forward to the privilege of walking with him on his spiritual journey.

**Summer Morning Prayer** - We have decided to have Morning Prayer on the Sundays that Judith+ is on vacation. This both saves us some money, and gives us the opportunity for a different experience of praying together. We will make arrangements for Private Holy Communion in the weeks that we have Morning Prayer for anyone who requests it. Please call the office with any questions or concerns.

**Summer pledges** - Please remember to send in your pledge if you are away from church this summer. Our income is now coming in slightly ahead of our budget, but we need all pledges to be up to date in order not to fall behind in the next couple of months.

**Book Group** will meet on **Thursday July 16 at 7 p.m.** at Stacy Lampman's home. The book for discussion will be *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving. Please see Stacy if you have any questions.

**Christmas in August** - Our annual shared Picnic Eucharist on **August 2 at 10 a.m. at Krull Park** will include gifts and a

collection for the girls at Little Roses Orphanage in Honduras. Watch for more information.

**John Leyland Scholarship Fund** is used to fund diocesan camp registration for our youth. The fund is currently very low; if you would like to help send 2 of our youth to camp this summer, please write a check to St. Andrew's with "Leyland Fund" on the memo line.

**Sundays Live at St. Andrew's** - Mark your calendars! *Lake Effect* men's chorus is tentatively scheduled for **Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>**

## Dates to Remember - July & August 2009

### July 1- 16 - Judith+ will be on vacation

July 11	9- 11 a.m.	St. John's Pancake Breakfast
July 12	10:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer
July 16	7 p.m.	Book Group at Stacy Lampman's
July 21	11 a.m.	Memorials Group meeting
July 30	4:30 p.m.	Outreach Task Force meeting
July 21	1 p.m.	Library Review meeting
TBA		Picnic for Sunday School families hosted by St. John's
July 29	6:30 p.m.	Loaves and Fishes Community Gathering

### August 23-31 - Judith+ on vacation

August 2	10:30 a.m.	Shared Picnic Eucharist at Krull Park <i>Christmas in August</i> to benefit Little Roses Orphanage
August 5	4 p.m.	Sunday School Teachers meeting
August 8	5 p.m.	Barbeque & campfire for the acolytes who are going to the Acolyte Festival at the Vogt's
August 12	7 p.m.	Vestry meeting
August 15 -		Newfane Augustfest - St. Andrew's Float
August 23		Morning Prayer
August 30		Morning Prayer



### Money Matters:

Our "year to date" expenses as of 6/17/09 are: \$61,908.53  
Our "year to date" income as of 6/17/09 is: \$63,358.84  
Our "year to date" pledge income as of 6/17/09 is \$38,455.90

Pledges are coming in very well! Only a few are behind. *Thanks.*