

The Signpost Weekly

August 21, 2016

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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[Calendar](#)

Saturday, August 20

- Family Service, 4 p.m.

Sunday, August 21

- Eucharist, 9 am
- Fund Raising Committee
- Stewardship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 23

- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 28

- Sunday School Planning Meeting

Dear Friends,

I am back from vacation and I am so grateful that I have you to come back to. My time off was really good, but I can't wait to see you all. I want to thank all of you who stepped forward to help one of our families get the school supplies they need. If you still wish to help, please consider a gift card for school clothes for the children. Thank you so much for your quick responses *Miriam*

Please help us provide relief right away to flood victims in the Gulf Coast.

I want to call your attention to the work that Episcopal Relief and Development is doing for the people of the Gulf Coast who have lost their homes due to the extreme flooding. Please see the links below, and please do pray for these folk during this devastating time. *Miriam*

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- See more at:

<http://www.episcopalrelief.org/what-you-can-do/donate-now/individual-donation#sthash.kGhYs1j4.dpuf>

Thank You

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A Sunday School Meeting will take place after the 9 o'clock service next Sunday, August 28.

We'd like to be thinking about innovative new ideas and approaches to Sunday School. If this is something of interest to you, or if you have some ideas to share, please plan to attend. [Danielle Leclair, Sunday School Coordinator.](#)



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**The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate**

Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee is presently working on our 2017 Pledge Campaign. The campaign theme is "This is Our Church." The kick-off will be on October 9 and will include a special coffee hour for the 8 o'clock group and a potluck lunch for the 10:15 group along with a Ministries Fair. The 2017 campaign will end on November 20. My prayer is for full participation from parish members. *Miriam*

This is My Church Moments

In past years during our annual pledge campaigns I've asked a variety of members to present a Ministry Minute where they have a chance to talk about their connection to the church and why they pledge. This year we are asking folk to tell us why they feel this parish is their community. I may be calling on you to make this presentation. Please keep an open heart and mind should I call you. *Miriam*

Practice gratitude . Encounter the Lord each day. Be present to others. Resist overwork. Nurture friendships. Give more. Make a difference in your parish community. Consider living more simply. Get healthy. Don't give up. Turn to the Lord.

Program Year

All our programs will resume in September beginning with the Sunday school kick off on September 11 with classes resuming on the 18th. Here is when other programs begin—Sunday morning Bible Study between services—9/11; Women's Bible Study—9/6; Tuesday evening Yoga—9/6; Thursday evening Bible Study—9/8; Monday morning Yoga—9/12.

*Grant, O merciful
God, that your
Church, being
gathered together in
unity by your Holy
Spirit, may show
forth your power
among all peoples;
To the glory of your
Name; through Jesus
Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever.
Amen.*

Isaiah 58 New Hampshire, Third Annual Charity Benefit, September 10, 6:30 to 10:30 PM, Atkinson Country Club By supporting our Third Annual Charity Benefit, you will be joining with local and statewide leaders helping us to provide housing and supportive services to our fellow community members. Most of all you will be providing much needed funds for families in need. Tickets for the event are \$50 per person. Please make checks payable to Isaiah 58 NH, and mail

to P.O. Box 158 East Hampstead, NH 03826. You can also purchase tickets from board members or online at <http://www.isaiah58nh.myevent.com>.



Prayers of the People

Please pray for **Ken Swenson** as he continues to recover from rotator cuff surgery; **Dawn Hodges** a

friend of Terri McDermott; Deb Pothier's granddaughter **Ellie Laura McCabe**; for Terry and Joan Stevens' daughter-in-law **Theresa**, who has Stage 4 breast cancer; for **Zach; Bill Steinhoff** going through cancer treatment; **Liz Naters-Gamarra and Carmen**, Miriam's daughter and mother; **Ann Donovan; Kate; Joan and Ron Ruggiero, and Josephine Herbert; Brayden; Matty; Ian**; for Christine's friend **Christine**; for **Cheryl**; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin** and for **George Gallo, Jr.**; for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric** who with God's grace is in safe hands.

Serving in the Military: Please pray for Del's cousins, **Daniel, Matthew and Sandra**, for **Paul**.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Ryan and Jessica Steinhoff; Terry and Joan Stevens; Ken and Edie Swenson; John Svitak and Madeleine Dionne-Svitak.

Attendance

Sunday, 8/7, 9:00 am, 40

Summer Wish List Ecumenical Food Pantry

Juice, Spaghetti Sauce, Microwave Popcorn, Jelly/Fluff, Pudding, Tissues, Paper Towels, Body Wash, Bar Soap, Deodorant (M & F), Shampoo, Razors

Episcopal Church Foundation's Bequest Language

Specific Amount:

I, _____, hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Your Episcopal Church, 123 Main Street, Anywhere, MyState, 00000, the sum of \$XX,XXX to be used at their discretion to assist in the ministries of the Church.

Percentage Amount:

I, _____, hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Your Episcopal Church, 123 Main Street, Anywhere, MyState, 00000, XX% of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, to be used at their discretion to assist in the ministries of the Church.

Contingency Bequest:

In the event the beneficiaries of bequests and devises herein predecease me, or, in the case of institutions, cease to be organizations described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, I, _____, hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Your Episcopal Church, 123 Main Street, Anywhere, MyState, the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, to be used at their discretion to assist in the ministries of the Church.

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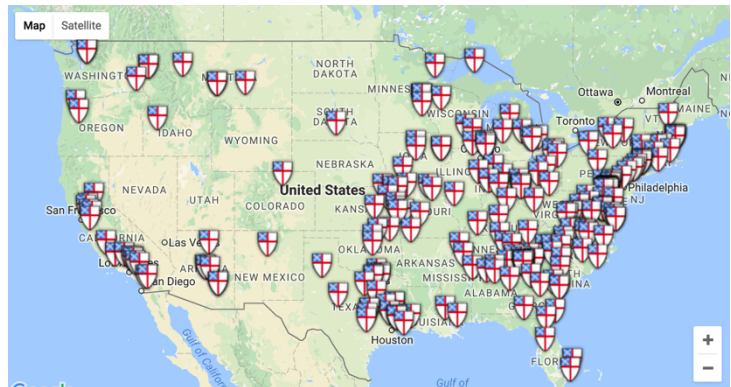


AUGUST 21, 2016 – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (C): YOUNG ADULT AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Leaving for college, work, or post-high school opportunities can be an adventure, leaving behind family, friends, and established routines for new experiences. For many young people, it also means leaving behind important spiritual support networks.

“The first few months away from home are a time of extraordinary transition,” said the Rev. Shannon Kelly, Missioner for Young Adult and Campus Ministries. “It’s a time when young adults engage new freedom and opportunities to make decisions that will shape their post-high school experience.”

“Connecting with a campus ministry or young adult ministry can help students develop new friendships, connect with older students who can help them navigate campus life, and develop spiritual companions and networks that will guide and support them through this transformative period of their lives,” added Kelly.



The Episcopal Church offers young adult and campus ministries on nearly 200 college campuses across the United States. You can find a map and listing of Episcopal campus ministries here: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/page/campus-young-adult-ministries>. If your faith community supports a young adult and/or campus ministry that is not represented on this map, please submit your information here: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/form/young-adult-and-campus-ministry-information>.

“These ministries bring the Jesus Movement to life on university campuses, tribal colleges, community colleges, young adult ministries and more,” concluded Kelly. “If you or someone you know is setting off on a new adventure this fall, check the map to find a young adult or campus ministry in the area.”

For more information about Episcopal Campus Ministries, contact the Rev. Shannon Kelly, skelly@episcopalchurch.org, 212-716-6081.

Prayer for Schools and Colleges

O Eternal God, bless all schools, colleges, and universities [and especially _____], that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those who teach and those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Book of Common Prayer, p. 824)

Prayer for Young Persons

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Book of Common Prayer, p. 829)