



# THE SIGNPOST WEEKLY

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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
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## Calendar

Sunday, July 20

- Eucharist Service, Rite II, 9 a.m. (All Sunday Eucharist services during July and August take place at a single service at 9 a.m.)

Tuesday, July 22

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

Sunday, July 27

- Eucharist Service, Rite II, 9 a.m.

A Thank You!

Last Sunday, we celebrated the life of Joan Anderson. We will miss Joan's vibrant and spiritual being, and her ever-present reflection and reminder of God's love. Miriam's presence as Celebrant touched us all, and along with Joan's family and friends, we found comfort and love in the face of the loss of our good friend, Joanie Anderson. Sincerest thanks to the many people from our parish who made the Eucharist for Joan and her family such a celebration, from those who helped move chairs, tables and the altar before and after the service, to those who prepared food and drinks, and who helped serve and stayed for cleanup; from those who helped

The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom.

*Matthew 13*



plan the altar flowers, to those who served at the service, and provided music and prepared the bulletin. And last, but not least, thank you to our groundskeepers for having our lawns and flower gardens in beautiful shape, and for making the extra effort to set up tents on the side lawn

where people could gather after the service. It was a

perfect touch. What a blessing to be part of such a loving and caring community! *Karen Groves, Junior Warden.*

## Reminders about Summer Coverage

Rev. Sarah Rockwell is providing pastoral support, and may be reached by phone. She is the Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Londonderry. From now through July 27, while Senior Warden Christine Collins and family are traveling on vacation, Karen Groves, Jr. Warden, will handle concerns related to St. Christopher's that need the leadership's attention. Karen may be reached by phone or email.



*Wouldn't you know who's all decked out for the Fourth of July!? It's Roy Jeffrey, of course*

## Parish House Repairs Continue

The next phase of the repairs to the parish house are well underway. Interior as well as exterior work is being done. The piano room is sealed off until repairs are completed.

## International Dinner

Reminder to all that plans are already underway for our Annual International Dinner, scheduled for Saturday October 4. Some wonderful cooks have already stepped up to the plate (pun intended!) to participate, but we need a few more. It's a lot of fun to get a friend or family member and cook for a table together. You can choose the 4:30 or the 6:30 seating or both if you wish! This major fundraiser is successful when we all pitch in. Contact Wayne Trombly or Christine Collins and let them know you want to cook for a table.

*Have you invited a friend to come to church with you? If not, what are you waiting for? A personal invitation is the best way, bar none, to grow a congregation and bless a friend's life.*

## Family Promise Host Week

Mark your calendar! Our Family Promise host week begins August 31, just as summer is winding down. Another big thanks to all who have helped out in past weeks. If you are thinking about volunteering in

any way, please contact Wayne Trombly or Peggy Baker. We'd love to have you join us!

Almighty God,  
the fountain of all  
wisdom.

You know our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Family Promise Could Use a Hand!

Promoting the work of Family Promise within our community is an ongoing effort. We are looking for a few good people to help spread the word at one of these local events:

\* Salem Farmer's Market, 10/19  
\* Atkinson Farmer's Market, 8/9, 9/6, 10/4  
\* Londonderry Old Home Day, 8/16  
\* Salemfest, 9/20  
\* Derryfest, 9/20  
\* Pelham Old Home Day, 9/13  
\* Derry Farmer's Market, 8/27, 9/24

Committing to an hour or two can make a big difference! Contact Vicki at the Family Promise Day Center in Derry.

## Prayers of the People.

Please pray for 12 year old Christopher Black, grandson of Mikki and Fred Black, who broke his arm in 3 places and is now recovering from surgery. Marilyn Towne asks for your prayers for her daughter Kim. Please pray for Arthur Mueller, who is now undergoing chemotherapy, with the support of his wife Carolyn and their children; for JoAnne; prayers for Nancy Hollinrake who has just been admitted to Pleasant Valley Nursing Home; for Linda, who has been diagnosed with cancer; Madeleine Dionne-Svitak's sister in law; for Anne Darrah's aunt, Sophie Payne, who is in rehab now and recovering from a lengthy illness; prayers in memory of Joan Anderson; for Ryan; for friends of Marcia Devine, Anita and Gene Sibley; for Kelly, the daughter of Tom and Peggy Baker; for Corinne Dodge's friend, Mariellen; for William Friel; for Marcia Devine's landlady, Carol Sienkiewicz; for Jeff and Katie Waymouth's daughter, Ginny and family; for Jacqueline Parent, for strength and peace; for Jean Porter's grand-nephew Tyler, for Cheri and her husband Walt, friends of Jennifer and Robert Aiken; for Rosallie Papoutsy; for Geoffery Richardson son of Dave Darrah's co-worker; for Natalie Gallo's brother, Lorin Bielski; for Mark and Ingrid Chapman's son Eric who with God's grace is in safe hands; for Hope; and all who face difficult changes and transitions.

Serving in the Military: Please pray Michael Carr, for Del Dooling's cousins, Daniel Canfield, Matthew and Sandra Maloy, and for Paul Gagne. Our most heartfelt gratitude to Jonathan Mason who just completed his tour of duty.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: Theresa and Justine Altsher; Jeremy, Candace, and McKenna Jane Allen; Muriel Andernacht; Lynne Allen.

Attendance:

7/12, Rhythms of Grace, 15

Sunday, 7/13, 41

### Backpacks Wish List -

Backpacks (no cartoon/action/pop characters), pens, pencils & erasers, colored pencils & markers, crayons, glue & glue sticks, notebooks, 3 ring binders & filler paper, construction paper, rulers, paper clips, scissors, calculators, and any other related school supplies. Donations may be placed in the food basket on Sunday. Food Pantry volunteers will be assembling the backpacks with grade appropriate supplies on August 10th.



*Mission Accomplished!* Thanks to everyone who contributed and worked on our new playground.



