

# GRACE NOTES

SEPTEMBER 2017



*Jenna on her Mission Trip*

## GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## **WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO LIVE WITH GOD AT THE CENTER OF YOUR LIFE?**

We know the vision Jesus had of what that looks like. It's telling the truth to ourselves about those things and attitudes and situations and relationships that aren't focused on God. And telling those truths about our culture on behalf of those who can't. It's taking the "ME" out of the center of our lives, so that we can live for others, just like Jesus. It's caring for others, especially the poor and marginalized. It's knowing, and telling the good news to those who have lost hope. It's immersing oneself in Holy Scripture and prayer to learn more of what it is to be God's people and to follow Jesus. It's having and supporting a community by generosity and dependability, even when it's not convenient, or not my mood or preference. It's about being transformed into the image and likeness of God.

What practices do you find helpful in your Christian life? What might you share with others? How do you make time in a busy life to learn and pray and worship and serve? What would you find helpful to deepen your life in Christ?

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## **"AGILE" CHURCH?**

Bishop DeDe Duncan-Probe has selected Dwight Zscheile's book, *The Agile Church: Spirit-Led Innovation in an Uncertain Age* (Morehouse Publishing, 2014) as the foundation for diocesan-wide study, discussion and innovation for the future of the Episcopal Church in Central New York.

The Rev. Dwight Zscheile, Ph.D will also be the featured speaker at the annual convention of the Diocese of Central New York November 10-11 in Liverpool. He is associate professor of congregational mission and leadership at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota and a consultant with churches and other non-profit organizations. He also serves part-time as associate priest at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in St. Paul, and previously served congregations in Virginia and Connecticut. Dwight's experience growing up in a secular home in California has shaped his commitment to helping the church cultivate Christian community with new populations and generations in today's changing world.

Please prayerfully consider reading this hopeful and thought-provoking book and attending our convention as a visitor to hear Fr. Zscheile. The book is available on Amazon, through the diocesan office, or speak with Mother Cathy.

## OUTREACH NEWS

*Please Donate to Outreach's September Collection for Humane CNY!*

Humane CNY, located on Taft road, is a local charitable organization whose goal is, "A better community through kindness to animals."



Their mission is to provide our community with an animal shelter that shows compassion and respect for life by following a no-kill philosophy and by striving to provide the cats, dogs and other animals entrusted to our care with permanent, loving homes.

Kindness to animals is one of the ways we show our love for all of God's creation so please help by bringing your donations to church during the month of September.

Items needed: bleach, hand soap, laundry detergent, trash bags, paper towels, rabbit food, cat food, dog food, cat litter, pet toys, used but clean towels, sheets and blankets.



And don't forget to bring your pets, (or a picture of your pets) to the Blessing of the Animals, 4 P.M., Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Grace Church!

## THANK YOU FROM OUTREACH

The Outreach Ministry would like to thank all those who contributed jars of peanut butter to Cato-Meridian School's Backpack Program. We collected 39 large jars and 55 small ones, bringing the total to 92 jars. Carole Tarney, director of the school program, said that 68 needy children, from pre-school to seniors in high school will be participating this year. They will be sent home with a backpack of nutritious snacks every Friday, and before school holidays and vacations, since they will not be receiving breakfast and lunch at school during these times. She was very grateful for the large number of jars since peanut butter is one of their biggest expenses. Thank you!!



**FLU SHOT CLINIC** Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M. till 2 P.M. in the Welcome Area. "High does" shots recommended for seniors will be available. Most insurance including Medicare covers the cost, otherwise \$32.99 —, \$74.99 —high dose.

**BISHOP DEDE** has named Mother Cathy Dean of Oswego—Northern Onondaga District.

## COMING THIS FALL...

A fascinating and in-depth study based on the book *Bible Women: All their words and why they matter*.

Episcopal priest Lindsay Hardin Freeman identifies every woman who speaks in the Bible, providing their words, context, and historical background. We learn which women speak the most (hint: it's not Mary!) and which books of the Bible have the fewest words from women. We hear the only conversation in the Bible between a mother and daughter (and it's not pretty), the words of a woman who eats her own child, and the triumphant exclamation of a woman telling the world about the risen Christ.

Interested? Speak with Mother Cathy or drop her an email at [rector@GraceEpiscopalBaldwinsville.org](mailto:rector@GraceEpiscopalBaldwinsville.org) indicating times that would work for you (Afternoons? Mornings? Saturday?). Note that participation is not limited to women!

## JENNA'S MISSION TRIP

I went on a mission trip to Grand Rapids Michigan. I was part of crew 12. We went to a retirement home called Rest Haven. It was for retired pastors and ministries. There we did landscaping work and visiting with residents. For landscaping we filled in holes, moved paving stones, emptied basements and cut down and moved brush.



After we did landscaping and ate lunch we would be able to visit resident and hear their amazing stories and the great jokes they told that cracked us up.

The people there were amazing and were super kind to us and made us welcome. The trip was super memorable.

I want to thank everyone for the donations.

## WELCOME TO THE CNY ART GUILD

The CNY Art Guild will meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday evenings in the Undercroft beginning September 14<sup>th</sup>. The Central New York Art Guild is a non-profit organization established to promote Fine Arts and to further the knowledge and skills of it's members and to bring together individuals with similar interests.

## **BOUNDARIES, BORDERS AND BETTER RELATIONSHIPS**

A one-day training event for individuals and groups and home-life, work, and ministry will be led by The Rev. Diane Wheatley, Lutheran pastor, speaker and trainer.

This one-day training will be offered in four different locations around the Diocese:

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at Zion, Rome 9-3:30 P.M.

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Peter & John, Auburn 9-3:30 P.M.

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Mark's, Chenango Bridge 9-3:30 P.M.

The cost of the event is \$25 per person which includes lunch and a training manual.

This training is geared toward clergy and lay: leaders of ministries, vestry members, church staff and volunteers.

Over the course of a morning and afternoon, the Rev. Diane Wheatley will help us go into depth about types of relationships that exist in parishes, how to create and maintain healthy boundaries, developing and nurturing sacred trust, vulnerability, safe spaces, verbal and non-verbal communications, and other topics like: humor, gossip, information sharing, leadership, gift-giving, and phone and internet norms.

The Rev. Diane Wheatley is a Lutheran pastor from who has created this training out of her vast experience and readings. She has been a pastor since 1984 and has done extensive work with "safe spaces" and co-dependency. She is a nationally known workshop and retreat leader in the area of boundaries.

**STEWARDSHIP ROUNDTABLES** are 7 P.M. till 9 P.M. on the following evenings:

Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at St Luke's, Camillus

Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at St. John's, Oneida

Informal "roundtable" discussions about stewardship in our parishes. There will be opportunities for idea sharing about stewardship in general and also time for more specific conversations. These roundtable events are geared toward: clergy, vestry members, and those who work with the finances, stewardship, or fundraising efforts of a parish.

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>** Grace Church leads worship at Syracuse Home at 3 P.M.

Come help!! Additional 2017 dates are October 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup>.

## UPCOMING EVENTS FROM PARISH LIFE

Please save these dates:

October 15<sup>th</sup> – Wine Event - at Liquor, Wine & Moonshine in Lakeland, 2—4 P.M.

October 21<sup>st</sup> – Trivia Night – 6 P.M.

November 12<sup>th</sup> – Senior Harvest Dinner

December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Advent Event –

Making of Advent Wreaths and Writing of Christmas Cards/Notes

Thank you for your participation in our activities.

Remember, we are always interested in your feedback and welcome suggestions for activities you might like to see held.

**HOMECOMING SUNDAY - OUTDOOR SERVICE, FLAG, BRICK CEREMONY AND BRUNCH** is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, following our 9 A.M. service in the memorial garden, weather permitting. The service will include the flag & brick dedication with brunch following the service. Parishioners will be asked to bring a dish to pass; sign up sheet in the Welcome Area or call the parish office at 315 635 3214. Please join us even if you are not able to bring anything.

## FROM THE PAST

From *Baldwinsville's Own Cook Book* by Women's Auxiliary  
Grace Episcopal Church, published 1950's

### Black Chocolate Cake

Mrs. Clifford Lodder

1 c. cocoa	1/2 c. sour milk
1c. boiling water	2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 c. Spry (Crisco)	2 tsp. vanilla
2 c. sugar	2 well—beaten eggs
2 c. flour	1 tsp salt



Mix first 3 ingredients thoroughly and add other ingredients in exact order named above, beating well after each addition. Bake in 2 9-inch layer pans or 1 13 x 9-inch pan at 375° for 25-35 minutes.

## **ALTAR GUILD MEETING**

On Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, altar guild will meet at 9:30 A.M.

Altar Guild is seeking new members! Training provided.

Both men and women are welcome to serve on altar guild. Please consider this important ministry and join us at our meeting.

If you cannot attend, but would like to serve on altar guild, please call the church office at 315 635 3214.

## **HELP NEEDED!**

The Grace Finance Ministry is seeking new members.

You do not need a degree in accounting to join us... just good business sense and some familiarity with financial statements. If you take care of your own finances, you qualify! Currently we meet at 7 P.M. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Rosemary Coyne at 315-638-4008, or leave your name and contact information with Margaret in the church office.

Thank you.

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Ginny Diller, Kathy Dengler, Tom LaMere, Pam Ginsburg, Jan Heisler, Ann Makowiec, Eric Merson, Carolyn Smith, Tina Santy, Sandy Spitler, Bob Warner, Jr.

## **NEXT SAMARITAN MEAL**

Our final Samaritan Meal of 2017 will be on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. We will need about 18 volunteers to prepare and serve a meal to about 300 guests. We will also be collecting donations to cover the cost of the meal. A member of the Outreach Committee will be available after services through Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> to accept donations and sign up volunteers. Persons wishing to volunteer can also do so by emailing Bob O'Brien at [jrobrien6@gmail.com](mailto:jrobrien6@gmail.com).

Mark your calendar for our next date February 4, 2018.

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*To be a visible sign of Christ's love, seeking  
and serving Christ in all persons.*

**GRACE'S MISSION STATEMENT**



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Starting October 7<sup>th</sup>