

worldwide. With support from a network of shipping and charity partners like Brothers Brother Foundation and Feed The Children, Crocs is determined to make a positive difference, setting a goal of donating two million pairs of recycled Crocs shoes to those in need in 2008. The concept of the SolesUnited program is simple. Consumers donate their worn out Crocs footwear at an authorized collection site or retailer. Through the SolesUnited recycling process, donated Crocs shoes are sorted, cleaned, ground into new material, and manufactured into new recycled shoes. Once manufactured, the shoes are distributed to those in need with the support of SolesUnited shipping and charity partners. Join St. George's in helping others. There is a collection bag in the parish hall. FMI contact Janie Sweeney Beecher, 363-1657.

Laity Participating In Our Worship Services

Greeters: Susan Metcalf, Charlotte Hefford (7:45); Chuck, Cameron & Hailey Barrett (9:00)

Acolytes: Alec Jordan, Chris Jordan (7:45); Chris Ervin, Caitlin Ervin, Abbie Duquette (9:00)

Ushers: Carla Jillson, Jean Tucker (7:45); Chuck, Cameron & Hailey Barrett (9:00)

Lectors: Ted Little, Bette Pollock (7:45); Tiffany Chabot (9:00)

Prayers of the People: Ralph Davison (7:45); Heather Hesse-Stromberg (9:00)

Chalice Bearers: Frank Jillson, Marcia Williams (7:45); Kate Ford, Brian Wilson (9:00)

Altar Guild: Carla Jillson, Charlotte Hefford

Flower Guild: Carol Gronquist, Karen Gilroy

LEVs: Durgin Pines: Carol Gronquist; Sentry Hill: Marj Esau

Schedule for St. George's This Week

Wednesday: 12 noon - **Deadline:** *August 31 bulletin*

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist & Healing
6:00 p.m. - Parish Choir Potluck

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Dragon News
Weekly Notices
Week of August 24, 2008

Standing Announcements

We welcome all those persons who may be visiting St. George's for the first time. Please sign the guest book and let us know who you are!

The Sanctuary flowers today are given in thanksgiving for all the blessings bestowed on me and my family by Marj Esau.

Celebrations this week. Birthdays: David Ramsay, Karen Robinson, Bette Pollock, Abbie Duquette, Isabelle Wright, Lauren Pollaro, Adam Bailey, Olivia Dow. Anniversaries: Paige Blair & Gene Fox, Harry & Marcia Foster, John & Pauline Cashman, Pat & William Holder, Denise & Evan Mallett.

EVENTS, DATES & ACTIVITIES

Baptismal Preparation. A host of you have asked about having your children baptized, so we are planning a baptismal preparation group early this fall. Please contact Paige+ at 373-7376 or pblair1@earthlink.net to let her know your interest and availability.

Haitian Singers in York. On September 29, Les Petits Chanteurs will be in York, with an evening concert and reception at St. George's. We need a few more households to house the musicians for the night. We also need food for the reception and donations toward the expense of a group lunch and breakfast. Please contact Peter Blanchard (207-363-1369, email pblancha@maine.rr.com) or Susan Mullens (207-361-1210, email js.mullens@att.net). And spread the word about their visit!!

Gathering in the Berwicks. On the fourth Thursday of each month, we gather to worship at the Federated Church of South Berwick, at 5:45 p.m. The next gathering is on August 28. The summer format, for now, will be as it has been, with a Eucharist that is friendly for all ages, and a potluck supper afterwards. If you would like to help lead the service, say, by offering a Godly Play story or other sermon, please let Kit Wang know (363-2314 dckabar@yahoo.com)! Your gifts are very welcome.

Choir Potluck on Thursday, August 28, 6:00 p.m. We will sing through our new music and have a potluck. Potential new members are welcome!

Fresh Air Fund. Kids from the city get a chance to spend summer time in small towns and in the country. If you are interested in hosting a child, please contact Rachel Berinsky, Rberinsky@freshair.org or (800) 367 0003 x-8931. STG families who have hosted Fresh Air Fund kids include the Ervins 439-1205, the Lanes 363-6695 and the Coburns 363-2044.

Good-bye +Chilton. Retirement parties for Bishop Knudsen have been arranged throughout the diocese so that all will have the opportunity to attend one. Reservations will be taken so that adequate food can be provided at these events. Contact Amy at 207-882-7184 or amy@episcopalmaine.org to reserve—she will need the date, location of event and number of attendees to complete your reservation.

Friday, September 12, St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland: 5:00 p.m.: Unveiling of Bishop Knudsen's portrait in the Upper Hall of the Cathedral; 5:30 p.m.: Evensong at St. Luke's Cathedral; 7:00 p.m.: Buffet meal in the Grand Ballroom of The Eastland Park Hotel; 8:00 p.m.: Presentations.

Hello +Steve. Saturday, September 13, St. Luke's Cathedral in Portland. No reservations necessary, all are welcome. 9:00 a.m.: Walk-through rehearsal for Investiture Service. 10:00 a.m.: Clergy assemble and vest (red) in Cathedral lower halls. 11:00 a.m. Investiture and Seating of a Diocesan Bishop.

Diocesan Youth Calendar Events:

September 26-27: Leadership Training for Awakening. Grace Church, Bath ME. Youth and adults prepare to lead.

FMI on youth events, call 800-244-6062 x-29 or go to www.maine youth.org.

Celebration of New Ministry. The Rev. Kit Wang will have her ministry at St. Stephen's in Waterboro celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen on Sunday, September 7, 5:00 p.m. All are welcome—please RSVP to Kit at ststephensvicar@yahoo.com or 207-247-6458 by September 4.

Mary Ezenwa, who fondly remembers her experiences with us this last year before she left to attend Yale Divinity School, needs a place to stay in York, from September 8 to December 5 so that she can be able to complete her discernment requirement, which is a necessary component of the ordination process. She is willing to cover her share of rent and maintenance

expenses. If you are able to provide accommodation for her, please contact her directly: mcezenwa@gmail.com, or by cell (917) 455-5306.

Katrina: 3 Years After, with Jenny Rosenson, Thursday, August 28, 7:00 p.m., at the New Castle, NH, library. FMI call 603-431-6773.

Hospice of York is looking for volunteers. Training classes begin Monday, September 8, and are open to potential volunteers, those in related fields, and anyone interested for their own information. Classes will be held weekly (mostly Mondays with one Saturday) for 12 weeks at Pelkey Funeral Home in Kittery, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. \$30 registration fee (scholarship aid may be available). Call 363-7000. Complete schedule is on the downstairs bulletin board.

Never miss a sermon again! The weekly sermons, recorded as audio files, are now available on our website (click on the Worship link—they are usually up by Wednesday). You can listen right on your computer, or download the mp3 to your iPod and take it with you.

Bereavement Support Group. Hospice of York is offering the “Living With Loss Group” this fall, Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:00, beginning September 10, for ten weeks. Space is limited, pre-registration is required. FMI call Audrey, 207-337-5507.

Foreign Exchange Student Program - Educational and Cultural Interactions is looking for host families for international exchange students from many different countries. All the students have intermediate to high-intermediate English language skills. They will be arriving in mid to late August for the academic year 2008-9. ECI covers the student with full accident and medical insurance and they bring their own spending money. Families interested in hosting a student and who are able to provide a stable environment, love and care, are asked to please contact ECI toll-free at 1-888-446-5437. Please feel free to visit our website at www.eciprograms.com or email to eci@ionet.net.

Aging With Spirit. Engaging the sacred with lectio divina, yoga and contemplative prayer. Saturday, September 20, 9:30 - 3:00. St. Paul's, 27 Pleasant St., Brunswick. Lunch will be provided. Reservations appreciated - contact Marby Payson 207-781-4769 or Mary Ann Hoy mahoy@suscom-maine.net. Freewill offering gratefully accepted.

What a Croc! St. George's has been approved as an authorized collection center for worn out Crocs™. Crocs, Inc., has officially launched SolesUnitedSM, the first-of-its-kind, recycled footwear donation program dedicated to providing new quality footwear to people in need

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