

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.

**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.

**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.

### Laity Participating In Our Worship Services

**Greeters:** Art & Jan Johnson (7:45); Brian & Laura Wilson (9:00)

**Acolytes:** Alec Jordan, Chris Jordan (7:45); Kyle Peterson, Brian Segall, Andrew Segalla (9:00)

**Ushers:** Linda Huls, Sharon Lohmann (7:45); Brian & Laura Wilson (9:00)

**Lectors:** Mary Ezenwa, Gail Marshall (7:45); Heather Hesse-Stromberg (9:00)

**Prayers of the People:** Cynthia Hayes (7:45); Jean Kolak-Mercer (9:00)

**Chalice Bearers:** Ralph Davison, Ted Little (7:45); Daryl McKay, Lauren Segalla (9:00)

**Altar Guild:** Gail Marshall, Kate Ford

**Flower Guild:** Cindy Perkins

**LEVs:** Durgin Pines: Marj Esau; Sentry Hill: Linda Huls

### Schedule for St. George’s This Week

**Monday:** All day - Parish office closed for holiday

**Wednesday:** 12 noon - **Deadline:** *September 7 bulletin*

**Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist & Healing  
7:00 p.m. - Parish choir practice

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### 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!

**Celebrations this week.** Birthdays: John Campbell, Marj Downes, Karen Gilroy, Rebecca McKenzie, David Parker, Peter Meyer, Paula Hoy, Nancy Monks, Elisabeth Sule, Anastasia Shaw, Sharon Lachapelle-Meehan. Anniversaries: Cynthia & Ron Hayes, Karen & Mike Moulton, Kate & Todd Glasson, Doug & Celia Warren.

### EVENTS, DATES & ACTIVITIES

**“Food Pantry Sunday” is Sunday, September 7.** Non-perishable donations may be left and volunteers will bring them to the Food Pantry. Monetary donations are also welcome - there is a small covered tin for that purpose in the basket.

**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!!

**Our program year begins on September 7.** Coming up soon are the following:

- Our **three-service worship schedule resumes** on September 7 (7:45, 9:00, 11:00)
- **Church School begins** on September 7 with an Open House and Registration.
- **Time & Talent** will take place in the form of several speakers each Sunday between October 19 and November 16, speaking briefly on their ministries at the end of services.

**Celebration of New Ministry.** The Rev. Kit Wang and the people of St. Stephen’s in Waterboro will celebrate their new ministry together (the Rt. Rev. Chilton Knusden, officiating) on

Sunday, September 7, 5:00 p.m. All are welcome—please RSVP to Kit by September 4 at 207-247-6458 or [ststephensvicar@yahoo.com](mailto:ststephensvicar@yahoo.com).

**Our film series “Tuesday Night Snacks and Cinema”** begins on Tuesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. with *The Kite Runner* (2007). Based on the best selling novel by Khaled Hosseini, *The Kite Runner* is a memorable and moving drama about the pain of lost friendship, the yearning for forgiveness, and the freedom that comes from making amends. The film won a Christopher Award in 2008. Food and a brief discussion will follow the film. Rated PG-13.

### **Adult Spiritual Formation in September.**

*Living our Baptismal Promises*, September 14, 10 a.m. If you are planning to be baptized, have your child baptized, be or have been a godparent, if your children have been baptized or if you have ever said the words, “We Will!” to the question, “Will you do all in your power to uphold this person in her new life in Christ?” at a baptismal service, this gathering is for you. We will ask what the baptismal vows they mean the day of baptism, and what they mean down the road as we try to help our children or godchildren live into them, even as we live into them ourselves.

*Stump the Rector!* September 21, 10 a.m. Ever wondered why the Episcopal Church has no Pope? Why the clergy wear funny collars? What’s that scarf called that they wear over their shoulders or around their necks? What’s the difference between the Episcopal Church and another denomination? What was that Lambast (sic) Conference in England about anyway? Who is the Archbishop of Canterbury and how did he land that fancy job? What does the Episcopal church believe about \_\_\_? Come, try to stump the Rector with your questions, trivial and deep alike! If you’re wondering, chances are someone else is too!

On September 28, Paige+ will explore *Generations*, a view of how we are influenced in our perceptions and interactions by the timing of our birth and place in history and culture.

(For a more complete list of fall spiritual formation offerings, please see the September issue of *Dragon Tales*.)

**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](mailto: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.

**Craft Group Meeting. Come join us for an evening of knitting** on Tuesday, September 16, at 7:00 p.m. If you know how to knit or want to learn, we will have yarn and needles for those interested. We will focus on making hats to send to The Salvation Army, Crossroads House or the shelter in Portland. Coffee and cookies will be served.

**The Fall Rummage Sale is coming up on Saturday, September 20.** We all know the Rummage Sale is: clothes, coats, shoes, accessories (jewelry, scarves, etc.), handbags, linens (towels, sheets). So, how would you like to see the Rummage Sale done this year:

- Should we have a Friday evening preview sale from 7:00 to 9:00?
- Would it stir up interest to have volunteers wear their last year’s rummage sale purchases at coffee hour?
- Should profits benefit a specific outreach project?
- Are there new spots around town to put posters? Are there new ways to advertise?
- Can you help: Donate, set-up, sort and price, cashier, make or deliver posters, clean up? See the sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall or call Mary Anne Smith 363-3539.

### **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](http://www.maine-youth.org).

**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](mailto:mcezenwa@gmail.com), or by cell (917) 455-5306.

**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 September 25. It includes 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](mailto:dckabar@yahoo.com))! Your gifts are very welcome.

**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  
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