St. John's Announcements

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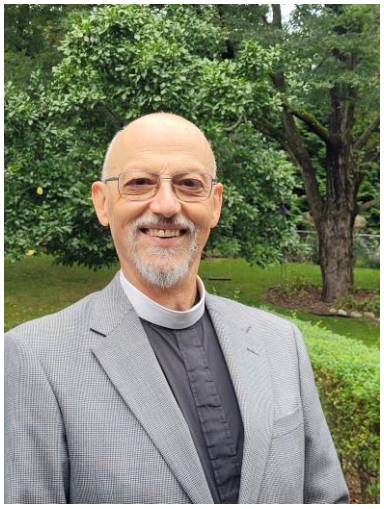
The Rev. Deacon Scott J. Stevens



Jesse Peters

I am very pleased to announce the addition of two vital members of our common life. First, I would like to introduce our new sexton Jesse Peters. Jesse comes with a lot of experience and is enthusiastic to be serving a church. He is a faithful Roman Catholic and is married with three children. Jesse works during the early hours as a truck driver and will be found here mostly in the early afternoon. I hope you have a chance to meet him soon.

Deacon Scott Stevens is joining us for the first time at the altar. He will be preaching on October 15th when he will be teaching us about the role of a deacon in a congregation and how he participates in this special calling. Deacon Scott has served several congregations most recently at Grace Church in Yantic. We warmly welcome Deacon Scott and his wife Jodie to our community. Jodie has already volunteered to help Alfreda Barber with our Sunday School. Though St. John's does not have a lot of recent experience with diaconal ministry, I encourage you to watch, listen, and pray about the diaconate. The church needs more deacons, and I ask your prayers to call more women and men to this vital ministry.

Blessings, Marc

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday Eucharist
9/27 @ 10:30am

Meet Rochelle Ripley
10/1

Chili Challenge and Cookout
10/14 @ 4:30pm

Happy Birthday!
Barbara Feldstein
Kevin Fenner
Marsha Francis
Linda Collier
Don Ellwood
Elaine Anderson

Happy Anniversary!
Pat & Grover Cleveland
James & Susan Hutton

Calling all Chili cooks and BBQ lovers! - Saturday, October 14th @ 430pm the Men's Ministry will be hosting a Cookout and Chili Challenge! This event is to raise money for local food security charities including MACC, Corner Stone, and Arm2Arm. Tickets will be sold in the Narthex. Sign up if you think your chili recipe will win!

Hawkwing Outreach - It's that time of year again for our annual collection for our brothers and sisters on the reservation! There are many ways that you can help:

- Toys for boys and girls in the $10-$12 range for ages 5-10 and no batteries. These will be given at The Great Give Away in December.
- To help with the brutal winter cold, we will accept only new and gently used clean winter coats for all ages. Kids sizes are especially in need.
- Sunday, October 22nd will be the special money collection for the reservation food banks. If you would like to give money for either toys or the food bank, please make your checks out to Hawkwing and write on the memo line either toys or food bank.
- Any questions, please call Terri at 860.644.5892.

Meet Rochelle from Hawkwing – Sunday 10/1 after the 10am service Hawkwing's founder Rochelle Ripley will be here to talk about the lives of the people on the reservation, ways you can help, and her vision for the future.

Saturday 9/23- Work day in the garden! If you would like to work in the garden this day please arrive at 10am. If you have any questions please reach out to Letty (lnaigles@yahoo.com).

Sunday 9/24- The Women's Spiritual Group will meet after the 10am service in the Undercroft. Please contact Kelli Peters with any questions.