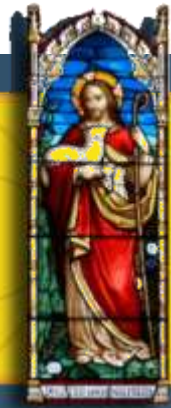


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# The Shepherd's Flock



Summer 2009

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Prosper the work of our hands-  
Prosper our handiwork  
Psalm 90:17

**Watson Hall Paint Project**  
**still needs your help!**

**A committee of the Vestry has established the kind and color of paint needed to refurbish Watson Hall.**

**A high-quality oil-based paint has been chosen as the most economical as it will likely cover in one coat.**

**You can get involved by purchasing a gallon of paint, or a portion of one.**  
**\$50 buys one gallon**  
**\$25 buys 1/2 gallon**  
**Join with your flock community as we care for God's house.**

**And very soon, it will be time to paint!**



The Rev. Leslie Nesin

John 10: 14-16

" I am the good shepherd;  
I know my sheep  
and my sheep  
know me— just  
as the Father  
knows me and I  
know the  
Father—and I lay  
down my life for  
the sheep. I have  
other sheep that  
are not of this  
sheep pen. I must  
bring them also.  
They too will  
listen to my  
voice, and there  
shall be one  
flock and one  
shepherd.

## A Message from Leslie+

Most of you know that my sister from Australia has been visiting me here. Some of her wisdom, her ability to live in the present moment, has stuck with me. Kathy's visits take the form of a royal procession, from place to place. I was first, then she went to our other sister in Florida; soon she goes on to Pennsylvania to be with her daughter and family. I asked her if she is excited to go on, and her answer was, that it doesn't pay to be excited too far in advance because that takes something away from one's current experience. She gets excited on the plane to the next place.

And then she will go home. She will sadly, yet gladly go back to the place and people she calls home (yes, and to the dog she loves so much!).

We too spend our lives moving from place to place and experience to experience, especially during the summer in Maine. Camp calls to us and we go and love it there. Some of us go to warm

places in the winter and enjoy that too. But sooner or later, summer or winter, home is where we are glad to return to.

I think that our spiritual journeys are like that. No one can say that they haven't made some spiritual excursions, or even "left home" spiritually. These times are necessary for growth and strengthening, as long as that spiritual "home" is a place that calls us back when we are ready, offering warmth and the comfort of the known. Maybe the change of the seasons should call us into envisioning what sort of journey God is calling us to make, stretching out, changing, getting to know our spiritual selves and our relationship with God better, and bring us home with new insights, new gifts to bring, new roles to explore.

In this season of dampness and promise, may we all stop a bit and look for the new light of summer, of life.

Leslie+



### Returning Home

I need to be quiet, move quietly  
Among the whirling vortices of life;  
Find a flat place to be  
Where one can squat on one's hams  
As the wind blows down the canyon.  
Staring into space--wishing for the wings  
Of Icarus, or eagles, so to flow slowly  
Down the currents of prevailing winds  
And come again to the perching place.  
I would sit tight, rooted with love,  
Thank God, in the place where I am.

Leslie Nesin



# Church Signs

## From the Deacon's Bench



The 76th General Convention of The Episcopal Church



Online news, photos and blogs are just a click away:  
from the Diocese of Maine Delegation

<http://episcopalmaine.org/>

And directly from The General Convention in Anaheim, CA

<http://www.episcopalchurch.org/gc2009.htm>



Thank you for keeping up with your pledge  
commitment during the summer months.

Roger Habrle, Treasurer



For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

# Good Shepherd



Sunday School Teachers ROCK!



Staff ROCKS!



Sunday, June 9, 2009

# Parish Album



Good Shepherd ...



Good Shepherd Choir



Sunday School ROCKS!



ROCKS for generations!



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

July	Birthday	Anniversary
3	Plumer, Rev. David	
7	Mooers, Molly	
24	Grant, Ellie	
27		Bossie, Harold and Shirley
August	Birthday	Anniversary
1	Price, Laura	
2	Clark, Michael	Delano, Dana and Robbie
3		Mooers, David and Nancy
4	Coville, Patrick	
5	Murphy, Glenna	
7	Delano, Robbie	
11	Pinette, Ron	Pinette, Ron & Corky
15	Hutchinson, Larry	
16	Bossie, Shirley	
17	Drysdale, Jessie	
21	Hutchinson, Anne	
27	Grant, Fred	
28	Nelson, Janette	
29	McIntosh, Pat	



Do we have your special date?

Please let your editor know!



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Thanks be to GOD! Your prayers of thanks are needed here.

For the Sunday School folks and the choir, both on hiatus for the summer!

For the lovely memorial for the dog, Ray, in the memorial garden.

It means a lot.

For the joy of tending and harvesting gardens.

For band concerts in the park.

And summer visitors.

# Our Parish Directory

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Joan Logan (2011)



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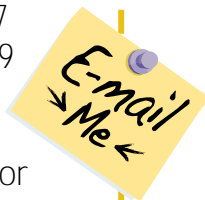
We'd like to save postage and send you a full color version of

**"The Shepherd's Flock" by email.**

Send an email to Corky requesting to be added to this list. You may also request to be removed at any time.

**DEADLINE** for "The Flock" is the 15th of each month.

Photos in this issue courtesy of Michael A. Clark



# Potato Feast Days

August 21—23

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## Fundraiser Concert

Friday August 21

Time TBA

many wonderful performances already set up!

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## Pie & Ice Cream Sale

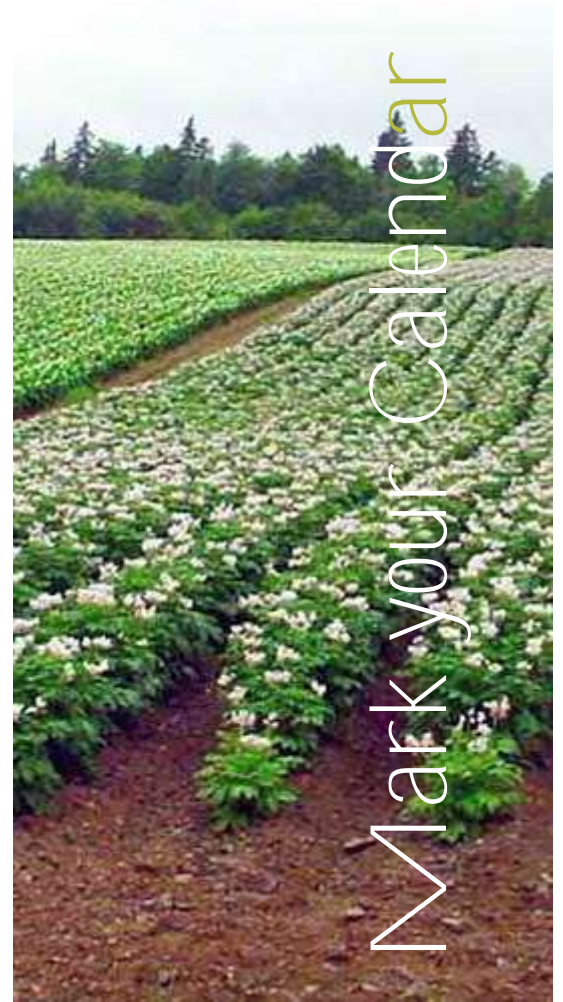
Saturday, August 22

11 am — 2 pm

## with Yard Sale

Beginning at 10 am

Please offer us GOOD stuff ... no clothes



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