



ST. JOHN'S-ON-THE-LAKE

Founded as an Episcopal chapel in 1927, St. John's-on-the-Lake became an Association in 1954 and provides non-denominational religious services for worshippers of all faiths.

278 Bear Island
Meredith, NH 03253

May 20, 2011

Dear Friends,

Eighty-four years have passed since the chapel of St. John's-on-the-Lake was constructed on the summit of Lake Winnepesaukee's Bear Island. Over the decades our simple field stone chapel has been the site of summer Sunday services as well as numerous weddings and baptisms. The 2011 schedule of guest clergy has been finalized and we look forward to welcoming you as we continue to fulfill the rich legacy of faith and service that motivated establishment of St. John's in 1927.

You will note a number of familiar names among the guest clergy including Father Jack Hurley, who will conduct a Catholic Mass on August 14, and our dear friend and Bear Island resident, the Rev. Sandor Farkas who will host a Blessing of the Animals on July 28th. Youth Sunday will again be led by Camp Nokomas on August 7.

For those of you who will be coming to the Lake over Memorial Day weekend, please join us for a morning of fellowship and physical activity at 10am on Sunday, May 29th, as we ready the Chapel for the coming summer of worship. Enthusiastic volunteers are needed to open the Chapel, dust and wash the windows and clear the walking trails.

This year we also want to invite you to submit prayer requests to include in the chapel bulletin. The weekly bulletin is a project of great care and devotion by Cyndy Mernick. The bulletin includes a schedule of worship but also provides information on events of interest to the St. John's community and this summer, a special section to remind us of those to keep in our prayers. You will find copies of past bulletins on our web site at stjohnsonthelake.com.

Finally for those of you who come to church from the docks in Deep Cove you will appreciate the hard work of Stan Janiak who has labored mightily over several summers to create a series of switchbacks on the trail to make the climb safer and more accessible.

St. John's-on-the-Lake is dependent upon your generous support. This summer we will be investing in replacing the Chapel's front doors to enhance security, and painting the church tower to better preserve it from the elements. Please consider a charitable gift this year to help us maintain this historic island church and its ecumenical summer ministry.

Sincerely,

Ripley Forbes

St. John's-on-the-Lake Association

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