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St. Elizabeth's Youth Mission Trip Sunday, June 24 – Saturday, June 30, 2012

“Seek and serve Christ in all persons... Strive for justice and peace among all people...”
from The Baptismal Covenant, *The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 305

For our 2012 Youth Mission Trip, St. Elizabeth's will be heading up to Cushing, Maine, for the week of June 24-30. Two St. Elizabeth's parishioners have graciously offered their beautifully refurbished barn (a “dorm,” really) to be used as our base camp. We will be working on various service/work projects such as clearing trails at the Hog Island Audubon Center and assisting local service organizations. We will also have the opportunity to visit the Reverend Lu-Anne Conner at her church in Newcastle, Maine. Needless to say, we are quite excited at the prospect of seeing her—and she looks forward to seeing us!

As well as working on the daily service projects, all members of our mission trip crew will help in the preparation, serving, and clean-up of our meals, and help in keeping our base camp clean. Days will begin and end not only with meetings and group reflection, but with times of prayer and worship, as well. And we will enjoy some *fun* down-time in the area, too.

This trip is limited to 12-14 participants. Teens must be current 8th graders or older to participate.

The cost of the program is \$350 per individual.

A non-refundable deposit of \$150 is required by February 15. Balance of \$200 is required by May 25.

******Scholarships are available.******

If you or your child(ren) have any interest in participating in this mission trip, please contact me (jconley@stesridgewood.org) as soon as possible.

I look forward to sharing another great mission trip experience with a dynamic crew from St. Elizabeth's.

The Rev. Joan F. Conley