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From the Clergy Assistant

Youth Mission Trip 2012

Please keep Jack, Dillon, Elizabeth, Abby, Olivia, Lucas, Nicole, Olivia, Aidan, Sharon and myself in your prayers as we head to Maine for our 2012 Youth Mission Trip the week of June 24–30. Please also hold Lynn and Don in your prayers; they have graciously offered to have us stay on their property in Cushing, Maine. Lynn and Don have been instrumental in helping with preparations and arranging worksites and projects. Don will also serve as an adult project leader with our crew throughout the week.

For three of our service days we will be at the Hog Island Audubon Center working on such projects as clearing trails. Our other service day will be spent working on the grounds and buildings at The Carpenter's Boat Shop, a unique ministry recommended by Lu-Anne Conner. This is an apprenticeship-school and community for people who are in various forms of life transitions, whether between jobs and new directions, or alcoholism and sobriety, or other such transitions. Lu-Anne Conner and Kate McCormick will also be working with us for our day at the Carpenter's Boat Shop. We are all looking forward to sharing that time together. We also look forward to Lu-Anne showing us around her "new" church, St. Andrew's in Newcastle.

We hope that this may be a rich experience of service, fellowship, and prayer which will assist each of us in deepening our relationships with each other and with God, and enrich our ministries here at home. Our 2012 Youth Mission Trip crew appreciates your prayers and looks forward to sharing our various experiences with you upon our return.

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