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TOGETHER IN PRAYER

— PENTECOST WEEKEND 2014 —

As on the Day of Pentecost, when Jesus' followers spoke in the languages of many nations, but were united in the power of the Spirit to proclaim God's mighty deeds, we envision that on Pentecost Weekend 2014, the diverse people of the Metropolitan New York Synod will be united in prayer for the mission and ministry we share.

As an expression of the work of the Claimed Committee of our synodical strategic plan, the people, congregations, ministries, clusters, and conferences of our synod will convene **diverse occasions for prayer** on Pentecost Weekend 2014, June 7 (Vigil of Pentecost) and/or June 8 (Day of Pentecost). We envision that all of God's people in our synod will pray in various formats and styles **for the Holy Spirit to guide us** more deeply into faith through the means of grace for the mission to which God calls us **"for such a time as this."**

Pentecost Weekend 2014 will also serve as a "kick-off" for a five-year long synodical strategic plan emphasis on living out the means of grace more prayerfully: **"Growing Deeply in Faith: Five Years of God's Creative Grace!"**

Our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will take you and the people in your local communities **deeper into the life of prayer**. Look for resources to support your planning in upcoming issues of the synod e-letter.



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