Glad Tidings

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Vicar's Voice

"The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." (Psalm 24:1)

That verse is for me the beginning of all stewardship, because it reminds me of my place in God's creation. All things come from God, and everything I have comes from God. When I hike in the mountains, I'm aware that I'm a part of God's creation, and everything has a place in the creation.

Everything comes from God. As a child of God and a follower of Jesus Christ, I've been given the gift of life and the gift of salvation. Everything I do is a response to this giftedness. As a baptized person, my response is to be a steward of these gifts, and to use them wisely.

My life at St. Antony's is one way I respond to God's gifts. I worship God at St. Antony's, I share the life of community at St. Antony's, and I take part in the ministries of St. Antony's. My participation at church is one way I am a steward of God's gifts.

It's been said that "Stewardship is every Christians' primary vocation." The way we use our time, talent, and treasure in every area of our lives is our true vocation and calling. Stewardship isn't just giving money to the church, but giving ourselves in every area of our lives.

I hope that I use my time, talent, and treasure wisely in all areas of my life. I know that my faith is a very important part of my life, and I want to give it its proper place. One way I do that is by making a pledge to St. Antony's. The standard of giving in the Episcopal Church is 10% of one's income. This is a high stanbard, and not many attain to it, but it's the Biblical standard as well as the traditional measure of giving.

This year I have given \$472 a month as my pledge to the operating fund at St. Antony's, plus \$120 a month as my pledge to the Building Fund. That makes \$592 a month, which is right at 10% of my monthly paycheck. In addition, I give to various worthy causes as I'm able. Right now those amounts are small, but I hope to increase them.

It's taken many years for me to work up to giving 10%, but I'm glad that I've been able to reach that goal. Now that it's part of my monthly budget, it only seems natural and normal, and I'm thankful that I'm able to give back to God a portion of what God has given me. In the next year, I'll increase my pledge to match my increase in salary, about 1.6%.

As you consider your pledge to St. Antony's for next year, I hope you'll remember that "The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof," and be generous in your response.

2015 Diocesan Convention

The Diocese of Olympia will hold its 104th Annual Convention on November 13 and 14 in Lynnwood, WA. The theme this year will be **So that All Might See Jesus**. Your delegates from St. Antony's will be Charles Smith and Carolyn Sorrell. Alternate Delegates are Gail Westin and Bill Demmon. You are encouraged to voice your thoughts and opinions to these delegates so that we may represent St. Antony's as accurately as possible when voting on the issues presented. The issues include: the diocesan budget, nominations for new members to the Standing Committee and to the Diocesan Council, and ratification of the purposed resolutions. All of these items are described in detail on the Diocesan website www.ecww.org/annualconvention

Also on the website you will find the bios of nominees for the committees. We can be proud that our own vicar, Rev. Bill Fulton is one of the esteemed members of the Standing Committee which "serves as Council of advice for the bishop and becomes the diocesan ecclesiastical authority in the bishop's absence."

The resolutions put forth for ratification so far include the following:

- 1. 2017 Diocesan Assessment Rate
- 2. Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to Clergy Salary Scale for 2016
- 3. Continuing Support for the millennium Development Goals
- 14. Concerning Response to Central American Refugees
- 5. Calling for Respect for Human Dignity in Campaign Season

At the pre-convention meeting of delegates, it was pointed out that we might want to pay particular attention to the last two resolutions, as they have brought about the most discussion.

Again, If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions please let them be known. Your thoughts and considerations are vital to the roll St. Antony's plays in the work of the diocese and ultimately to the work of the Episcopal Church on a national level.

Carolyn Sorrell, Delegate



Our musicians prepare a Prelude to be played before worship. These few minutes before worship are an opportunity for us to quiet our minds and center ourselves. Please be respectful to our musicians and those who would like to hear the music by maintaining silence during the Prelude.

Bill



Stewardship

I write this while still in Belgium, eager to return home this weekend, only to pack bags again for more travel in November and then again in December.

While away, I think often of Saint Antony's and what our church family means to me, especially while I am away. Saint Antony's has become our extended family, so important to Chad and Chelsea as they have grown from child to adult, so important to Melanie and me and Priscilla. I think of that particularly as I reflect each year on the gifts I will return to God for all the blessings he has bestowed upon us. Please join me in your own reflection over the weeks ahead.

Bill Reeder
Stewardship Commissioner
Saint Antony's Bishop's Committee

Outreach

At our last meeting \$200.00 was designated for Kingston Food Bank along with the regular donation of \$100.00 to the Lord's Diner.

Janet Stiller and Barbara Berglind gave a report on the Kitsap Rescue Organization meeting/luncheon as very informative about their program.

Discussion on a future art show fund raiser was again put on hold. Other ideas were discussed to raise funds for outreach projects. Donna Hilton will activate the Christmas Angel Program with a limit of 25 names, all to be 10 yrs. or younger. The next meeting will be Nov 9th, 2015, all are welcome.

Elizabeth Haney, Outreach Commissioner

Tony's Trekkers Hike November 21st.

Come join us for a morning of exploring Tacoma Metro Park's Swan Creek. Take a morning to explore nature before the busy holiday season begins.

2820 Pioneer Way E. Tacoma, WA 98404

http://www.metroparkstacoma.org/swan-creek-park/

Carpool from St. Antony's at 9 AM Phil and Robin will lead the way.

Drive is approximately 1 hour (across Narrow's toll bridge).

Swan Creek is a lovely forested canyon on the edge of East Tacoma. Trail (around a 4 mile round trip) is of easy to moderate difficulty but does have some steep sections and may be muddy, so plan accordingly. We are hoping that our visit will coincide with the beginning of salmon spawning in the creek.

Hot soup lunch at the home of the trail leader, Jenny Glass, after the hike.

RSVP to Jenny Glass jennyrglass@gmail.com or Robin Glass prglass@comcast.net

Robin Glass



Parish Life

Thanks to the initiative of Mark and Gail Westin, the **Neighborhood Ministry Program** got off to a good start. Parishioners are grouped by geographic area, and leaders are encouraged to plan at least quarterly social events for church members to connect in relaxed and informal ways. There is still a need for leaders for the Bremerton East, Silverdale East and West groups. Let us know if you are interested in filling this role.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors continue to make weekly visits to administer the Eucharist to Kaye McKerchar at Liberty Shores. Visits are available upon request to those church members who are homebound.

Whereas the Parish Life commission is tasked with planning to meet our congregation's social and pastoral needs, our church family does a great job of meeting these needs in very natural and unplanned ways. Continue to breathe life into the Parish Life of our community by sharing the love of Christ with one another.

Loretta McGinley and Mark Westin

Gather - Grow - Go ... Communications in Real Life.

During the last few months the communications process within St. Antony has improved dramatically as shown by our actions and the positive result concerning the couple discovered living in our forest.

Gather:

As the awareness of their presence became known, it became apparent the issue of "Nick and Carrie" and their situation was not a widely known topic. Rumors flew, some folks talked among themselves, until eventually the BC was officially notified. What the broader St. Antony's congregation knew about Nick and Carrie was minimal at best. The process of gathering information commenced, conversations were held with Nick and Carrie, the issue of what to do was an agenda item for the September BC Meeting.

Grow:

As September went along, it became apparent that not everyone in the congregation knew about the couple in the forest. Communications improved through face-to-face conversations, through prayer and informative emails, and various meetings to exchange information among all involved. It became clear something must be done. Generosity, concerns, Christian kindness, and legal issues were all discussed. Our level of information grew and our ability to communicate was again improving and growing.

Go:

Through interest and efforts of many, plans were put in to action to improve Nick and Carrie's situation. We communicated with local community resources and we offered funds and items to assist the couple. In short, we Gathered information and communicated ... we Grew our knowledge of the couple's situation ... we discussed options and developed a set of initiatives to Go help them ... and therefore as we reached out to Nick and Carrie we also brought the local community resources to bear. We informed the Diocese. We kept status emails flowing. We kept talking and doing.

And, as a result of the actions of many and an improved process of communication, a need was discovered, concern was raised, discussions of what needed and could be done occurred, actions happened, and the lives of Nick and Carrie improved.

Finally, lessons were learned on how to improve communications skills. The BC learned how to inform the congregation better, and the Love of Christ to help those in need was evident in every quarter.

Keep communicating. Keep Gathering, Growing, and Going

Bill Demmon, Communications, St. Antony's Bishop's Committee

Welcome Coffee for all 2015 newcomers:

Please reserve the afternoon of Tuesday, November 17 at 2:00 pm for a special gathering being planned for you. Details will follow soon.

Submitted by the Welcoming Commission

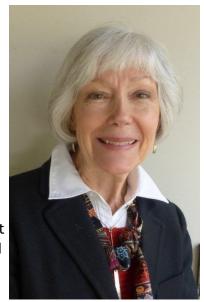


Getting to Know You - Verbal Sketches of St. Antony Parishioners

Pamela Morton has lived in this area for some time. Earlier this year she visited St. Antony, liked what she found, and became a regular "8 o'clocker." We are very glad she did!

A "cradle Episcopalian," Pam was born in Utah, but as a child moved with her family to Port Townsend where she completed high school. She then attended both Western Washington University and the University of Utah where she studied fine arts and interior design. Following marriage, she and her husband settled in the Northwest as restauranteurs, owners of the Clambake in Port Orchard and the Lobster Shop at Dash Point in Federal Way.

In these enterprises and while raising a family, Pamela says her involvement was always with the accounting department rather than the complexities of food preparation - though she adds that today, as a hobby, she likes cooking and trying out new recipes.



Following the sojourn in the restaurant business, she became independently employed and used her accounting skills to work for various firms in different locations - Carmel, Monterey, Sedona, Seattle, and others. Some jobs dealt with property management, but one that was distinctly different was her position as accountant for the US Ski Team home-based in Park City, Utah. There she not only had the pleasure of getting to know individual athletes, but she and her children also enjoyed the abundance of skiing opportunities the resort town offered.

Today Pam continues to be a fan of the outdoors. Besides walking and working out regularly, she skies at Crystal, likes to hike in the Olympics with her brother when he visits from Colorado, and enjoys being a part of Tony's Trekkers.

In between many such activities, she undertook the challenging task of remodeling a home she purchased in Keyport - one with a bird's eye view of the water. It was a rather daunting project for a single woman, but Pamela (who says she's up to "taking a risk on things") was able to consult with both her brother and her son who are in the building trades. The project also gave her an opportunity to put into practice her earlier studies in fine arts and interior design.

Though she has three grown children and ten grandchildren (ages six to twenty-four), unfortunately none live in Washington. That's why "church means a lot," she says. She likes St. Antony's traditional service, the interest groups available, and events such as the recent dinners - all of which foster meeting people and becoming involved. She says, "They make you feel you can give of yourself and make you feel part of family." She also observes that "family is most important as you get older. You can enjoy living alone, but you also need to connect."

We are very pleased that Pamela has "connected" with us at St. Antony and grateful that she has become part of our church family.

Submitted by Sylvia Campbell, Welcoming Commission

Building Committee

I am happy to report that the design of our new facility has reached a major milestone. The floor plan has been



completed and is moving into design development. The Design Committee has worked very well and put in many hours of evening meetings to reach this point. Kudos to them and Rice Fergus Miller Architects. Now in the process is the exterior design and finish selections. This will work concurrently with the filing of paperwork with Kitsap County as we move forward toward actual permits. Several permits will be required along with a minor amendment to the Conditional Use Permit (CUP). CUP amendment will take 90 days or so after documents are delivered to the county. No permits will be issued until CUP amendment is approved.

Meetings with the county have already notified them of the minor changes and no resistance has been detected to the amendments. We are hopefully looking a smooth process with the county.

You may have heard of the addition of a "Picnic" Shelter to also be placed on the new property. This shelter is proposed to go into the grove of trees near where we have held the August service and picnic the past three years. Recently our architect Steve Rice had some tall Doug Fir trees removed from his property. These trees have been taken to a mill and the timbers are being donated to St. Antony's for use in the shelter project and some interior finish work of the new church. This is a wonderful donation of lumber. I hope that members of the congregation will donate to help cover the cost of the milling of the timbers. We need to raise about \$3,000. What a little amount for so much of a gift. All the new timbers will be stacked in the barn and allowed to dry slowly and naturally. This will make beautiful wood for the shelter. It is expected that the shelter will become regularly used for outside services, weddings, picnics, church school activities and VBS. Community groups may use the new shelter. What a wonderful out reach for St. Antony's into the community around us.

The Holy Spirit continues to guide us as we continue with our project. John Stockwell-Chairman

News from the Altar/Flower Guild



We will be decorating the Altar for Thanksgiving on Saturday morning, November 21st, keeping a bountiful harvest theme in mind. Besides flowers, we will be using hardy fruit and vegetables as well as canned foods nestled in dried grasses and other dried materials.

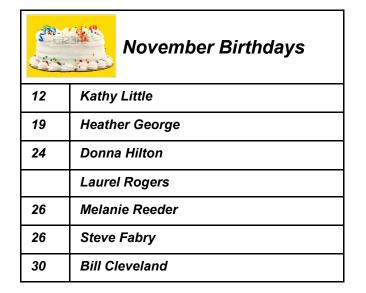
Instead of just the Altar/Flower Guild, we would like the entire congregation to have a chance to participate. The fall produce we are looking for are: acorn, but-

ternut and spaghetti squash, potatoes, yams, sugar pie pumpkins, apples, oranges, lemons, sealed sacks of nuts, maple syrup in a jug, vacuum sealed dried fruit, coffee, cocoa, and any other hardy items to make a Thanksgiving meal complete. All these food stuffs will be taken to the Central Food bank in time for them to be used in

their Thanksgiving boxes. Please bring your donations to church by Friday the 20th. You can leave them under the table in the Narthex.

Poinsettias. We have them ordered and we are looking forward to decorating the Altar area with all that beautiful red! If you would like to sign up for a poinsettia, the sheet will be placed in the Narthex on Nov. 8th in the usual spot. We would like to suggest a donation of \$15.00 but would be grateful for whatever you wish to give. The Christmas Eve bulletin will have your name listed.

Thankfully yours, Caroline Hoag



November Anniversaries					
05	Norman & Tovi Andrews				
06	Laurie & Dean Wagner				
25	Stu & Carol Smith				
26	John & Debbie Stockwell				

Deadline for the December Glad Tidings is Tuesday, November 24th at 10 am. Please use stantonysilverdale@gmail.com for all submissions. Thank you.



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Financial Report						
Income for September	\$13,040.09	Income for 2015	\$151,002.27\$			
Expenses in September	\$16,130.42	Expenses for 2015	\$136,817.58			
Net in September	\$(3,090.33)	Net for 2015	\$14,184.69			

November 2015 Schedule						
JOBS	November 1 All Saints Day	November 8 24th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 27	November 15 25th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 28	November 22 Last Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 29	November 29 First Sunday in Advent	
EM 8 am	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Elizabeth Moorhead	John Steller	Donna Hilton	Lynda Loveday	Norma Tipton	
GREETER 8 am	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Smith	Jacque Walker	Jacque Walker Rod & Marin Mash		
				Youth Sunday		
EM 10 am	Olivia Stalter	Peter Stockwell	Ken Stephens	Charles Smith	Peter Stockwell	
LC/OT 10 am	Larry Little	Ken Stephens	Jim Foley	Benjamin W.	Ray Flagg	
LC/NT 10 am	Karen Hauser	Kathy Little	Stu Smith Christina W.		Elizabeth Flagg	
ACOLYTES 10 am	Kate Z. Aina Z. Ken S.	Heather C.	Benjamin W. Christina W. Jason W.	Kate Z. Christine W. Aina Z.	Christina E. Charles S.	
GREETER 10 am	Nancy Ladenberger	Liz Haney	Allison & Shane C.	Jason W. & Laurel R.	Carole Nau	
USHER 10 am	Dave & Jan P.	Chris Crowson	Dave & Carolyn S.	Luke R. & Laurel R.	Shane & Allison C.	
BPOD	Sylvia Campbell	Bill Fulton	Loretta McGinley	Mark Westin	Penney Whitney	
COUNTERS Nancy Ladenberger Bill Demmon		Karen Hauser Bill Cleveland	Chris Crowson Jim Foley	Nancy Ladenberger Norma Tipton	Jacque Walker Karen Hauser	
COFFEE HOUR	Jane S. & Carrie R.	Carolyn Sorrell	Allison Carlson	Gail & Mark Westin	Heather Carnocki	
Eucharistic Visitors	Beth Rohlfing	Olivia Stalter	Beth Rohlfing	Loretta McGinley	Kathy Little	
1st LESSON	Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9	Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17	1 Samuel 1:4-20	2 Samuel 23:1-7	Jeremiah 33:14-16	
PSALM	Psalm 24	Psalm 127	1 Samuel 2:1-10	Psalm 132:1-19	Psalm 25:1-9	
2nd LESSON	Revelation 21:1-6a	Hebrews 9:24-28	Hebrews 10:11-25	Revelation 1:4b-8	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13	
GOSPEL	John 11:32-44	Mark 12:38-44	Mark 13:1-8	John 18:33-37	Luke 21:25-36	

Roster of Volunteers for Services If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday, please call someone from this list. (A strike through a name means they are not available now but will be back.)							
LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS	TERS COUNTERS USHERS		ACOLYTES		
8 AM	8 AM	8 AM	Bill Cleveland	Shane and Allison C.	Heather C.		
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Dave & Vivian Durfee	Chris Crowson	Chris Crowson	Carleton M.		
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Bill Demmon	Ray Flagg	Christina E.		
Lynda Loveday	Elizabeth Moorhead	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Foley	Pete Morris	Chelsea R.		
Elizabeth Moorhead	Bill Demmon	Lynda Loveday	Karen Hauser	Dave & Jan Peterson	Drew W.		
John Steller	Charles Smith	Rod & Marin Mash	Nancy Ladenberger	Dave & Carolyn S.	Mackenzie W.		
Norma Tipton		Jim Smith	Norma Tipton		Benjamin W.		
Mardi Dawson (sub)		Jacque Walker	Jacque Walker		Christina W.		
10 AM	10 AM		Heidi Feenstra-Wilson		Jason W.		
Gail Ferguson	Carolyn Segrist	10 AM			Aina Z.		
Elizabeth Flagg	Charles Smith	Tovi Andrews			Kate Z.		
Jim Foley	Olivia Stalter	Malcolm & Sylvia C.					
Karen Hauser	Ken Stephens	Allison Carlson					
Kathy & Larry Little	Peter Stockwell	Ray & Elizabeth Flagg					
Carolyn Segrist		Liz Haney					
Stu Smith		Nancy Ladenberger					
Ken Stephens		Carole Nau					
Mike Wentworth							

November 2015

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8 &10 am Holy Eucharist Pentecost Nursery / Sunday School All Saints Day	2	3 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 9 am Morning Prayer 9 am Welcome Committee Mtg.	4 2 pm Centering Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program 6 pm Scouts >	5 9 am Morning Prayer Noon Vicar's Bible Study 4:15 pm J 2 Adulthood 7 pm Building Comm. Meeting	6 Vicar's Day Off	7 1-6 pm Writing Group
8 8 &10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery / Sunday School	9 4:30 pm Outreach Team Mtg	10 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 9 am Morning Prayer Standing Committee	11 Veteran's Day 2pm Centering Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	12 9 am Morning Prayer Noon Vicar's Bible Study 4:15 pm J 2 Adulthood 6:30 pm BC Meeting	13 Vicar's Day Off CONVENTION	14 1-6 pm Writing Group CONVENTION
15 8 &10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery / Sunday School	16 .11 am Witty Knitters	17 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 9 am Morning Prayer 2pm Newcomer Coffee 4 pm Worship Planning	18 2 pm Centering Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	19 9 am Morning Prayer Noon Vicar's Bible Study 4:15 pm J 2 Adulthood	20 Vicar's Day Off	21 1-6 pm Writing Group
22 8 &10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery / Sunday School Youth Sunday Stewardship Ingathering SAY Meeting Christmas Pageant Info.	23 10 am Newsletter Deadline >	24 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 9 am Morning Prayer	25 2 pm Centering Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	26 Thanksgiving 9 am Morning Prayer Noon Vicar's Bible Study 4:15 pm J 2 Adulthood 6pm Scouts	27 Vicar's Day Off	28 1-6 pm Writing Group
29 8 &10 am Holy Eucharist Pentecost Nursery / Sunday School Christmas Pageant Practice Begins	30					

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The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming people who worship God, grow in Christ, and serve others.

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