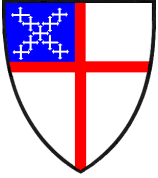


Glad Tidings

September 2020



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Vicar's Voice

When the pandemic shutdown began back in mid-March, I thought it would last 4 to 6 weeks and then we'd be back to normal. I couldn't have been more wrong! In fact, the longer the shutdown continues, the more I realize it's becoming a way of life. We're not likely to get back to normal church services with a full congregation for a long time.

This makes me wonder, how do we become church during a pandemic? So much of what it means to be church is about being together physically. Normally we gather for worship on Sundays, for Bible study on Thursdays, for feeding the hungry at the Lord's Neighborhood Diner, for potlucks and dinners, and so on. Without being together physically, it's hard to visualize what it means to be the church.

Of course, virtual worship services and online meetings help fill the gap. Livestreaming the Eucharist helps us feel connected to God, to Christ, and to each other. Having a Zoom meeting is the next-best thing to being together in person. And telephone calls help us stay up to date with each other.

But I wonder if there other ways to be the church that we're not thinking about? How can we be imaginative in doing ministry without being together in large groups? I invite you to think about how we can be the church in this strange new time.

For instance, is there a way we could do a drop-off food drive? Or is there a way we could share a devotional practice? What about making videos to share with each other? Are there other ways to use Zoom that we haven't thought of? Should we explore teleconferencing for those who don't have computer access?

Maybe this is a time for us to re-imagine the church and find new ways of doing things that we haven't thought of before. Maybe God is challenging us to become more creative in our ideas of what church is about. I hope you'll give some thought to these things and share what you come up with.

Soon we'll be sending our Mutual Ministry Review survey to everyone in the congregation. It's worded quite a bit differently this year to reflect the changed circumstances of the pandemic. The last question in the survey is an open-ended question, asking, "How can we best be the church during the pandemic?" I hope you'll share your creative ideas and visions in that space. Thanks!

Bill

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who worship God, grow in Christ, and serve others.
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District Music Conference

I am the presenter for the District IV conference for the Washington State Music Teachers Association. Because the conference is online, it is open to the public. Therefore, I'd like to invite my church family at St. Antony's to the conference.

The conference takes place on October 4. Although the afternoon session of the conference is specifically geared toward music teachers, the first session from 10AM-Noon is all about the composer Claude Debussy. I will play and talk about Debussy's music. Registration fees for the conference go toward educational programs for District IV of the music teachers association. Here are links that have more information.

Website for conference: <https://sites.google.com/view/districtivconference/home>

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In God's Peace,
Joann Richardson, Organist-Choirmaster



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Mutual Ministry Review

The mutual ministry review will soon be mailed to all parishioners. Everyone age 13 or over is invited to fill them out. You will receive one questionnaire for each member of your household age 13 and older.

After filling them out, you can either drop them off at church on Tuesdays from 8-10 am or you can mail them to the church office:

P.O. Box 2822,
Silverdale, WA 98383

Your answers are very needed at this time so please take the time to fill them out.

Thank you!
Penny Whitney, Peoples Warden
Linda Robuck



Update on Livestream Equipment

By Bill Fulton

I'd like to thank everyone who has been so generous in donating to our livestream equipment fund. We've received over \$6,000 in donations to help us fund new this technology, including cameras, a laptop, cables, converters, a computer switching device, and audio equipment.

This week we began setting up the new hardware and installing the new software. Like all things technological, it requires delving into computer settings, linking computer systems, matching up the proper cables, creating compatible systems, and becoming familiar with the bizarre and bewildering world of software. But we're making progress!

We'll be able to livestream our Sunday Eucharist very soon with the new equipment. At first we may be a bit shaky as we learn how to produce the livestream feed, and I hope you'll be forgiving of any mistakes or glitches. But we're hopeful that we'll learn quickly and provide an improved experience over time.

At present the new equipment is spread out at the back of the nave, but we plan to mount the cameras and cables in such a way that they're unobtrusive. The goal is to provide a quality livestreamed service without disruption to worshippers who are present.

Again, thanks for your generosity and your willingness to support this new effort. If you haven't yet contributed, your donation will help us continue to upgrade our system. Thanks.



Charles Mission News

August 5, 2020

Prison Ministry Update

Since the last newsletter, the prison ministry team has completed orientations for our new team members, and we started reviewing the bible study materials in preparation for when we can return to the prison.

We have also reviewed and finalized our mission statement. The primary cause of Truth is Light Prison Ministry is to witness to those in prison. Our mission is to impact the lives and raise the spiritual climate of those in prison so that they may become filled with hope, able to follow Jesus, and bring others to Jesus. We adopted the motto "we are free to be one in Christ."

In a Zoom meeting with St. Antony's Church, we were talking about people needing to wear their face masks. The government of Uganda has promised to distribute face masks to Ugandans and has done so in 27 districts so far. They have not reached Koboko yet. Several people have donated special funds for a face mask project. I talked with a government representative who said that the government would not be distributing in the prison or the hospital and suggested I distribute it there. The first batch of face masks was turned over to the officer in charge of the prison in July. He asked for 200 more, which will be delivered in early August.



Face Masks

The officer in charge of the prison also mentioned that we would be allowed to return to the prison to resume our bible study when Uganda allows the churches to re-open. Discussions are occurring at the national level, but there is no timeline.

Other Ministry

In March, we held a Transformational Prayer Ministry (TPM) seminar. The lock-down delayed plans for follow-up small group meetings to review the material. Now the restrictions on transportation have been lessened, and it is possible to travel. Two small groups have been formed. I am participating with the group out in Mugujai, one of the towns where we were doing discipleship work (and I hope to do so again once group size restrictions are eased).

The lock-down

Communication: Great news, Uganda has re-opened their postal service. I have also learned the cell tower near me is part of a different network, so I subscribed to that network too. My internet service still is less than perfect; however, it is better.

Transportation: Buses can move now - at half capacity. Passenger cars (both public and private) can move now - a maximum of four people, including the driver. This will drive transportation costs up; however, we can move now. This will allow for some of our ministries to resume.

Prayer Requests

- For those impacted by Covid-19 restrictions
- The prison ministry

Thanksgivings

- The prison ministry team
- All those who have been able to support me, especially during these uncertain times.

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September Birthdays

1	<i>Barbara Hart</i>
4	<i>Esther Osborne</i>
8	<i>Elexa Tubberville</i>
	<i>Barbara Thaete</i>
15	<i>Karen Grubb</i>
17	<i>Cheryl Wright</i>
18	<i>Heidi Feenstra- Wilson</i>
19	<i>Malcolm Campbell</i>
20	<i>Sylvia Campbell</i>
21	<i>Emily Nickerson</i>
22	<i>Christina Morris</i>
23	<i>Jessica Sherwin</i>
24	<i>Chad Fulton</i>
	<i>George Anderson</i>
25	<i>David Stockwell</i>
	<i>Christopher Ferguson</i>
26	<i>Benny Wright</i>
28	<i>Shane Carlson</i>
29	<i>Rev. Bill Fulton</i>



September Anniversaries

5	<i>Bill & Melanie Reeder</i>
7	<i>Rev. Bill & Barbara Thaete</i>
16	<i>John & Marj Zantek</i>
17	<i>Mac & Jean Mackimmie</i>
24	<i>Darrow & Ruth Lindstrum</i>
26	<i>Bill & Heather George</i>
28	<i>Chris Christensen & Esther Osborne</i>

Deadline for the October Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, September 22nd** at 10 am. Please send all submissions to: stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.

Financial Report July **preliminary**			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$20,032.74	\$143,147.21	Local Checking	\$83,650.86
Operating Expenses	\$21,797.95	\$132,487.64	Local Savings	\$17,157.97
Net in July	\$(1,765.21)	10,659.57	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$175,736.04
			Total	\$276,544.87

September 2020 Schedule

JOBS	September 6 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 18	September 13 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 19	September 20 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 20	September 27 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 21
EM 8 am	Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	John Teller
LC/OT & NT 8 am				
GREETER 8 am				
EM 10 am	Cris McCarty	Lee Halkias	Chelsea Reeder	Peter Stockwell
LC/OT 10 am				
LC/NT 10 am				
ACOLYTES 10 am				
GREETER 10 am				
USHER 10 am				
COUNTERS				
COFFEE HOUR				
Eucharistic Visitors	Loretta McGinley	Penny Whitney / Olive Stalter	Dave Peterson	
BPod				
1st LESSON	Ezekiel 33:7-11	Genesis 50:15-21	Jonah 3:10-4:11	Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32
PSALM	Psalms 119:33-40	Psalms 103:(1-7), 8-13	Psalms 145:1-8	Psalms 25:1-8
2nd LESSON	Romans 13:8-14	Romans 14:1-12	Philippians 1:21-30	Philippians 2:1-13
GOSPEL	Matthew 18:15-20	Matthew 18:21-35	Matthew 20:1-16	Matthew 21:23-32

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	COUNTERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
8 am	8 am	8 am	Bill Cleveland A	Chris Crowson	Carleton M.
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Chris Crowson B	Ray Flagg	Cris McCarty
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Foley A	Dave & Jan Peterson	Christina M.
Elizabeth Moorhead	Elizabeth Moorhead	Pam Morton	Maggie Scott B	Ed Segrist	Chelsea R.
John Teller	Bill Reeder	John & Jane Teller	Norma Tipton B	Dave & Carolyn Sorrell	Laurel R.
Norma Tipton	John Teller		David Wedeven B	Mark Westin	Mackenzie W.
Mardi Dawson (sub)			Heidi Feenstra-Wilson A	Barb Hart - Substitute	Benjamin W.
			Marj Zantek B		Christina W.
10 am	10 am	10 am			Jason W.
Elizabeth Flagg	Lee Halkias	Tovi Andrews			
Jim Foley	Cris McCarty	Suzanne Brock	A - computer		
Cris McCarty	Chelsea Reeder	Elizabeth Flagg	B - non computer		
Sarah Rogers	Peter Stockwell	Liz Haney			
Stu Smith		Carole Nau			
Michael Wentworth		Malcolm & Sylvia (substitute)			

September 2020

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> Vicar's Day Off	<i>5</i>
			<i>_Vicar on Vacation_</i>			
<i>6</i> 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Godly Play	<i>7</i> Labor Day	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	<i>10</i> Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom 6:30 pm Bishop's Committee Meeting	<i>11</i> Vicar's Day Off	<i>12</i> 10:00 am The Lord's Diner 1:00 pm Ken Stephens Memorial
<i>13</i> 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Godly Play	<i>14</i> 10:30 am Witty Knitters	<i>15</i> 1 pm Worship Planning Mtg.	<i>16</i> 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	<i>17</i> Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom	<i>18</i> Vicar's Day Off	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Godly Play	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 10 am Newsletter Deadline	<i>23</i> 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	<i>24</i> Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom	<i>25</i> Vicar's Day Off	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i> 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Godly Play	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream			

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