

Glad Tidings

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Vicar's Voice

In this time of coronavirus, we've learned to adopt a kind of discipline to our lives. We've learned to wear face masks, keep our social distance from others, limit our trips to the grocery store, stay at home as much as possible, and resist the urge to travel. We've learned to shrink our world into our immediate surroundings.

All this takes a kind of discipline that's required for us to survive until an effective vaccine is found and distributed (I hope that day comes soon!). It's not unlike the discipline that the people of Israel endured when they fled from Egypt and wandered in the desert. During those forty years, they learned to conserve water, find pasture for their animals, and respect their leaders. That discipline is what formed them into the people of God.

Our stewardship theme this year is "Desert Times, Desert Discipline." We can't physically come to church these days, so we're learning a discipline of worshiping remotely by livestream. It's not as satisfying as being in church with our friends and fellow parishioners, hearing the music and receiving the bread and wine. We don't get that human contact that we thrive on. But we're disciplining ourselves to remain faithful in our relationship with God and each other.

I believe our budget in the coming year should be a disciplined budget that maintains what is essential so that when the times comes to open fully, we'll be ready to start up with renewed energy and focus. "Desert Discipline" means that we are committed to supporting our church through these desert times. Soon you'll receive a pledge card in the mail with a letter asking you to make a financial commitment for next year. I hope you'll prayerfully consider how God is calling you to walk with the people of God at St. Antony's in the coming year.

I realize that some of us have had financial setbacks because of the economic recession, and I want to assure you that your prayers and presence are just as important as your financial pledge. Stewardship is about our time, talent, and treasure, and sometimes we're able to give of our time and talent more than our treasure. For those of us who have been able to maintain our financial footing, I hope we'll continue in our faithfulness and generosity. Thanks!

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

Fall Food Drive

We have started our Fall Food Drive! Thank you to everyone who has participated! You have plenty of time to give the Food drive will run through November 22th.

Remember donations to the CK food bank can be done 4 ways:

1. Cash donations can be given on line the same way you do your electronic pledge it is to designated for the food drive.
2. Cash donations can be given directly to the CK Food bank in St, Antony's name and once you donated please email, message or text the amount to the Outreach Committee.
3. Food donations can be given directly to the CK Food bank in St, Antony's name and once you donated please email, message or text the amount to the Outreach Committee.
4. You can Bring the food to St Antony's on Monday at 10:00 November 23rd volunteers will take items from your car and deliver it to the CK Food Bank with no personal contact.

All announcements will be on global congregational email, Facebook and the October and November Newsletters. The next outreach Meeting is October 27th at 7:00PM it will be on Zoom. There will be an email provided prior to the meeting giving the access information please attend if you can. Thank you all who attended the last meeting, For those who are in need of assistance for food or know someone who is in need there is a Facebook page titled "Food For Free Bremerton/Port Orchard/Gig Harbor" the page provides information on various local programs that provides food and where to pick it up.

Father Bill brought this request from the Coffee Oasis to my attention. The they has asked for our support for their Family Christmas project. This is their request for your review and comment:

"When a youth lives outside with no place to call home and no people to call family, they never feel more alone than when the winter storm comes. Winter is like a taunting bully, pounding on the brain, telling them to just give up, telling them that nobody wants them, that all the doors are shut and they have been left outside. For many of our youth, Thanksgiving and Christmas are two reminders every year that they have fallen through the cracks—they have been lost and forgotten. Each year, hundreds of homeless and at-risk youth come to Christmas parties held by The Coffee Oasis. They come to share dinner, sing Christmas songs, hear the Christmas story, and open gifts. While the Family Christmas Project will look slightly different this year due to COVID-19, you can still help give youth hope and a home this Christmas." They are requesting \$50.00 per youth, the campaign will run from November 28th through December 20th.

We support the Coffee Oasis in several of their community support endeavors and I would like to hear your if you feel this is as project we should support. Please contact Blaine Morgan via email prior to October 27th.

It's that time for someone in the congregation who is interested in Church Outreach to step up and volunteer to be part of the Bishops Committee! The Outreach Committee coordinates and executes the sharing of our resources with the community. Educates our Communicants as to existing needs, encourages personal participation in community and Church Outreach programs, obtains and distributes funds as needs arise. If this sounds like something you would like to do please contact any member of the Bishops Committee and we will answer any questions you may have.

Blaine Morgan
Outreach Commissioner



Home Aid Bread

These last couple of weeks I have become what the Chinese call a "leaf looker". It is a hobby of many Chinese people because it is easy to do, and you can do it with friends or by yourself. I can walk outside, or look out my windows and see a vastly changing panorama every day. Enjoy your look outside.

When I see the woodland flaming, in a brilliant red and gold; I can only stand and marvel at the splendor I behold. Only could the Master Painter clothe a tree in such array; seems I get a glimpse of heaven every sunny autumn day.

Daniel D. Rodes

Through cathedrals of the forests, I walk at summer's end. The elm, the oak, the chestnut - oh, how their colors blend! Like torches flaming, blazing, they reach to touch the sky; and in that wooded chapel I feel my God so nigh. I hear a scared hush, as soft winds gently blow among the leafy parchments, with thoughtful steps and slow, I walk in keen observance of summer's vibrant end, midst cathedrals of the forest as autumn's colors blend.

Georgia B. Adams

May your autumn days and nights be full of goodness from our Lord Jesus as he gives us thankful hearts for the many gifts he has given, and are yet prepared for us.

Tovi Andrews



Thanksgiving

For this newsletter I'd like to give thanks for the telephone friends that I have made through the once-a-week calling I've done. It can be hard to find positive things about the Covid 19 virus, but without it, I wouldn't have got to know those new friends I've made.

When I try to tell a funny dog story, not only will the person on the other end of the line laugh, but so will I; and it somehow makes even a dull day brighter. Some of you may remember a song whose words were "Look for the silver lining", and that's what the 'phone calls mean to me: a silver lining in the face of being restricted in what we can do and where we can go.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone.

Penny Whitney
People's Warden



Environment

I just thought that since it is now Fall, we will have to begin doing a Fall cleanup. A Fall Work Party has been scheduled for November 7 starting at 10:00 am. Who is up for this? Please join us.

Another reminder, to get your ballots filled out correctly and turned in. Besides the post office, there is a drop box at the school district HQ building in Silverdale on Silverdale Way.

Father Bill has sent out a message about All Saints / All Souls Day. Send in your pictures by Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 6 pm.

Yours,
Dave Peterson
Environment Commissioner



Community Garden Planning

By Bill Fulton

A small group met on Zoom on October 6 to brainstorm about a community garden at St. Antony's. We were reminded that Jesus calls us to feed the hungry, and a garden that produces food for a food bank is one way to answer this call.

We know there's a lot of knowledge among the people of St. Antony's about gardening and we'd like to hear about the best ways to set up a garden.

Several people at the meeting questioned whether we should be inviting the general public to come on our land, at least for the first year. Unless we're very organized and prepared, it could lead to chaos.

It was suggested that before proceeding, we need to have an overall plan for our church property that shows the intended uses for each area of the property (landscaping, gardens, overflow parking, wetlands, etc.). Deacon Bill agreed to create a map to show our future land use.

It was generally agreed that anything we do for the coming year would start in the spring and would be small and experimental so that we could improve upon it the following year.

We agreed that the idea of a common garden is a good idea, but it needs considerable planning before we move ahead. We scheduled our next Zoom meeting for 6:30 pm, Tuesday, November 10.

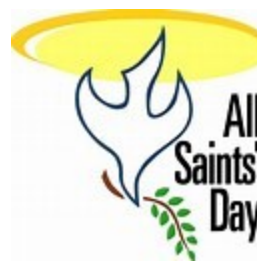


ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday, November 1

Fr. Bill is preparing a video to include photos of our loved ones for the Eucharist on All Saints' Day. If you would like to have a photo included, please email it to Fr. Bill or bring it by the office so it can be scanned and returned.

Deadline is Wednesday, October 28.



WORK PARTY

10:00 AM

Saturday, November 7

Help us prepare the church grounds for winter.
Bring gloves, tools, and warm clothes





Media Release

Holding on to Hope: A National Service for Healing and Wholeness Presiding Bishop and National Cathedral Host Live-streamed Prayers on Nov. 1

[October 15, 2020] Presiding Bishop Michael Curry will lead a live-streamed prayer service from Washington National Cathedral, *Holding on to Hope: A National Service for Healing and Wholeness*, on All Saints Sunday, November 1, at 4:00-5:30 p.m. EST. In the midst of pandemic, racial reckoning, and a historic election, the live-streamed service will gather Americans for prayer, song, lament, hope, and a call to love God and neighbor.

The service will feature an ecumenical and multifaith array of voices, musical offerings, and prayers. Using a combination of live and visually stunning pre-recorded elements gathered from across the nation, the service will be live-streamed in English and Spanish.

“The Washington National Cathedral has gathered Americans for prayer at the death of presidents, after terrible tragedies like 9/11, and in moments of joy and hope for our nation and our world,” says Bishop Curry, “As the people of the United States cast their votes for the office of president and many other offices throughout the land, we gather to pray to the God who is the Creator of us all. We pray that we might learn to stand and hold each other’s hands as the children of God.”

In addition to Bishop Curry’s sermon, the service will include reflections from Father James Martin, a noted Roman Catholic commentator on American life and values, and Valarie Kaur, an inspiring Sikh author, filmmaker and civil rights attorney. The gathering will be officiated by Washington’s Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde, Cathedral Dean Randy Hollerith, and Reverend Stephanie Spellers, Canon to the Presiding Bishop.

Prayers for the nation will come from leaders like Eboo Patel, founder and president of Interfaith Youth Core (IFY); Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Rabbi Shoshana Conover of Temple Shalom, Chicago; and Shane Claiborne, speaker, activist, and best-selling author. Music from The Coro de la Cathedral of Christ Church Cathedral-Indianapolis and Washington National Cathedral will help to lift and open hearts.

A live prayer hotline in English and Spanish will be open during the service, staffed by Episcopal clergy and chaplains, in partnership with Virginia Theological Seminary and General Theological Seminary. The hotline will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST from November 1 to November 5.

To Watch the service, click [here](https://episcopalchurch.org/holding-hope). (Press ctrl and click on “here”).

Or go to: <https://episcopalchurch.org/holding-hope>

Charles Mission News

September 29, 2020

Testimony

The prison ministry team explored Mark 3:13-19 as Godfrey asked “Is Jesus calling to us?” Three members of the team shared how they came to Jesus. Godfrey patiently waited to offer his own answer.

“Yes, Jesus is calling me. I was in S1A when, somehow, I was chosen to be the Greek Master. I did not know how to be a Greek Master.” Encouraged by his mentors, he gave his best. God blessed his effort. “They wanted to make me chairman next year.”

He said ‘no’. However, he accepted a role of increased responsibility. In his S4B year he accepted the chairmanship. “My classmates expected the chairman to take communion,” Godfrey said, “but I did not have a good relationship with Jesus.” By the end of his S4B year Godfrey accepted Jesus as his Lord and savior, been baptized, and received his first communion.



The testimonies excited the team members. We all expressed an eagerness for the day when we can re-enter the prison.

- A. The Ugandan school system starts with Nursery, then Primary one (P1) through the national exams at the end of P7. Those who pass go to Secondary school year one (S1).
- B. The fourth year of Secondary school (S4) also ends with national exams.

Thanksgivings

- For the prison ministry team
- For each of you

Prayer points

- That the prison will be re-opened for programs
- The ongoing development of prison ministry



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November Birthdays

4	Jesse Sherwin
5	Delores Perreira
19	Heather George
24	Donna Hilton
26	Melanie Reeder
	Steve Fabry
27	Nick Nickerson
30	Bill Cleveland



November Anniversaries

6	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 send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.

Financial Report September **preliminary**			Year-to-date	Account Balances	
Operating Income	\$10,251.35		\$174,234.93	Local Checking	\$66,500.89
Operating Expenses	\$17,445.99		\$175,703.68	Local Savings	\$17,158.69
Net in September	\$(7,194.64)		(\$1,468.75)	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$188,493.12
				Total	\$272,152.70

November 2020 Schedule

JOB	November 1 All Saints' Day	November 8 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Proper 27	November 15 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 28	November 22 Christ the King Sunday Proper 29	November 29 The First Sunday of Advent (Begins Year B)
EM 8 am					
LC/OT & NT 8 am					
GREETER 8 am					
EM 10 am					
LC/OT 10 am					
LC/NT 10 am					
ACOLYTES 10 am					
GREETER 10 am					
USHER 10 am					
COUNTERS					
COFFEE HOUR					
Eucharistic Visitors					
BPod					
1st LESSON	Revelation 7:9-17	Amos 5:18-24	Zephaniah 1:7,12-18	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Isaiah 64:1-9
PSALM	Psalms 34:1-10, 22	Psalms 70	Psalms 90:1-8, (9-11), 12	Psalms 95:1-7a	Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18
2nd LESSON	1 John 3:1-3	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ephesians 1:15-23	1 Corinthians 1:3-9
GOSPEL	Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 25:1-13	Matthew 25:14-30	Matthew 25:31-46	Mark 13:24-37

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	EUCCHARISTIC 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	Dave & Carolyn Sorrell	Chelsea R.
John Teller	Bill Reeder	John & Jane Teller	Norma Tipton B	Mark Westin	Laurel R.
Norma Tipton	John Teller		David Wedeven B	Barb Hart - Substitute	Mackenzie W.
Mardi Dawson (sub)			Heidi Feenstra-Wilson A		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)			

November 2020

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 All Saints Sunday 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	2	3	4 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	5 Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom	6 Vicar's Day Off	7 10: am Work Party
8 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	9	10 6:30 pm Community Garden Zoom Meeting	11 Veterans Day 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream 	12 Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom 6:30 pm Bishop's Committee Meeting	13 Vicar's Day Off	14
15 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	16 10:30 am Witty Knitters	17	18 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	19 Noon Vicar's Bible Study - Zoom	20 Vicar's Day Off	21
22 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	23	24 10 am Newsletter Deadline	25 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Livestream	26 Thanksgiving Day 	27 Vicar's Day Off	28
29 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	30					

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