

**St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
Silverdale, WA 98383**

**BC Monthly Reports
September 2021**

Vicar's Report - Bill Fulton

September 9, 2021

Reopening

I think the emergence of the Delta variant of Covid-19 has made us all aware that we need to continue with social distancing and masks for worship.

Funding for Play Set

I've found two donors who are willing to give \$1,000 each toward the purchase of the play set, which Julie said will run about \$7,000. I'll be glad to help with a fundraising program to solicit funds for the remainder. I think people will be glad to give toward a playset that's designed to attract young families.

Audit

I asked Bill and Lori Fagan to do our audit for 2020 and they agreed. They're working with Jim to get the information needed. We need this before October 1 so we can be cleared for voting at convention.

Project Resource

Five of us participated in the first session of the Zoom stewardship workshop put on by the diocese. They urged us to consider the 'why' of St. Antony's, as in, "Why do we exist?" After the workshop, we met for a second Zoom meeting to discuss this question. We had a good group with a good discussion.

Stewardship Dinner October 21

Bishop Rickel will be our speaker for this stewardship banquet. We need to start planning and create a committee to coordinate food, drinks, tables, decorations, setup and takedown, etc.

New computer for Secretary

I've ordered a new desktop computer for Linda, to replace her ancient 2009 computer. I also purchased Microsoft 365 Business Standard for the church. This has all the software programs we use, including Microsoft Publisher which we use for bulletins and newsletter.

Letter of Separation

Peter and I signed the letter of separation to send it on to the diocese. My last Sunday is October 10 and my last day in the office is October 13. There is one paragraph in the letter regarding my ability to participate as a retired vicar that needs interpretation by Arienne Davison.

Background checks

After many months of trying to work through the background check system, I asked Linda to help. She got certified to make background checks and she has begun this process.

Wedding

The wedding of Kristen Robuck and Thomas Alessio on Saturday, August 28, was a joyous day for all.

Attendance chart:

Date	Service	In-person	Virtual	Subtotal	Total
August 22	8:00	14	10	24	
	10:15	36	8	44	68
August 29	8:00	19	7	26	
	10:15	35	6	41	67
September 5	8:00	16	9	25	
	10:15	41	5	46	71

Sunday Attendance Chart 2021

May 23 to September 5 – Our attendance has remained between 60 and 70 every Sunday since we began in-person worship (this includes both services and those who watch the livestream. Because some livestream views include two people, the actual number of people is slightly higher).

PEOPLE’S WARDEN AND PASTORAL CARE – Penny Whitney

Whenever I learn of one of our parishioners who is experiencing health problems, I try to call or send a card and note. Visiting them is more difficult during these Covid times.

Would I do this if I weren’t People’s Warden? Probably. It’s just what I do.

Penny

BISHOP’S WARDEN – Peter Stockwell

No Report.

FINANCE – Jim Foley

Attached is the report for August. Donations were well below expectations, leading to a deficit of \$6,142.52 on the month and \$5,853.72 on the year. This is still better than the almost \$9,500 deficit budgeted at this point.

I will be unable to attend Thursday’s meeting in person or virtually as I will be traveling. Email me with questions and I will respond on my return.

Thanks,
Jim

OUTREACH – Loretta McGinley & Dee Perreira

The Outreach Team met 7 September and approved the following donations: \$200 to ERD, \$400 to Fishline. Dee Perreira and Maggie Scott are overseeing Outreach support to Mission to Seafarers. Information about the program is in the narthex, and will be advertised in church announcements and Glad Tidings. A ditty bag sewing party at the church will be on 9 October from 10 am - 1 pm and a ditty bag 'stuffing party' on 13 November from 10 am- 1 pm. Dave Peterson is gathering information to coordinate our fall food drive, and asking a representative from the Central Kitsap Food Bank or Fishline to speak at our next Outreach Sunday is being considered as a 'kickoff' for the program. There was discussion about starting off the next Outreach year with more big picture planning, and 'out of the box' thinking regarding outreach at St A's.

ENVIRONMENT – Dave Peterson

No report.

COMMUNICATIONS – Chelsea Reeder

No report.

WELCOMING – Emily Nickerson

Welcoming has been working on a pamphlet which will be in the pew backs to introduce St. Antony's to newcomers. It should be in this Sunday? I have worked with Esther Osborne and Loretta McGinley to include Outreach and Faith Formation in giving a newcomer some idea about our church life. Linda has been great in doing the production format and working with us.

FAITH FORMATION – Julie Sherwin & Esther Osborne

No report.

PARISH LIFE - Dave Peterson & Chelsea Reeder

No report.