

Glad Tidings

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Interim Vicar's Voice

Dear Ones,

As I write this, I realize that the stores already have forgotten about Halloween and are on fast forward to Christmas. It seems that we forget how important the month of November is to so many of us.

For the next week and a half, we will be bombarded by political ads and flyers. As we read and listen to them; I remind all of us to remember, regardless of your political views, that each person is our sister or brother, a child of God just like we are. I pray that on the 9th we will drop all the divisiveness and join together to work for the common good in spirit of mutual respect and compassion for others.

The Feast of All Saints, November 1st, but will be celebrated on the 6th this year, is one of the seven Principal Feasts in our Church. The Episcopal Dictionary of the Church ([Glossary of Terms – The Episcopal Church](#)) simply states this about the feast: *Commemorates all saints, known and unknown, on Nov. 1. All Saints' Day is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year, and one of the four days recommended for the administration of baptism. All Saints' Day may also be celebrated on the Sunday following Nov. 1.*

The key for me is the phrase 'known and unknown'. The unknown saints. These are the people about who I often wonder and ponder. As I have become better acquainted with you over these past 13 months, I have come to realize that I have been blessed to say I now know some of the unknown saints. I have come to realize that there are many of you who go about doing the work of the saints in a very quiet and unassuming way and isn't that exactly what we are called to do in the Gospel. I also know that many of you would be embarrassed if I was to name you and so I won't; but know that your work is greatly appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed.

And that brings me to the second day that seems to get rushed over and perhaps loss in our busy world today – Thanksgiving. It is a day for many of us to gather with friends and / or family to join together in a festive meal. But as gather, let us be certain to give thanks for all the blessings in our lives in a special way.

I am so thankful for the opportunity to be your interim vicar. This past year has truly been a blessing for me.

Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on my life. You have provided me with more than I could ever have imagined. You have surrounded me with people who always look out for me. You have given me family and friends who bless me every day with kind words and actions. They lift me up in ways that keep my eyes focused on you and make my spirit soar. I am extremely grateful for all of your blessings in my life, Lord. I pray that you remind me of just how blessed I am and that you never allow me to forget to show my gratitude in prayer and returned acts of kindness.

Written by Kelli Mahoney

With prayers and blessings, *Craig*

***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!***

Time and Talent - Stewardship

Looking around St. Antony's Episcopal Church in Silverdale, WA. it does not take a person long to see and hear about all the volunteerism that the parishioners and clergy do. Once in awhile there may be an urgent need for someone to step up and volunteer to fill the gap in a given situation, and that is all part of our stewardship as a church family at any age.

The following message is not about a plea for more money or more help. It is a message for all of us about what TIME AND TALENT can be from a Christians' viewpoint.

For nearly every opportunity we have to be stewards of our time and talents in giving either in our lives inside the church, or in our home life or out "in the world" the options are clear. Either do the giving, or do not do the giving. Frequently we think about the pro's and con's of that giving to lead us to activate that choice that benefits us or our church the most. We can also do nothing and wait for the next opportunity. Nothing wrong with that. Certainly this is well meaning and from a good heart. But, there is more.

Our time and our talents can be revived by not cutting ourselves off from God's own gift giving to us personally. He can help us find the origin to do good works from Jesus and His Holy Spirit. This in a quiet sentence, opens up new and unexpected vistas for us that only come from God's mercy and grace to his believers.

Much of our own ideas to attach a life of stewardship on an increasing level is to do "things" as "good, better and best" in our efforts to accomplish tasks. But God says for us to approve what is Excellent. Now we are in Christ's territory. This can be a turning point in our lives regarding true stewardship that honors our Heavenly Father.

Be sincere. The New Testament encourages us to replace our personal and self-promoted efforts into a new set of values that awakens and illuminates our deep motive for unselfish giving. The mark of Jesus Christ within us is part of the backbone for Christian giving and sharing freely and joyfully.

This is like adding a new attitude in our hearts and minds. Like a new realm where Christ's gifts are manifold toward His believers, and to whomever He chooses. Let Him do the heart and mind upgrades. We must have faith He will do that, and He says to ask of Him, again and again.

When we ask God to place us under His Divine Influence as we use our time and talents, His Grace and Gifts emanate through in a splendid way. May we be shining in our motives, give simply, and walk in Love. Move humbly with Jesus.

Tovi Andrews, STEWARDSHIP



The Blessing of the Animals

On Sunday, October 9th, we had the Blessing of the Animals. It started with music. After the Litany of the Animals was said, the animals were blessed by Fr. Craig and there were lots of smiles on people's faces. The animals were angels both outside and in the church.



Time and Talent in Action

In the next few weeks one of our parishioners will be displaying her hand made Seasonal Greeting Cards for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Elizabeth Haney will be having these cards for sale out in the Narthex (main entry) after the 10:15 am service starting Sunday, November 13. Liz is an accomplished artist with a unique beauty in her creations, and expresses her Time and Talents for us to appreciate. Additional cards will be available for the Christmas Holidays, as well, during early December.

Stop by her table to view her cards whether you plan to purchase or just look.

Cash or a check will be appreciated for the cards you purchase.

Tovi Andrews, Stewardship



FALL FOOD DRIVE *6-20 November 2022*

Please support our local food banks through contributing food items or making a monetary donation. Donations will be distributed to both the Central Kitsap Food Bank and to North Kitsap Fishline. The last day of the food drive will be Ingathering Sunday on 20 November. Donations can be made either:

1. Online, the same way you make electronic payments. Please be sure to designate the donation is for the Fall Food Drive, and/or....
2. Place a monetary donation in the collection basket, designating it is for the Fall Food Drive, and/or....
3. Put non-perishable food items in the large plastic bins in the narthex, labeled 'Fall Food Drive'.

Many thanks
for supporting
our Kitsap
neighbors in
need!

Loretta
McGinley
Outreach
Commissioner



*Love * Sex * Loss: Can Faith Help?*

Join young adults (20s & 30s) from across the Diocese for a rich, guided conversation about the complicated ways relationships and faith intersect.

Love * Sex * Loss: Can Faith Help? is a 2-part series for people in their 20s & 30s to explore questions about our most intimate love relationships in the context of faith.

With guidance from Episcopal priest and marriage and family therapist, the Rev. Danae M. Ashley, we'll discuss the ways that faith can be a source of wisdom, inspiration, and consolation, as we navigate these relational waters. All perspectives and gender identities are welcomed and supported.

We'll meet on two consecutive Tuesdays: November 1 & 8 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. via Zoom. For more information and to register for free, go to:

<https://love-sex-loss.eventbrite.com>

Hosted by the Diocese of Olympia.



Getting to Know you: Chelsea Reeder



A panorama of Chelsea Reeder's life would include a variety of scenes: birth in Panama, living in nine different homes in the US before she was twelve, St. Antony's church, high school at Klawaya (including basketball, golf and lacrosse as well as a five-country group tour to Europe), part-time work and studies at the University of Central Washington and Olympic College - followed now by gainful employment that enriches children's lives. But chief among these background scenes would be a focus on her two major interests: kids and horses. Chelsea says it simply: She "loves kids" and she "can't imagine life without horses."

She started baby-sitting in elementary school, continued through high school, and, post high school, worked as a nanny. One summer she combined her two loves at Miracle Ranch where she also volunteered in her first experience of horse vaulting. Coming from a family that has owned horses since her childhood, Chelsea can relate fascinating information about their characteristics, ways of communicating with them, and the subtleties of relationships between humans and horses (horses are prey animals; humans are predators). Recently, however, she went through the painful experience of losing her horse of many years to illness. He was a beautiful Gypsy Vanner. In time, she hopes to replace him; her dream is also someday to breed horses.

In the meantime, she indulges her love of children through her work with Youthnet, a non-profit whose primary focus is meeting the needs of underserved and at-risk children and youth ages three to eighteen, primarily those in foster care. Her job requires continuous training, both formal and informal, and regular certification renewal. It also requires extensive travel as clients can be from various counties with towns as far apart as Mt. Vernon and Aberdeen, or Silverdale and Vancouver.

But another focus of Chelsea's life is St. Antony's, which she began attending with her family in 2005. As a youth, she loved acolyting and in grades 10, 11, and 12, she was the Youth Representative to Bishop's Committee. As an adult she continues serving and was on the BC as Communications Chair for three years while also working with Parish Life. She inaugurated the first "Trunk or Treat" event last year and is looking forward to another equally popular one this year.

Though horses in general may be Chelsea's primary animals of affection, her little spaniel, Chloe, provides her her emotional support. The smallest of a litter, she was ten weeks old when Chelsea got her. She trained her herself and got certification for her. Now almost seven years old, she is her constant companion - and a regular church-goer, too.

When not involved in work, church, or horses, Chelsea has a bagful of other interests. She sews and embroiders as a hobby, hikes, geocaches, binge watches shows, and listens to music. She and her family love to go to Jazz Alley in Seattle, and, every year, she and her dad go on a special opera date.

On top of all this, Chelsea owns her own business: Made with Love by Chelsea. If you need a basket of goodies to recognize any occasion - birthday, baby shower, Mother's Day, congratulations, get well, or whatever - just give Chelsea a call. The title of her business tells all.

Sylvia Campbell





Communications

by: Dolores (Dee) Perreira

How many of you have November as one of your favorite months?

Did I hear you say "me"? Well, I have to admit it is for me, not only because it is the month I was born in but one of my favorite times of year. It is the beginning of fall festivities and a time to celebrate mother nature's beautiful fall colors, good company, light or over eating delicious meals and having a good drink, but most of all a time of "Thanksgiving".

During this time we celebrate with families, friends or there are others who prefer the quiet times to be by themselves and that's okay too, but around this season we also give thanks and say what we are thankful for.

There are many things I am thankful for but I would like to share this one. I am thankful for St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal church, for the scripture given by Fr. Craig Vocelka, Deacon Bill Thaete and our Eucharistic ministers, being surrounded with wonderful and talented people and beautiful location, but most of all a place where I am connected to God.

For this submission on Communication, I wanted to do something different so at this time instead of reminding anyone for pictures as I am still working on our website, social media, etc.

I would like you to take a moment and ask yourself these questions, you can share it with me or anyone, but mainly to see what you would come up with:

What are you thankful for?

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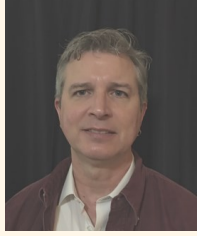
How would God want you to give and receive thanks?

Not too many questions right, but I hope that what ever you came up with will help guide you to know that there are many reasons to be thankful for and that **GOD loves YOU!**

Enjoy your November month, Thanksgiving celebration and may GOD bless you, your families, and even your fur kid (s) that is if you have one, but if not then to those around you.

Gobble! Gobble!

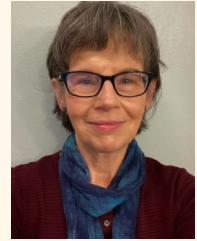
Meet your Bishop's Committee



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Dee Perreira
Clerk of the BC
Communications



John Stockwell
New Facilities

Whenever you have a need or concern, please
talk to one of them. They're here to help.

Charles Mission News

Lobule

Lobule (phonetically: low-boo-lay) is a small community in the valley running in front of a string of hills approximately 7 to 10 kilometers east of Koboko municipality, in the district of the same name. It is home to the second of two prisons in Koboko district. Because Uganda does not allow pictures of government structures I thought I would offer a picture of the hill on the other side of the road from Lobule prison. Here these hills are thought of as mountains. It gives me an understanding why mount Tabor is referred to as a mountain in the Bible. It is big when compared to anything within sight; however, it is small from the perspective of someone who grew up in the Pacific Northwest between the Olympic and Cascade mountain ranges. Here the mountains rise 200 to 300 meters above the surrounding landscape (600-900 feet). In the Pacific Northwest the surrounding land starts at sea-level (0 feet) and the passes/gaps between the mountains, are above 3,000 feet and the mountains go still higher.



The countryside around Lobule. The rock on top of the hill looks down on the prison (behind the trees).

The prison in Lobule is a small, minimum security facility. The prison ministry team has known about it for years. However, it was considered best to wait until we could re-enter Gbukutu prison (the prison in Koboko municipality) before asking for a referral and permission to contact the administration of Lobule prison. In my last newsletter I announced we are allowed to resume sharing the gospel at Gbukutu prison. Now I have asked, and received permission to contact the officer in charge of Lobule prison. The officer in charge of Lobule prison was happy, and invited the prison ministry to begin serving that prison too.

The officer in charge of Lobule prison told me they are often overlooked. As a result they have very little there. The prison ministry has responded by providing an English Bible for the Lobule prison library. They requested and we have now provided two more English Bibles. This was significant to me because many people (here in Uganda) cannot read. Also the prison population is in the single digits. As a result, this represents a high percentage of the prison population being interested in reading the Bible. We are also providing a copy of our notes for each week's sharing (after we have shared) in response to their request for study material.

Our first visit to the prisoners in Lobule was translated (by a prisoner) into a local language. I thought he was translating into Kakwa. Now I know that he translated into a related language, Lugbara. Our second and now our third visits were not translated. The prisoners tell us they all understood English. We have a long standing request from the officer in charge and the prisoners at Gbukutu for Kakwa Bibles and Lugbara Bibles. Until this week, Kakwa Bibles were not available, sold out. Now a new supply has arrived in country. I had planned to buy two for each prison, but only Gbukutu has that need. I am also looking into Lugbara Bibles; however, again only Gbukutu prison has expressed a need.

God has done a lot with the prison ministry. Twelve weeks ago we were still praying for an opportunity. Now we have two!

Thanksgivings: 1. We have been given permission to begin sharing the gospel at Lobule men's prison. 2. We continue to be allowed to share the gospel with the women and men at Gbukutu. Prayer Requests: 1. I need to look for new transport options for the prison ministry. Please join me in praying about what this will look like and how to fund it.

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November Birthdays

4	Jesse Sherwin
5	Dolores "Dee" Perreiera
19	Heather George
20	Thomas Kuhns
24	Donna Hilton
26	Melanie Reeder
	Steve Fabry
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 22nd** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.

Financial Report September			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$13,655.52	\$128,257.87	Local Checking	\$30,812.54
Operating Expenses	\$17,155.55	\$158,934.79	Local Savings	\$17,238.32
Net in September	(\$3,500.03)	(\$30,676.92)	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$206,578.24
			Total	\$254,629.10

November 2022 Schedule

JOBS	November 6 22nd Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 27	November 13 23rd Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 28	November 20 Christ the King Sunday	November 23 Thanksgiving Day	November 27 First Sunday of Advent
EM 8 am	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum		Ruth Lindstrum
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Norma Tipton	Donna Hilton	Dee Perreira		Donna Hilton
GREETER 8 am					
7 pm					
EM 10:15 am	Peter Stockwell	Cris McCarty	Sarah Rogers	Esther Osborne	Peter Stockwell
LC/OT 10:15 am	Elizabeth Flagg	Jim Foley	Michael Wentworth	Ruth Lindstrum	Sarah Rogers
LC/NT 10:15 am	Stu Smith	Cris McCarty	Laurel Rogers	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Flagg
ACOLYTES 10:15 am					
GREETER 10:15 am					
USHER 10:15 am	Chris Crowson	Carole Nau	Mark Westin	Linda Robuck	Dave Peterson
COUNTERS		Pam Morton Norma Tipton			Marj Zantek David Wedeven
COFFEE HOUR	Julie Sherwin	Reeder Family	Sarah Rogers		Amy & Christina Wentworth
Eucharistic Visitors					
BPod	Dave Peterson	Emily Nickerson	Dave Peterson		Loretta McGinley
1st LESSON	Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18	Isaiah 65:17-25	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Isaiah 2:1-5
PSALM	Psalms 149	Canticle 9	Canticle 16	Psalms 100	Psalms 122
2nd LESSON	Ephesians 1:11-23	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Colossians 1:11-20	Philippians 4:4-9	Romans 13:11-14
GOSPEL	Luke 6:20-31	Luke 21:5-19	Luke 23:33-43	John 6:25-35	Matthew 24:36-44

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	Dave & Jan Peterson	Cris McCarty
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Foley A	Dave & Carolyn Sorrell	Christina M.
Elizabeth Moorhead	Elizabeth Moorhead	Pam Morton	Maggie Scott B	Mark Westin	Chelsea R.
Dee Perreira	Bill Reeder	John & Jane Teller	Norma Tipton B		Laurel R.
John Teller	John Teller		David Wedeven B	Barb Hart - Substitute	Mackenzie W.
Norma Tipton			Heidi Feenstra-Wilson A		
			David Wilkinson A		
10 am	10 am	10 am	Marj Zantek A	Peter Stockwell	
Elizabeth Flagg	Cris McCarty	Suzanne Brock		Carol Nau	
Jim Foley	Esther Osborne	Elizabeth Flagg	A - computer	Linda Robuck	
Cris McCarty	Sarah Rogers	Liz Haney	B - non computer		
Laurel Rogers	Peter Stockwell	Carole Nau			
Sarah Rogers					
Maggie Scott					
Stu Smith		Malcolm & Sylvia Campbell			
Michael Wentworth					

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Noon Scripture Sharing	2 10:30 am Contemplative Group Noon Holy Eucharist 12:30 pm Sack Lunch 1:00 pm Discussion	3	4 Music Group 9-noon	5 9 am - 3 pm Young Musicians Festival Turn clocks back one hour
6 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	7	8 Noon Scripture Sharing	9 Noon Holy Eucharist 12:30 pm Sack Lunch 1:00 pm Discussion	10 Noon BC Reports due	11 Veteran's Day Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	12
13 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:45 am BC Meeting	14 9 am P.E.O. Ladies	15 11:00 am Witty Knitters Noon Scripture Sharing	16 10:30 am Contemplative Group Noon Holy Eucharist 12:30 pm Sack Lunch 1:00 pm Discussion	17	18 Music Group 9-noon	19
20 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	21	22 10 am Newsletter Deadline Noon Scripture Sharing	23 Noon Holy Eucharist 12:30 pm Sack Lunch 1:00 pm Discussion 7 pm Thanksgiving Liturgy	24 Thanksgiving Day 	25 Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	26
27 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 1-4 Project Linus Gathering Room	28	29 Noon Scripture Sharing	30 Noon Holy Eucharist 12:30 pm Sack Lunch 1:00 pm Discussion			

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