

Glad Tidings

July 2023



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Deacon's Voice

My Sister and Brothers at St. Antony,

It's all about Love; God's love for us, our love of God and our mutual love for one another. June was "Pride Month", an opportunity for us to share and show God's Love of all people to the world. From July on throughout the rest of the year we have the opportunity to open our church to the world. Just like the England Dan and John Ford Coley Song says;

"Name your price, A ticket to paradise, I can't stay here anymore, And I've looked high and low, I've been from shore to shore to shore. If there's a shortcut, I'd have found it, But there's no easy way around it

Light of the world, shine on me, Love is the answer., Shine on us all, set us free, Love is the answer"

We can be that Light of the world by letting it shine forth on us. Love is the answer. Jesus never told us to hate anyone, He instruction to us was to love one another has He loves us. How are we at St. Antony following this instruction. This is a question that each of us has to answer for ourselves. June, Pride Month, is the start of the opportunity for self-examination and to continue throughout the year.

We hear this in 1 John: *"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us.*

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So, we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us
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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.
Gather, Grow, and Go!**

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in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate a brother or sister are liars, for those who do not love a brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: "those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also." Let us each take this to hearts and look at how we can reach out with love to the world.

Yours in Christ.

Rev. Bill Thaete, Deacon

Notes from the Bishop's Warden

Blessings to All, as we glide into our wonderful Northwest days of summer. In spite of a June break in Glad Tidings, church life at St. A's has not skipped a beat as we've continued to worship, pray, play, learn and care for one another.

Since Father Craig's departure in May, we've enjoyed sermons by Rev. Jan Heller, Rev. Canon Alissa Newton, Rev. Jim Friedrich and our very own Shane Carlson, newly ordained on 21 June. The rapt attention of the congregation during Sunday sermons reflects our openness to new perspectives as we've heard different presiders reflect on God's word in our lives.

We recently celebrated Pentecost Sunday. As I've aged and hopefully become wiser, I've developed a deeper appreciation of Pentecost. Simply put, the Holy Spirit is as near to me as my own breath - when I allow myself to open to God's loving presence, God breathes through me, centers me, and allows me to be loving presence to myself and others.

And I see this happening all the time at St. Antony's. In the way folks come forward to support each other, to celebrate life and to lend a helping hand. Thanks to those who helped with the Youth Spaghetti night, the Father's Day Root Beer Float event, to all who tend our church building and grounds, for the hours of hard work constructing our new playground, to those who help make our worship services and music happen, to our prayer and study groups, to those reaching out to others, and to Linda who helps in so many small and big ways.

During the long, new vicar search, we've continued to be loving presence to each other - we've been 'church' at its essence through our care and actions. The Selection Committee continues its diligent efforts, and the Bishop's Committee is readying for its role once a final candidate is selected. It will be wonderful welcoming a new vicar. In the meantime, we will continue to be the caring community that we are.

God's Peace,

Loretta

Musings from the People's Warden

As spring moves into summer the pace of life seems to slow, perhaps to give us the opportunity to appreciate Gods renewal of life in the birds and blooms that give such joy to being outdoors.

Our pastoral care committee has met this month to discuss support our members might need and how to include more members to widen the circle. Look for a sign up poster in the Gathering room to share what your role might be in this gift to our church. Can you make a meal, help with a ride, pen a note, give a call to chat? These are examples of how you can help in small ways to be active in keep your family of St. Antony's healthy and happy. Thank you to all who have welcomed our visiting celebrants as they share their sermons and time with us, I know I have enjoyed the diversity. I'm also looking forward to the opportunity to have our own Shane Carlson preach for us.

Thank you also to the incredible search committee for their tireless efforts to choose the next vicar for our family. The grounds and building look beautiful and I know that you are all to thank for answering the call to help maintain our church home.

Warm Blessings
Holly Foley

Thank You!



A great big thank you to John Stockwell, Mark Westin, Bill Fagan, Benny Wright and Dave Peterson for working so hard to get the play structure done!

A big thank you to all who made donations to make this possible!

Youth Faith Formation

The faith formation for the youth is continuing to grow and improve. Kristen has continued to help Godly play blossom post Covid. Sundays with godly play are packed with children excited to learn.

Under Marj's wonderful leadership the adolescent and teen groups are meeting, planning, and continuing their spiritual growth. The youth orchestrated two events in June, the spaghetti dinner and Father's Day root beer floats. The youth are still in the planning stage for a church activity and youth activity for the summer.

Julie Sherwin, Faith Formation, Youth

Communications Corner

By: Dolores (Dee) Perreira

Summer has arrived and it is times like this when it is a sunny day to take advantage of getting outside to feel the warmth of the sunshine on your face, breathe the fresh air, adore the vibrant colors and the smell of the flowers or seeing tall and bold trees or plants. Even though we may have showers here and there and the air is chilly or cool, take advantage of that as well for we never know what the lord and mother nature has stored for us right? So enjoy it, live it and love it!!

As we are in the month of July, let us take a moment to reflect on a few things that has happened at St. Antony's for memories take part of our lives and it is good to reminisce on them from time to time. Also, a reminder that our Annual Picnic is coming up so please join us in continuing to make more memories, laugh, sing or just enjoy the food, outdoors and company. Listed below are a few events and ongoing gatherings.

Events:

January—Light in the Darkness Fundraiser for Ukraine

February—Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper

April— Palm Sunday Potluck Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt

May—Mother's Day celebration , Father Craig Vocelka's last day, and a music concert.

June—Father's Day celebration and Youth Spaghetti Dinner

Ongoing gatherings are:

Contemplative Group, Witty Knitters, and the Sunday Bible Study will start up again in the Fall.

In closing of July's edition I would like to ask if anyone would like to share other stories at St. Antony or have pictures I am still collecting them and lastly, I am working on getting a logo created for St. Antony on future purchases like T-shirts, Polo's, Jackets, etc., more information to follow.

Any questions please see me as I attend the 8am service or you may reach me at (360-286-2598 telephone) or email at doloresperreira@yahoo.com.

Enjoy your summer and God Bless!



"I give thanks for
the light of the sun
which provides
life..."

Italian Dinner put on by the Youth Group

Here are some photos of this fun and successful event.



And some more pictures courtesy of Loretta McGinley and Kristen Fabry.



If you did not get a chance to come and partake of the good food and fun, please consider coming next year. This will be a yearly event.

Linda Robuck

Outreach Commission Update

What has been the focus of the Outreach Commission this year? **Reevaluating** and **reconsidering** the mission of the Outreach Commission using the following approach:

- First, we reaffirmed the mission and, more importantly, clarified how Outreach complements the other commissions to enable the St. Antony mission to Gather, Grow, and **GO!!!**
- Next, we interviewed over a dozen parishioners by asking the following questions: What should Outreach **STOP** doing? What should Outreach **START** doing? What should Outreach **CONTINUE** doing?
- With input from steps 1 and 2 above, the commission defined the characteristics of the charities that St. Antony will seek to support. The defined characteristics include charities that are **SMALL, UNDER-RESOURCED, UBER LOCAL**, and provide opportunities for **ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT** from St. Antony parishioners if desired. We've also engaged some charities that embody these characteristics to discuss outreach opportunities for St. Antony.
- Finally, we're now building a strategy that outlines the roadmap for how the commission plans to transform Outreach from a "check writing" commission to a commission that **fuels the GO** in the St. Antony mission to Gather, Grow, and Go!!!

More to follow as the commission continues to build and execute this new strategy. If you have a passion for how the Outreach commission supports the St. Antony mission and you want to contribute to the creation and execution of this strategy, then please contact me via email (tcvanas@gmail.com) or mobile phone (401-808-0825) as I'd love to talk. Or if you see me hanging around church (I'm the guy with a name tag that says Tim van As Outreach Commission) then tap me on the shoulder and let me know your thoughts.

With thanks and blessings, Tim van As, Outreach Commissioner

Seeking Eucharistic Ministers

This is an ultimate way to serve God in His church. We are in need of you. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please come see Deacon Bill or Linda Robuck. We are in desperate need of people for both services. Thank you for your consideration.

Linda Robuck, Secretary

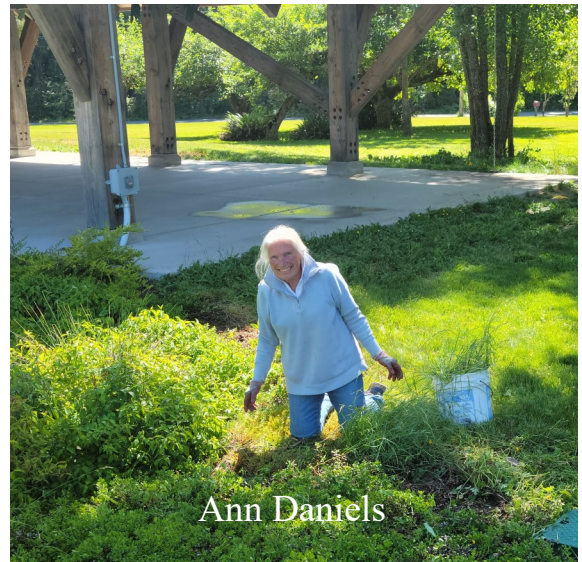
A Big Thank You

A big thank you to those who showed up to help with the last Grounds Clean Up Party. We got a lot done that day.

Benny Wright



Malcolm Campbell



Ann Daniels



Lori Fagan



Dee Perreira

Congratulations, Shane!



Shane receiving the Bible from Bishop Melissa.



A group of St. Antony Shane's Supporters



Jana, Elizabeth, Chuck and Shane

Meet your Bishop's Committee



Loretta McGinley
Bishop's Warden
Stewardship



Holly Foley
People's Warden
Pastoral Care
Welcoming



Julie Sherwin
Faith Formation, Youth



Esther Osborne
Faith Formation, Adult



Tim Van As
Outreach



Dee Perreira
Clerk of the BC
Communications



Tyler Reynolds
Youth Representative



Benny Wright
Environment

Please contact one of these persons if you have questions or concerns or ideas within their commission.

Charles Mission News

Faith

The Prison Ministry team continues to move forward in faith. We had faith that we would be able to resume prison ministry when the 2020 lock-down prevented us from entering the prison. We continued to meet and to prepare materials. God rewarded that faith by growing the team. In January 2022, President Museveni announced the end of coronavirus restrictions. However, the prison remained closed to the ministry. We continued to prepare.

We returned to the prison for ministry in August 2022. We resumed ministry in faith that God would use us to deliver his message, and that his message would be received. Attendance by the prisoners reached numbers previously unimagined by me, 32% of the prison population. A friend who, years ago, spent four days in prison told me how important it is to the prisoners that a ministry team visits them faithfully. We endeavor to do that.



Prison ministry team preparing Bible study material for sharing in the prison.

A month later we received permission to talk to the officer in charge of Koboko's other prison. He invited us to begin ministry at Lobule prison. At the same time we were directed to contact Uganda Prison Headquarters and seek a letter recognizing the ministry.

We were suddenly turned away from Gbukutu prison. We were told it was Ebola. We asked the officer in charge of Lobule prison, and he said no Ebola concerns in our part of the country, please continue to come. Later we learned it was persecution at Gbukutu because we are not all one denomination, specifically the denomination that was being favored. We continued to pray about it and have faith. God opened a way to receive a letter from Uganda Prison Headquarters officially recognizing Truth is Light Prison Ministry. God further used this to overcome the persecution to his ministry through us. I mentioned requesting this letter in the last news-letter. I mention it again because it is part of a bigger story, growing the team's faith and the inmates' faith that we will come when allowed, and we remember them in prayer, too.

The prison ministry team has begun to recognize the growth God has blessed us with, and the bounty of the harvest, even in the prison. Prisoners have requested permission to join us when they are released. The officer in charge of the prison said it is okay, and if they ask when they are eligible for release, he will provide them with our contact information. We have faith that they will be hungry for God, not just seeing us. Two were released just before Easter and they did visit a team meeting before returning to their homes. Unfortunately, their homes are too far away for them to participate regularly.

This is just the most recent fruit of the ministry. We continue to pray for provision. God has put it in our hearts to reach more prisons. This means I need to raise money for a vehicle. A Land Cruiser is sturdy and will survive the Ugandan roads so we can reach the prisons safely. The team is praying that people, perhaps someone you know, will contribute towards this.

Together this ministry is moving forward - in faith.

Thanksgivings: 1. The prison ministry is back in Gbukutu prison (again). 2. For safe travel to the US and back to Uganda. 3. For you. **Prayer Requests:** Please join me in praying about transport options and how to finance it.

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July Birthdays

1	Carrie Rivers
2	Vivian Durfee
6	Ellery van As
7	Jacque Walker
8	Penny Whitney
9	Donna Smith
10	David Sorrell
14	Jim Foley
	Cris McCarty
15	Jean Miller
17	Samuel Stockton
20	Chad Reeder
22	Nancy Ladenberger
26	Janet Steller
27	Julia Johnson
28	Charles Moorhead



July Anniversaries

4	Jim & Holly Foley
7	Jackie Vincent & Heather Carnocki
27	Rev. Dick & Maggie Scott
31	David Wilkinson & Declan Jarry

Deadline for the August Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, July 25th** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.

Financial Report May			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$18,372.45	\$105,268.35	Local Checking	\$38,066.98
Operating Expenses	\$20,917.13	\$92,292.96	Local Savings	\$17,244.06
Net in May	(\$2,544.68)	\$12,975.39	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$212,348.03
			Total	\$267,349.07

July 2023 Schedule					
JOB	July 2 5th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 8	July 9 6th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 9	July 16 7th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 10	July 23 8th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 11	July 30 9th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 12
EM 8 am	Donna Hilton	Ruth Lindstrum	Elizabeth Moorhead	Donna Hlilton	Elizabeth Moohead
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Elizabeth Moorhead	Dee Perreira	Norma Tipton	Dee Perreira	Ruth Lindstum
GREETER 8 am					
EM 10:15 am	Esther Osborne	Peter Stockwell	Cris McCarty	Sarah Rogers	Peter Stockwell
LC/OT 10:15 am	Michael Wentworth	Maggie Scott	Stu Smith	Laurel Rogers	Marj Zantek
LC/NT 10:15 am	Michael Wentworth	Jim Foley	Marj Zantek	Michael Wentworth	Stu Smith
ACOLYTES 10:15 am					
GREETER 10:15 am					
USHER 10:15 am	Dave Peterson	Chris Crowson	Linda Robuck	Carole Nau	Mark Westin
COUNTERS	Marj Zantek Norma Tipton	Jim Foley Ann Daniels	Marj Zantek Dave Wedeven	Jim Foley Maggie Scott	Ann Daniels Marj Zantek
COFFEE HOUR	Wentworth Family	Holly & Jim Foley	Sylvia & Malcolm Campbell	Wentworth Family	Sarah Rogers
BPod	Esther Osborne	Loretta McGinley	Dee Perreira	Holly Foley	Tim van As
1st LESSON	Genesis 22:1-14	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67	Genesis 25:19-34	Genesis 28:10-19a	Genesis 29:15-28
PSALM	Psalm 13	Psalm 45: 11-18	Psalm 119:105-112	Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23	Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or Psalm 128
2nd LESSON	Romans 6:12-23	Romans 7:15-25a	Romans 8:1-11	Romans 8:12-25	Romans 8:26-39
GOSPEL	Matthew 10:40-42	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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

July 2023

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						1 9 am Grounds Cleaning
2 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	3	4	5 Noon Contemplative Group	6 Noon BC Reports due	7 Music Group 9-noon	8
9 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 BC Meeting	10	11	12	13	14 Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Noon - 2 pm	15
16 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	17	18 11:00 am Witty Knitters	19 Noon Contemplative Group	20 -	21 Music Group 9-noon	22
23 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	24	25 10 am Newsletter Deadline	26	27	28 Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Noon - 2 pm	29
30 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Bible Study 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Project Linus 1 - 4 pm	31					

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