

Glad Tidings

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The Rev. Hillary Kimsey, Vicar



Vicar's Voice

I love stories. Ever since I was a little girl, books and great storytellers and epic films captivated me. I'd stay up late with a flashlight under my covers and read the next adventure of Nancy Drew, the next ghost story from R.L. Stine, or the next adventure of The Animorphs. Stories took me away for a while, took me on a journey to somewhere new and allowed me to learn and explore new worlds.

In what might have been a sign of what was to come in my life, I also read my children's picture Bible cover to cover as a little girl. The stories of God captivated me too. Throughout the scriptures, many writers from many periods and several ancient cultures tell us their story of God's work in their life. Sometimes the stories are grim; other times they are funny; other times they take our breath away with wonder.

My love for stories and poetry made the transition from high school English teacher to seminary student to preacher smoother than you might expect. The Scriptures became the text I explored, and God's story became the one I wanted to listen to most of all.

Now, as we begin our shared ministry together, I want to hear your stories. I want to hear who you are, the stories of your lives and families, hopes and dreams. I want to tell you more and more of my story, and together, I want us to listen closely to the story God is telling through St. Antony of Egypt in Silverdale, WA. Where will this story take us next? What part will we play in the Silverdale neighborhood?

And perhaps most important, what story will we tell together about God's love, and how will we share it with the world?

I can't wait to find out.

With faith, hope, and love,
Mother Hillary+

*The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming community
who worships God, grows in Christ, and serves others.
Gather, Grow, and Go!*

Notes from the Bishop's Warden

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.
And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever. (BCP, Burial of the Dead Rite 2)

We are heading into the darkness of late autumn, and once again take the time to pause and remember those who have passed before us. As I've grown older, suffered losses and grown in awareness of my own mortality, I've developed a deep appreciation for carving time to remember loved ones and to turn inward to contemplate connection to eternal Divine Presence.

Here at St. Antony's we will have an opportunity to do this. On Sunday, 5 November at 9 am we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints Day in one combined service to commemorate our departed loved ones. You may write the names of your dearly departed on a list in the narthex, and are invited to prayerfully consider ways to meaningfully honor and remember them.

We are entering our second month with Mother Hillary, and I sense a buzz of energy and activity at St. A's. Many thanks to all who helped with the Welcome Banquet, are hosting small group gatherings and to those who in small and big ways are helping our new Vicar feel welcome. Mother Hillary is actively connecting with churches and services in our community, and we've been invited to attend the Community Thanksgiving Eve Service at Silverdale Lutheran Church on 22 November at 7 pm.

Please save the date for our Annual Meeting, which will be after one combined service at 9 am on 21 January, 2024. Four Bishop's Committee members will be stepping down at that time, and we need your help! We are in a time of exciting change, and many hearts, hands and minds are needed to support St. Antony's in the work we're called to do. You're invited to prayerfully consider joining the energy and 'buzz' at Saint A's as a BC member, as we live into the next chapter of our church lives. Please contact me if interested.

Blessings to All,
Loretta

Thoughts on Stewardship *by Bill Reeder*

Last month, I shared my thoughts on what stewardship means to me. Caring was part of what I discussed. I had no idea at the time that I would be so moved by the spirit of caring that filled the church during the potluck celebration we shared together to welcome Mother Hillary. As we shared our dishes and enjoyed an evening of fellowship, I was moved by the emotion I felt in myself and saw in others throughout the room. We truly care for one another and spread that care into our Kitsap community.

My family has held Saint Antony's as its spiritual home for over 18 years now. Most of you have heard me share how much you all have meant to the Reeder's during that time. You've seen our children grow up among you; Chad becoming a man while Chelsea gained confidence and poise as Melanie and I matured (hopefully not unlike fine wines). And Melanie's parents found such love here in their later years.

At the potluck, I was taken by the feeling of love and sense of caring coupled with those 18 years of memories. I realized that's what stewardship is to me – love and caring. It is what we mean to each other, what we are in communion together at Saint Antony's, and how we spread that love and care into our surrounding communities.

As the seasons now change and the holidays come near, I hope you will give thanks for the blessings God has bestowed and reflect on what stewardship and Saint Antony's mean to you.

Musings from the Peoples Warden

With the days getting so short, I'm finding myself thinking about curling up with a book by the fire and maybe avoiding being as busy as this past summer has found me. We are so blessed to have Mother Kimsey join us three weeks ago, and with all the welcoming activities has also come a welcome partner and leader to lift the load.

Please consider joining the BC this January, it has been a blessing for me this past year to have a hand in helping make decisions, connecting with members more deeply and watching the congregation work together.

If you have Pastoral care concerns please join the team that meets next on November 14 at 1:30 at the church. If you have pressing concerns contact myself or any member of the team.

One thing that I was privileged to do last month was get together with Sarah Rogers to prepare the communion bread for the church. It was full of laughter and lessons, flour and yeast, and a touch of honey. Just as our lives working together should be.

Blessings on you all and thank you for your support,
Holly Foley
People's Warden

October 29th-
November 19th

Central Kitsap
Food Bank

FOOD DRIVE

You can HELP

***Most Needed For the
Holiday Season:***

Chicken Broth, Gravy,
Jell-O/Pudding,
Stuffing, Cranberry
Sauce.

Most Needed Throughout the Year:

Canned veggies/fruits, Cereals,
Crackers, Seasoning Mixes, Instant
Potatoes, Juice, Mac & Cheese, Soup,
Tea, Tomato Products(sauce, stewed,
diced), Chili, Sugar, Peanut Butter.

The St. Antony Youth Group is coordinating a food drive for the Central Kitsap Food Bank from Sunday, 10/29 - Sunday, 11/19. During this period, containers will be made available in the church to collect donations. See attached flyers for information.

In addition, on Friday, November 3rd, the St. Antony Youth Group will be meeting at the Central Kitsap Food Bank at 1:30pm to create meal packages for the holidays. We currently have 7 of 10 slots filled to support this outreach activity, but still need 3 additional volunteers. If you're interested in participating and supporting the Youth Group by filling the remaining 3 spots, then please reach out to Tim van As (401-808-0825, tcvanas@gmail.com) and/or Avery van As (808-492-6500, avanas2020@gmail.com) for details.

Tim van As, Outreach Commissioner



Communications Corner By: Dolores (Dee) Perreira



Fall is a time for families to gather to see beautiful fall foliage, enjoy flavored drinks and delicious foods or visit with friends too. It is also a time to enjoy some spooky scares or getting sweet treats. It is one of my favorite time of year and not only because it's my birthday month but because it is a month filled with goodness and goodies.

We have a lot to be thankful for as I know I am. I would be happy to share them with you but will keep this simple. I would like to say that I am truly blessed and thankful for such an opportunity to have been on the Bishop's Committee as my term is coming to an end. Yes my fellow parishioners it is that time and I must say that it has been an honor to have been a part of this committee that gave their time, shared ideas and experiences, but most of all building relationships with new and existing members. I will cherish the memories for sure.

At this time, let us reflect on giving thanks and praises. The picture I have chosen is a tree with falling leaves and I have added a few words that I came up with for this season, what words would you add? Enjoy your fall season and thanksgiving celebration and may gratitude help us to see what is there instead of what isn't.

Take care and God bless!

Welcome Banquet for Mother Hillary
October 15, 2023
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RESPONDING TO THE ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR



Since the start of the current Israel-Hamas war, Episcopal Relief & Development has been supporting long-time partners in the Holy Land including Al Ahli Hospital, a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, to provide emergency medical support in Gaza. Despite being hit by two explosions that damaged buildings and claimed hundreds of lives, the hospital is still serving those who are in need of care. Episcopal Relief & Development stands with the brave staff of Al Ahli Hospital as they risk their lives to help others.

Please pray for peace in the Holy Land and consider making a contribution to the Episcopal Relief & Development Middle East Fund to help meet the growing needs of all people in the region. Or if you prefer, please make checks payable to Episcopal Relief & Development. Mail to: PO Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058
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Meet your Bishop's Committee



Loretta McGinley
Bishop's Warden
Stewardship



Holly Foley
People's Warden
Pastoral Care
Welcoming



Julie Sherwin
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Esther Osborne
Faith Formation, Adult



Tim Van As
Outreach



Dee Perreira
Clerk of the BC
Communications



Benny Wright
Environment

No photo
yet.

Melanie Reeder
Welcoming

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

Charles Mission News

Graduation

The Charismatic Church hosted the computer skills graduation again this year. Since I do not have a host in Birjaku yet, Bishop Moses agreed that I should bring the Birijaku class to Mugujai for graduation. It was the largest graduation class outside of the classes I conducted in Entebbe for Hope for Restoration Initiative in 2021.

Three government officials of Mugujai (LC1, LC2, LC3, all elected officials) were present for graduation. This time a government official for Koboko (Specifically the LC2 for a portion of west division) came to Mugujai to see and encourage the graduates from the class in his area. They all have good things to say about the computer skills ministry and want to encourage more in the community to start, and finish, the program.



The 2023 graduates from Mugujai and Birijaku.

Our theme was dream bigger. It was provided by Amanda when she shared the word of God. She explained that God is opening new opportunities. We need to learn the skills when the opportunity is provided and trust him for the opportunity to use them. She took her inspiration from scripture; however, many of these government officials are seeing their job change as the government of Uganda is using computers more. Soon they will need members on their committees that can type and use computer applications, like these graduates.

Kairos Uganda

Continued from the August newsletter.

As promised, Evelyn (the CEO of Karos Prison Ministry International), has passed my contact information to the leader of the new Kairos Uganda national team (Pastor Bernard). He emailed his contact information to me, and I replied with my local phone number. I have tried to call his local phone. Phone contact has not been successful, yet. However, there has been an email exchange between Evelyn, Pastor Bernard, and myself. They are trying to set up area Kairos advisors (comparable to the Kairos state committees in the USA) and invited me to suggest people who could help in the Arua / Koboko area. I have. It may be moving slowly; however, it is moving. All in God's time. Please continue to hold this in prayer.

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Thanksgivings

- I have been granted a 2-month extension to my tourist visa. This will allow the non-government organization (NGO) more time to renew its Uganda permit. Then they can nominate me for another 3-year work permit.
- Communication with the team leader of the new Kairos Uganda national team.

Prayer Requests

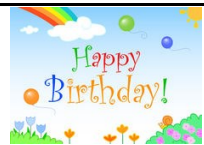
- Renewal of the non-government organization's (NGO's) Uganda permit.
- A 3-year work permit for me.
- Kairos in Uganda (see above).



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November Birthdays

2	Thomas Alessio
4	Jesse Sherwin
5	Dolores 'Dee' Perreira
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

The deadline for the December Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, November 21st** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonsilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.



Ben Jones & Torie Brazatis
Vera & Magnus

(Please contact the office for contact information.
That information will not be on the website.)

Financial Report September			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$15,789.11	\$163,720.64	Local Checking	\$45,182.94
Operating Expenses	\$10,899.33	\$145,429.24	Local Savings	\$17,246.94
Net in September	\$4,889.78	\$18,291.40	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$219,989.71
			Total	\$282,419.59

November 2023 Schedule



JOB	November 5 All Saints Sunday JOINT SERVICE 9:00 am	November 12 24th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 27	November 19 25th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 28	November 26 Christ the King Sunday
EM 8 am		Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Moorhead
LC/OT & NT 8 am		Dee Perreira	Norma Tipton	Donna Hilton
GREETER 8 am				
EM 10:15 am	Sarah Rogers	Cris McCarty	Kristen Fabry	Peter Stockwell
LC/OT 10:15 am	Stu Smith	Marj Zantek	Maggie Scott	Michael Wentworth
LC/NT 10:15 am	Luke R.	Cris McCarty	Jim Foley	Michael Wentworth
ACOLYTES 10:15 am				
CHALICE BEARER 10:15am	Avery van As	Sorren van As	Avery van As	Sorren van As
USHER 10:15 am	Mark Westin	Dave Peterson	Peter Stockwell	Carole Nau
COUNTERS	Marj Zantek Ann Daniels	Ann Daniels David Wedeven	Jim Foley Maggie Scott	Marj Zantek Norma Tipton
COFFEE HOUR	Reeder Family	Sarah Rogers	Carol Wedeven	Carrie Rivers & Jane Stockton
BPod		Esther Osborne	Dee Perreira	Holly Foley
1st LESSON	Revelation 7:9-17	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	Judges 4:1-7	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
PSALM	Psalms 34:1-10, 22	Psalms 78:1-7	Psalms 123	Psalms 100
2nd LESSON	1 John 3:1-3	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ephesians 1:15-23
GOSPEL	Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 25:1-13	Matthew 25:14-30	Matthew 25:31-46

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	Ann Daniels A	Carol Nau	Cris McCarty
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Jim Foley A	Dave & Jan Peterson	Laurel R.
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Pam Morton	Maggie Scott B	Linda Robuck	
Elizabeth Moorhead	Elizabeth Moorhead		Norma Tipton B	Peter Stockwell	
Dee Perreira	Bill Reeder		David Wedeven B	Mark Westin	
Norma Tipton			Marj Zantek A		
10 am	10 am	10 am			
Elizabeth Flagg	Kristen Fabry				
Jim Foley	Cris McCarty	Suzanne Brock			
Cris McCarty	Esther Osborne	Elizabeth Flagg			
Luke R.	Sarah Rogers	Carole Nau			
Sarah Rogers	Peter Stockwell	Malcolm & Sylvia Campbell	A - computer		
Maggie Scott	Marj Zantek		B - non computer		
Stu Smith	Rick Zapp				
Peter Stockwell					
Michael Wentworth					

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Noon Contemplative Group <i>Linda on Vacation</i>	2 12:30 pm Bible Study	3 <i>Music Group</i> <i>9-noon</i>	4 8:30-4:30 pm Kitsap Youth Music Festival <i>Not open to the public</i> 
5 All Saints Day 9 am Holy Eucharist Festive Coffee Hour	6	7	8	9 12:30 pm Bible Study	10 <i>Music Group</i> <i>9-noon</i> <i>Cleaners</i> <i>Morning</i>	11
12 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:45 am Acolyte Training	13	14	15 Noon Contemplative Group 1:30 pm Pastoral Care Meeting	16 Noon BC Reports due 12:30 pm Bible Study	17 <i>Music Group</i> <i>9-noon</i>	18
19 Ingathering Sunday 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 BC Meeting	20	21 10 am Newsletter Deadline 11:00 am Witty Knitters @ Kathy's	22 7 pm Community Thanksgiving Eve Service at Silverdale Lutheran Church	23 Thanksgiving Day 	24 <i>Music Group</i> <i>9-noon</i> <i>Cleaners</i> <i>Morning</i>	25
26 Owen Baptism 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist <i>Project Linus</i> <i>1 - 4 pm</i> <i>Gathering Room</i>	27	28	29	30 12:30 pm Bible Study		

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