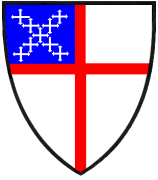


Glad Tidings

June 2024



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Vicar's Voice

Good people of St. Antony's, summer is nearly upon us! We are having longer days with more and more sunshine, and I can't get enough of it! I hope you find time on those sunny days to sit and bask in the warm light, even if just for a few minutes. To me, that always felt like a hug from God.

In the summertime, especially here in the Pacific Northwest, the need for important repairs often arises! Our lovely building here at St. Antony's is no different. We are due for a major repair on our septic system early this August, which will cost upwards of \$15,000 dollars. When you give tithes, offerings, and pledges to St. Antony's, you are helping us maintain the beautiful space God has entrusted us to steward. If you would like to give specifically in support of this project, please simply indicate "septic repair 2024" in the memo line of your check or online donation.

Another exciting opportunity to support with your tithes and offerings comes in The College of Congregational Development (or, CCD)! This year, I am going along with the team of three we sent last year (Marj, Kristen, and Esther) to support them as they complete their work on a welcoming project for St. Antony's! Welcoming and integrating our new members was one of the BC's goals for this year, so we are incredibly excited to see what they create! CCD is a fantastic educational opportunity that we would love to continue sending our folks to so we can support our growing church with their creative projects. If at any time, you would like to designate a gift to support sending members to CCD, please simply indicate "CCD scholarship" in the memo line of your check or online donation.

Finally, we are excited to offer Vacation Bible School in the summer of 2024! Thanks to Chelsea Reeder and Marj Zantek's leadership, planning is already underway. The biggest need for this ministry is volunteers. It takes many people to safely and efficiently run a VBS program, so if you can give of your time to help pull it off (think teaching, making snacks, set up/break down, music, games, registration, etc), we can use you! Thank you to those who have already given financially to support Vacation Bible School-- we are grateful for your generosity.

Stewardship is a year-round effort. And as our former Bishop Greg Rickel taught me, giving generously (of whatever you are able to give, whether it be time or talent or treasure) is truly a spiritual practice. We give just as much to strengthen our own relationship with God as we do to support St. Antony's and its ministries. Every offering you give, no matter its size, is deeply valuable to this place and our people.

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***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!***

Thanks to you, St. Antony's can continue to be a loving community where we gather for prayer and fellowship, grow in faith and discipleship, and go out to serve our community with love.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you!

Mother Hillary+

Notes from the Bishop's Warden

With the recent election of our Bishop Elect Philip LaBelle, and our own blessing of Mother Hillary Kimsey last fall, I believe we are moving in a positive direction in our Episcopal community. Our own church has grown with new members as well as a lot a young hearts. I was amazed at the Pentecostal bright reds that both our services displayed last week and know that we are walking together forward. Mother Hillary was having us renew our baptismal vows during the service last week as the children were marching out to join us, and since we were facing the back of the sanctuary we were able to see the teachers leading a large and diverse group of children that are members in our community! It was WONDERFUL.

June 1 I hope many of you will find your way in the morning to support the BC and committee members who have been doing the work of keeping our building and grounds in welcoming shape. Thank you to all who have been the WHO and HOW helpers in the church.

The Pastoral Care committee has in the works a Ladies social on June 27 in the evening. This is an opportunity for us to gather and support each other. The idea sprung from a need to support many of our caregivers with a chance to just socialize and listen. The ladies who are spearheading this are off to Spain and Portugal this week, so send them prayers for their walk. I am assured they will be planning this over the next few weeks. Loretta, Kathy and Marj, blessings on your adventure.

Coming up with drier weather will be a major repair to our septic system. We did do a temporary fix in the wet weather, but a very expensive and hopefully long term solution is in the plans. Just be aware that digging will be happening later this summer.

VBS is back this summer! If you are willing and able, speak to Chelsea and Marj about how you can be involved. It's an important way for us to provide and connect with our communities youth and we will all have fun with this, August 19-23. This is the day after our Annual Picnic, so keep it on your calendars!

Blessings to you all,
Holly Foley
Bishops Warden

Vacation Bible School

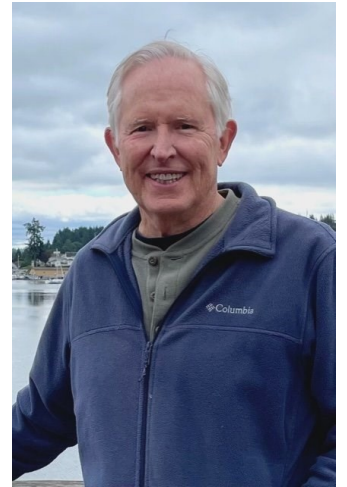
There will be a Vacation Bible School meeting June 11th at 3pm in the Godly Play room at church. Thank you! All interested people please join us.

Chelsea Reeder



Be Still and Know That I am God

St. Antony's Contemplative Prayer group has invited The **Rev. Paul Rietmann** to speak **9 June from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm** following the 10:15 am service for a talk entitled, **'Be Still and Know That I am God'**. The Rev. Paul is a retired Episcopal Priest from the Diocese of Olympia who leads retreats, book discussion groups and meditation sessions, and he's been inspired by eastern meditation practices to teach and guide ways to engage in Christian contemplative prayer. All are invited to attend this talk to gain a better understanding of ways to inwardly quiet ourselves, to be still and open to the presence of God within. Who doesn't need more inner peace in the midst of personal dilemmas and crisis world events? Please join us for this presentation which will explore a brief history of Christian contemplative prayer, and introduce a few, simple prayer practices that will invite us to turn inwards and rest in stillness.



Our **Contemplative Prayer group meets in the St. A's sanctuary the first and third Wednesday of each month from 12:00-1:00 pm**. All are invited to attend a time of quiet gathering, contemplative prayer practice and reflection. ***The ability to sit still with a peaceful mind for a long time is NOT a requirement to attend!!*** Rather, all are invited to engage in a contemplative prayer practice, e.g. Centering Prayer, Lectio Divina, and to bring a gentle and kind attention to one's self and attentive ear to the stirrings of God's presence within. Any form of prayer is a practice - and practice involves a repeated turning towards vs. sole focus on an end goal. The yearning to abide in the peace of God is an example of Divine presence within you. Attending to that yearning and turning inwards through contemplative prayer can open you to the Divine within, and bring a greater sense of inner stillness and presence of God through life's ups and downs. All are invited to attend! Please contact Loretta McGinley or Mother Hillary if you have questions about this group.

Loretta McGinley

PASTORAL CARE

"Pastoral Care offers compassionate support and practical assistance to our church community as it experiences transition, loss, struggle, anxiety, and joy; creating opportunities to deepen spiritually and enrich connections with others."

The commission continues to support congregation members with visits, phone contact, cards, prays and transportation to church. If you or someone you know needs Pastoral Care support, you can contact any of the commission members: Sylvia Campbell, Gail Ferguson, Holly Foley, Kay Kellogg, Loretta McGinley, Maggie Scott, Janet Steller, Peggy Roberts, Marj Zantek, and Kathy Avery.

The Lay Eucharist Ministry is continuing to develop. Mother Hillary has offered training, and 4 members of St. Antony have volunteered. More volunteers would be appreciated, so if you are interested in this Ministry contact Mother Hillary or Kathy Avery.

Kay Kellogg is working with Mother Hillary to reorganize the prayer chain. Watch for updates for this prayer opportunity.

Maggie Scott, Marj Zantek and Kathy Avery attended the May 8th meeting of the First Lutheran Church's care givers meeting in Poulso with thoughts of making this type of group meeting available to St. Antony.

Finally, save the date for a Women's Social. It will be **June 27th at 5:00 pm at St. Antony.** There will be more information about this to come.

Kathy Avery, Pastoral Care Commissioner



1000 Daffodils

Coming soon to St. Antony's

Look for our upcoming "Buck-a-Bulb" daffodil fundraiser! Once we raise the money, we hope to purchase 1000 daffodils.

Next fall, everyone can enjoy our daffodil planting event. By Easter season, St. Antony's should come alive with color! Join us to help with this beautiful transformation

St. Antony's Landscape Committee



Check the Results from the Landscape Survey

Results are in! We learned a lot from our recent Landscape Survey. In all, 41 members submitted information. It took parishioners an average of 15 minutes to complete the few questions that the Landscape Committee presented.

First, almost everyone agrees that we should formulate a plan with guidelines for care, use, and design of the acreage and buildings at St. Antony's. Only 3 people said they weren't sure.

When you ranked items of interest in order of importance to each one of you, they shook out like this:

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| 1. Entry Signs | 5. Memorial Garden |
| 2. Flatten area near picnic shelter | 6. Make the Barn Usable |
| 3. Update flower beds | 7. Labyrinth |
| 4. Perimeter Walking Path | 8. Other |

Furthermore, the greatest number of respondents said that we should preserve the front lawn area for curb appeal, an open sightline to the church, and space for games and events. This includes gatherings such as the "Trunk-or-Treat," Easter Egg Hunts, and games at picnics.

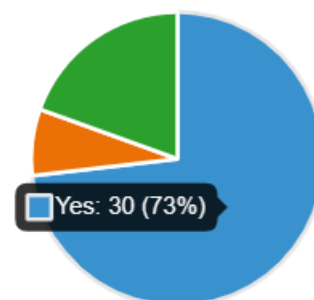
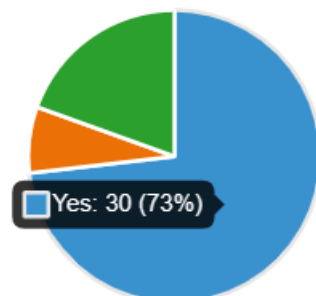
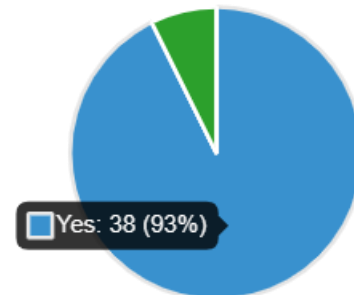
St. Antony's members are "doers" and "givers!" Most respondents said that they would donate time and/or money to the outdoor aspect of our beautiful church. In addition, many offered up special talents as a means to help. This might include special skills and knowledge in plant care and placement, landscape drawings, construction, and more! On this pie chart:

BLUE	Monetary Donations	25 Respondents
GREEN	Time	25 Respondents
RED	Talent	13 Respondents
ORANGE	Materials	9 Respondents
PURPLE	Other	6 Respondents

Opportunities to add your energy, ideas, and elbow grease don't end here! Next we plan to get a concept onto paper, continue to gather ideas, and begin actual work in the fall. This includes designing signs, taking action on the picnic area, and adding bulbs to the flower beds.

Thank you to everyone who helped us with the survey! We will reach out soon for time and talent.

The Landscape Committee Team



Invitation from the Counters!

Greetings, church family!

To ensure that a church runs smoothly, there are many chores to be done, just as there are in any household: meals, cleaning, gardening and bill paying...About the latter: just as we have to keep our home finances current by knowing how much comes in and how much goes out, so too does the church.

St. Antony's has a treasurer, Jim Foley, who oversees the flow of accounts: income and expenses. Our receiving treasurer, Melo Scanlon, assists in this work. They are volunteers, and this is a big job! However, we have a team of volunteers that help them do their important work. These are the Counters!

Two counters are needed each Sunday. These two counters are responsible for tracking the money that is placed in the offering plates. After church, their work is to record the incoming checks and any cash that is in offering envelopes into the Treasurer's accounting system. Each offering is then applied to the giver's account so that they can track their progress on their yearly giving and progress on their pledge.

This work invites you to give of your time and talent in service to the community; therefore, it is a ministry! We need two counters each Sunday, and lately, we have only had enough for two Sundays a month. Why two counters? Firstly, two people are required so that they can work together and vouch for each other. A team can serve the fiscal responsibility of the Church to any and all who entrust it with their money. Secondly, the work goes faster with two people working together! Checking and rechecking is easier and more efficient as a team.

Counting is responsible work, but it's not scary work. No accounting experience is required: it is basic arithmetic, not complex mathematics. We especially need some new counters who are comfortable doing simple data entry on a computer. Ideally, one computer-trained counter would serve on each weekly team of two. This ministry is "sitting in the counting house, counting out the money" while others may be "eating bread and honey!"

So when worship ends, the counters get our coffee hour goodies and then head back to the office to do our work! Counters are needed; we will train you for this simple but incredibly important ministry, and the whole community will be deeply grateful for your service. Thank you!

Maggie Scott

Meet your Bishop's Committee



Holly Foley
Bishop's Warden
Parish Life Co Chair



Tim van As
People's Warden
Outreach



Cris McCarty
Clerk of the BC
Communications



Esther Osborne
Faith Formation, Adult



Marj Zantek
Faith Formation, Youth



Kathy Avery
Pastoral Care



Dave Peterson
Facilities/Environment
Parish Life Co Chair



Melanie Reeder
Welcoming

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



June Birthdays

1	Carolyn Leech
4	Nick Carlisle
5	Carl Baker
7	Loretta McGinley
	Mary Dean
9	Barbara Stedman
10	Steve Miller
12	Dean Wagner
13	Jane Teller
16	Stu Smith
	Luke Rogers
18	Gail Westin
21	Peggy Roberts
	Caroline Hoag
	Ian Zagrocki
28	Daniel Smith



June Anniversaries

1	Charles & Elizabeth Moorhead
11	Steve & Jean Miller
17	Jessie & Julie Sherwin
22	Peter & Sandy Stockwell
27	Al & Sheryl Abel

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



Please welcome to our church family:

Jill Gray

Jason Kimes & Mercedes Loor

Natalie Brown

(Please contact the office for their contact information.)

Financial Report			Account Balances	
April	Year-to-date			
Operating Income	\$16,802.28	\$213,374.93	Local Checking	\$43,687.01
Operating Expenses	\$17,347.99	\$209,761.25	Local Savings	\$17,251.97
Net in April	(\$545.71)	\$3,613.68	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$234,244.24
			Total	\$295,183.22

June 2024 Schedule

JOB	June 2 2nd Sunday after Pentecost	June 9 3rd Sunday after Pentecost	June 16 4th Sunday after Pentecost	June 23 5th Sunday after Pentecost	June 30 6th Sunday after Pentecost
EM 8 am	Donna Hilton	Ruth Lindstrum	Elizabeth Moorhead	Mary Collier	Elizabeth Moorhead
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Cheryl Wright	Norma Tipton	Dee Perreira	Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum
GREETER 8 am					
EM 10:15 am	Sarah Rogers	Cris McCarty	Peter Stockwell	Kristen Fabry	Esther Osborne
LC/OT 10:15 am	Peter Stockwell	Stu Smith	Elizabeth Flagg	Sarah Rogers	Marj Zantek
LC/NT 10:15 am	Jim Foley	Marj Zantek	Esther Osborne	Stu Smith	Maggie Scott
ACOLYTES 10:15 am					
USHER 10:15 am	Peter Stockwell	Mark Westin	Dave Peterson	Tim Van As	Carole Nau
COUNTERS	Maj Zantek Dave Wedeven		Jim Foley Norma Tipton		Marj Zantek Maggie Scott
COFFEE HOUR					
BPod	Holly Foley	Kathy Avery	Cris McCarty	Tim van As	Esther Osborne
1st LESSON	1 Samuel 3:1-10(11-20)	1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15)	1 Samuel 15:34-16:13	1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49	2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
PSALM	Psalms 139:1-5,12-17	Psalms 138	Psalms 20	Psalms 9:9-20	Psalms 130
2nd LESSON	2 Corinthians 4:5-12	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, [11-13],14-17	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	2 Corinthians 8:7-15
GOSPEL	Mark 2:23-3:6	Mark 3:20-35	Mark 4:26-34	Mark 4:35-41	Mark 5:21-43

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	Jim Foley A	Carol Nau	Chelsea
Donna Hilton	Mary Collier	Donna Hilton	Maggie Scott B	Dave & Jan Peterson	Sean
Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Pam Morton	Norma Tipton B	Linda Robuck	Laurel
Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum		David Wedeven B	Peter Stockwell	Luke
Dee Perreira	Elizabeth Moorhead		Marj Zantek A	Mark Westin	Avery
Norma Tipton	Bill Reeder				Soren
Cheryl Wright					Ellery
10 am	10 am	10 am			Elijah
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	A - computer		
Maggie Scott	Marj Zantek		B - non computer		
Stu Smith	Rick Zapp				
Peter Stockwell					
Michael Wentworth					

June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Vicar's Day Off 9 am Landscape Work Party
2 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist L_____	3 ____ College of	4 Congregational	5 Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group Development_____	6 Noon BC Reports due 12:30 pm Bible Study _____	7 Vicar's Day Off Music Group 9-noon _____ I	8 Vicar's Day Off
9 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 Paul Rietmann Contemplative Information 11:45 am BC Meeting	10 9 - 12:30 pm P.E.O. Ladies Joann - Recital 5:30 -8pm	11 1:30 pm Pastoral Care Meeting 3 pm Vacation Bible School Mtg.	12	13 12:30 pm Bible Study	14 Flag Day Vicar's Day Off Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	15 Vicar's Day Off 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Allstar Diner
16 Father's Day 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	17	18 11:00 am Witty Knitters	19 Juneteenth Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group	20 12:30 pm Bible Study	21 Vicar's Day Off Music Group 9-noon	22 Vicar's Day Off
23 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Reader/Lector Refresher Training after both services.	24	25 10:00 am Newsletter Deadline	26	27 12:30 pm Bible Study 5:00 pm Women's Social	28 Vicar's Day Off Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	29 Vicar's Day Off
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