

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

**Bishop's Committee Monthly Reports
June 2024**

VICAR'S REPORT – Mother Hillary

Worship and Spiritual Life: Episcopal 101 will continue through the summer but Godly Play will break for the summer. The New Beginnings Contemplative Prayer group will continue through the summer and Adult Bible Study will break. Youth Seminar will continue over the summer except on the first Sunday of July.

I am hosting a summer book study on Wednesday evenings which will include food and prayer, similar to our Lent soup suppers. I also hope to convene a liturgy and arts team that will talk through liturgical seasonal changes.

Pastoral Care: We continue to care for those in our congregation who are going through spiritual, emotional, or physical difficulties. I also hope to schedule the first Death and Donuts for later this summer to give folks an opportunity to do some funeral planning in a fun, communal environment.

Community Relationships: We will discuss a donation from the Brandenburg Fund to Project Linus, for which many of our parishioners volunteer.

Parish Life: With summer approaching, we don't have any major events planned currently until the August picnic and Vacation Bible School. I elected to offer the book study potluck rather than the individual coffee shop or pub meet ups this summer. If you would like to take on planning or assisting with the planning of a one-time social event, please let me know!

As I write this, I am at CCD with our team of formation leaders-- Esther, Marj, and Kristen-- and I feel excited about our future!

Stewardship: We decided that Stewardship would be the purview of the entire BC and a year-long endeavor in addition to the fall pledge drive. We need to begin being intentional about this. I'd like a BC member to kick us off by writing a "Why I Give" note for Happenings and speaking briefly about it at both services.

Administration: I'm still working on a proposal as well to account for an increase in pay for our musicians to get them closer to industry standard, even if it takes us a little time and some incremental steps to get there. Also still working on updating our employee handbook. I'm going to ask if Bill and Lori are game to do our audit again this year. Additionally, Linda would like to take an extended vacation in November so it's good to begin planning that in advance.

The septic repairs insurance claim has been initiated so I am hopeful insurance will assist with that large expense. Also our transition to fiber connection for phone and internet is in motion, with John Stockwell's leadership.

Thank you for your service and prayers.

MH+

BISHOP'S WARDEN – Holly Foley

I was thrilled to be invited to join the Flower Guild and Altar Guild to Heathers house for a lovely lunch and peony stroll through her gardens.

Dave P and I put together the benches for the playground and hope they make parents happy to sit and enjoy their time with the youth. We also finished a project hanging some of the certificates and pictures that had lost their hang time.

Mother Hillary+, Ruth and I returned the altar to "Normal time" colors.

I was solo on setting up between services and cleaning up the altar. Only one mistake :)

The cameras are still having WIFI connection problems, hopefully new routers will help with extension of the signal.

Looking forward to my next opportunity to mow the lawn, but thankful that Tim set up a schedule and many hands are making light work.

Holly Foley

PEOPLE'S WARDEN– Tim van As

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS – Cris McCarty

Nothing to report.

FACILITIES & ENVIRONMENT – David Peterson

Environmental – Tim VanAs started a list for volunteers to do yardwork (lawnmowing) Thank you Tim.

Hopefully we can get the grass under control and then work on other landscaping.

We had 1st Saturday work day last Saturday we had 7 members working and got a nice lunch courtesy of Sandy Martin.

I need to publicize that more to get more help.

Bill Fagan is getting the mower deck for the 2nd riding mower welded, we should have that fixed by next week (thank you Bill). We did move some plants in preparation for the concrete base for the bell tower. I am waiting on getting a call when that happens to move some more material.

FAITH FORMATION – Marj Zantek (Youth)

Nothing to report.

FAITH FORMATION – Esther Osborne (Adult)

Nothing to report.

FINANCE – Jim Foley

The renter caught up with the missing March payment last month. Applying the March rent to the month it was due, it puts us \$3,910.64 above breakeven on the year to date. We were a little behind budget on the month of May, missing breakeven by \$470.57. The DIF statement for April was not good news, as the stock markets tumbled that month, so did our fund balances, dropping by \$8,826.89.

Of the 7 funds we have in the Diocesan Investment Fund, two are endowments that have the limitation we can only spend the interest earned, not the original donation, adjusted for inflation. Chris Crowson had been the gatekeeper for this important piece of bookkeeping and would update the numbers at each year's annual meeting. With his passing, I have taken the information he used to share and incorporated it into the attached report on page 2, the DIF Summary. It now has a column showing the CPI (Consumer Price Index) adjusted funds available for the Endowment Fund and the Outreach Endowment Fund. These numbers are obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics' CPI Inflation Calculator (<https://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/cpicalc.pl?>), using \$2,000 from November 2002 for the Endowment Fund (\$3,458.89 inflation adjusted) and \$15,000 from December 2004 for the Outreach Endowment Fund (\$24,714.77 inflation adjusted). Those adjusted numbers are then subtracted from the current balance to get the funds available. This data will now be updated as part of the monthly report.

Thanks,
Jim

OUTREACH – Tim van As

Nothing to report.

PARISH LIFE – Holly Foley & David Peterson

Nothing to report.

PASTORAL CARE – Kathy Avery

Nothing to report.

Pastoral Care Commission



Kathy Avery

STEWARDSHIP – Bishop's Committee

Nothing to report.

WELCOMING – Melanie Reeder

The whiteboard from global industries and the required accessories have been ordered. The whiteboard and supplies will be sent to the Reeder home and then brought to the church for

installation. Below are the items ordered. The total cost was \$352.99. The company recommended I purchased them through their Amazon sales to save \$130 in shipping cost.

Thank you for supporting the purchase,

Melanie Reeder