

St. Andrew's Signpost

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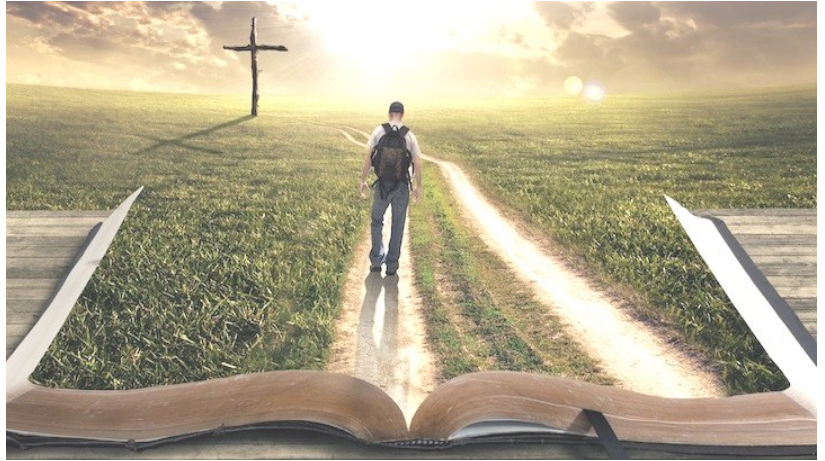
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Bob Beeson - People's Warden



"Walking in Faith This Summer"

As we step into the heart of summer, July offers a beautiful reminder of God's creation – long sunny days, blooming flowers, and time spent with family and friends. It's a season filled with joy, but also an opportunity to slow down and reflect on our walk with Christ.

In the midst of vacations and outdoor activities, let us not forget to remain rooted in faith. Whether you're traveling or staying close to home, take time to pray, read scripture, and attend worship. God's presence goes with us wherever we are.



This month, we encourage everyone to embrace the warmth of community. Join us for upcoming services, fellowship events, and service projects. Summer is a wonderful time to strengthen our bonds as a church family and reach out to those in need.

As Galatians 6:9 reminds us: *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."* May July be a month of renewal, rest, and rejoicing in the Lord's goodness.

Celebrating Freedom in Faith

"Freedom's Prayer"

*God of grace, we lift our eyes,
To freedom's flame beneath Your skies.
You led our nation through the fight,
With truth and courage, love, and light.
On this day, we humbly pray,
Guide our hearts and lead the way.
May justice, faith, and mercy be
The roots of true liberty.
~ Amen.*

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

— 2 Corinthians 3:17 (NIV)

Reflection:

As we celebrate Independence Day, we remember that true freedom begins with the Spirit of the Lord. Our nation's blessings are many, but the greatest freedom is found in Christ—freedom from sin, fear, and despair. May we honor our country not only with flags and fireworks, but with lives rooted in righteousness, justice, and love. Let us pray for our leaders, our neighbors, and our future, trusting that God's hand still guides this land.

VICAR'S VAGARIES

Prophetic Imagination, Freedom in the Spirit, and Costly Discipleship

Looking ahead to the Sunday readings through the month of July, we are offered an opportunity to explore Prophetic Imagination and Divine Disruption, Freedom and Formation in the Spirit, and The Cost and Shape of Discipleship

From Elijah's whirlwind departure (Proper 8) to Amos' plumb line and summer fruit visions (Proper 10-11), and Hosea's symbolic family (Proper 12), the Old Testament readings confront complacency and call God's people to reckon with injustice, idolatry, and spiritual drift. These prophets don't just predict—they provoke. They invite us to see the world as God sees it: ripe for transformation, but also under judgment when truth is ignored.

These threads challenge spiritual stagnation and awaken deeper engagement.

The Epistle readings from Galatians and Colossians trace a movement from freedom in Christ (Gal. 5-6) to maturity in Christ (Col. 1-2). Paul urges believers to live by the Spirit, bear one another's burdens, and to grow in wisdom and strength. This is not freedom for self-indulgence, but for love, service, and for being rooted in Christ's fullness.

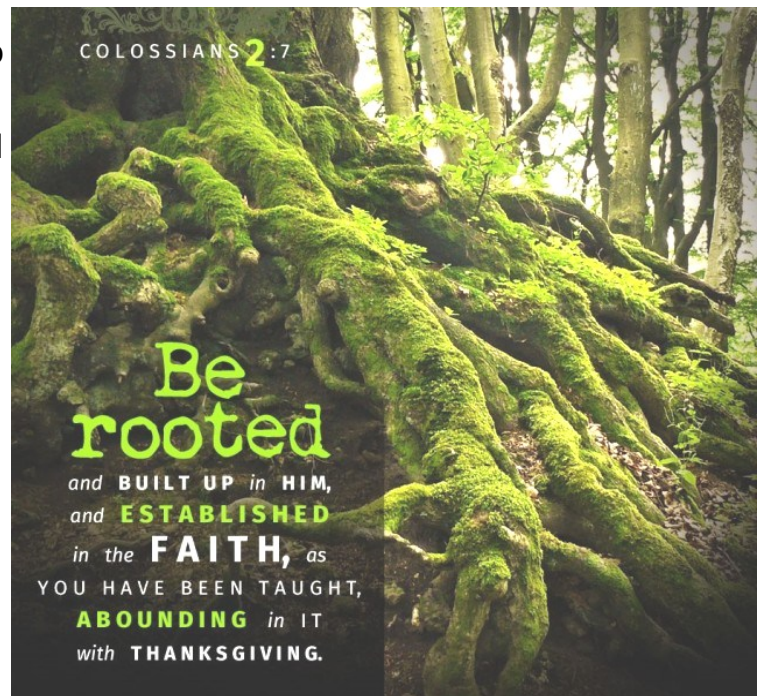
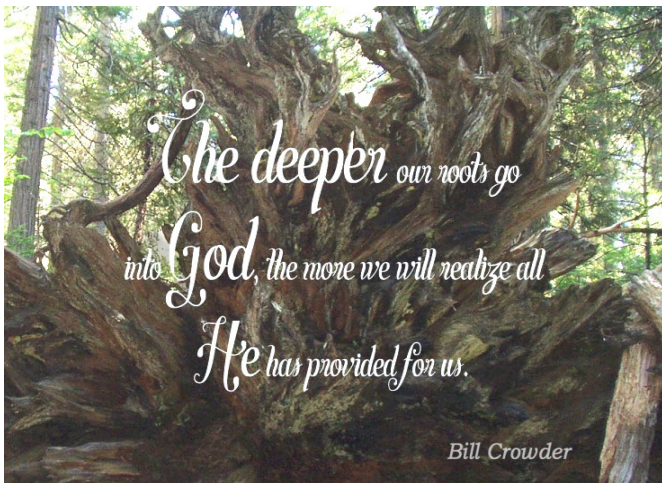
Paul's is a vision of spiritual abundance that balances liberation with responsibility—perfect for nurturing a community in transformation.

The Gospel readings from Luke are especially poignant: Jesus sets his face toward Jerusalem (Proper 8), sends out the seventy (Proper 9), tells the parable of the Good Samaritan (Proper 10), and teaches about prayer and persistence (Proper 12). These passages emphasize that discipleship is not a passive identity—it's a journey marked by urgency, compassion, hospitality, and deep trust in God.

These gospels invite us to reflect on how we embody the Kingdom in daily life, especially when it's inconvenient or contrary to the "rubber-stamped" notions espoused by those convinced of God's favor and privilege for them and those "inspired" to similar mediocrity.

The Psalms—whether crying out in distress (Psalm 77), celebrating healing (Psalm 30), or pleading for restoration (Psalm 85)—echo the emotional and spiritual tension of God's Justice and Mercy in Tension throughout these days. They remind us that divine justice is not cold retribution but is always tempered by mercy and the hope of renewal.

July becomes an invitation: to be disrupted, to deepen our roots, and to follow Christ into the costly, Spirit-led work of the Kingdom. In a world that prefers comfort and certainty, these texts call us to courageous witness and sacred possibility.



BE IN THE KNOW

*Creator of all, you speak life into being
and call us into holy community.*

*Open our ears to listen, enliven our curiosity
to learn, and hasten our courage to respond.*

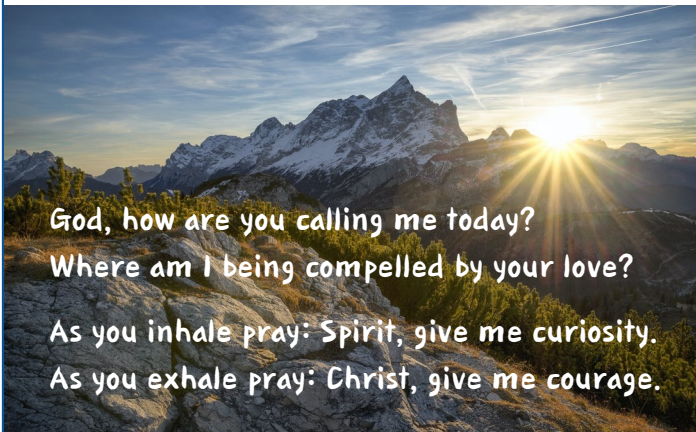
*Teach us how to listen and love as you do,
joining with all of creation as we proclaim
and embody your Good News in all that
we undertake.*

*May the Spirit's breath empower us to
live these words we pray, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

A Morning Examen:

As you begin your day, notice how you are feeling, offer gratitude to God for being present with you, and scan your day ahead.

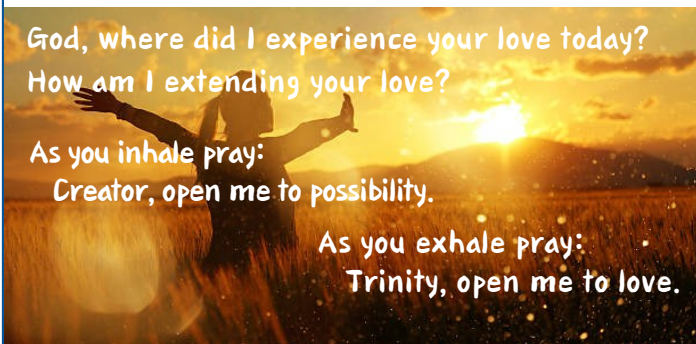
Hold the following wonderings as you watch for and welcome Christ today:



God, how are you calling me today?
Where am I being compelled by your love?
As you inhale pray: Spirit, give me curiosity.
As you exhale pray: Christ, give me courage.

An Evening Examen:

Notice how you are feeling, offer gratitude to God for being with you, and scan the day behind you. Hold the following wonderings as you reflect on where you recognized and welcomed Christ:



God, where did I experience your love today?
How am I extending your love?

As you inhale pray:
Creator, open me to possibility.

As you exhale pray:
Trinity, open me to love.

ST. ANDREW'S NEWS



**Are you looking for a way
to connect and serve?**

**Your talents and servant hearts are
needed on Sunday mornings.**

We are looking for people to help with:

- Eucharistic and Acolyte ministries
 - Lector readings
 - Ushering
 - Coffee Hour
- Altar Guild responsibilities

There are many ways to serve.

A sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall.
Please take a moment to see how you can serve.



The Flower Calendar is hanging
in the Parish Hall.

Please take a moment to sign
up if you would like to help
provide flowers for our services,
or in celebration or memory
of a loved one.

ST. ANDREW'S AROUND TOWN ~ OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

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Schedule for July 5th-12th

July 5th ~ Saturday

7:30 pm ~ Gala Concert #1 at
Riverwalk Park Pavilion

July 6th ~ Sunday

3:00 pm ~ Young Musicians Concert
at Chelan Lutheran Church

7:30 pm ~ Gala Concert #2
At Lake Chelan Chamber

July 7th ~ Monday

 10:00 am ~ Courtyard Concert #1
at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Noon ~ Noon Concert #1
at United Methodist Church

July 8th ~ Tuesday

10:30 am ~ Children's Live Arts Program
at Chelan Library

Noon ~ Noon Concert #2
at United Methodist or Riverwalk

July 9th ~ Wednesday

 10:00 am ~ Courtyard Concert #2
at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Noon ~ Noon Concert #3
at United Methodist or Riverwalk

July 10th ~ Thursday

10:30 am ~ Children's Live Arts
Program at Chelan Library

Noon ~ Noon Concert #4
at United Methodist Church

July 11th ~ Friday

Noon ~ Noon Concert #5
at United Methodist Church

6:30 pm ~ Know the Score
at St. Francis Catholic Church

July 12th ~ Saturday

7:30 pm ~ Pops in the Park
ECW Cookie Sale at Riverwalk Park



REMINDER:

The Bach Fest Committee and musicians will be storing their equipment in the Parish Hall during the week of Bach Fest. If you have a group meeting during those dates and times, please respect their equipment. Thank you for your support.

ECW Cookie Sale

The ECW will be holding their annual cookie fund raising sell at the *Pops In The Park* concert on Saturday, July 12th. If you would like to provide cookies, help with set-up, selling, or clean-up, please contact Marci Hale.



In 2024 the food bank supported 10,973 families (37,000 individuals) and made 764 home deliveries to shut-ins. They are in need of: financial donations, Food Pantry items [non-perishable, no/low prep (open & eat) meals/food items for the 24/7], and travel sized hygiene items. There is a collection box in the Parish hall for your donations.

The Food Pantry

We are collecting **non-perishable, no/low prep** (open & eat) meals/food items for the 24/7 (monitored) Food Pantry. Examples of acceptable items: Heat & Eat soups/stews, tuna/meat (pouches or cans), Spam, nuts, trail mix, individual servings/packages of jerky, boxed milk, pre-packaged meals, etc. *Note: cans should have pull tab lids for ease of use/preparation.*

The Hygiene Pantry

We are also collecting travel or motel sized hygiene items such as soaps, shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.

A LETTER FROM PRESIDING BISHOP ROWE

FROM THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

ACTING FAITHFULLY IN TROUBLING TIMES: A LETTER FROM PRESIDING BISHOP ROWE

June 11, 2025

Dear people of God in The Episcopal Church:

I am writing to you from Geneva, where I am meeting with global partners at the World Council of Churches and the United Nations Refugee Agency. As we have discussed how our institutions might act faithfully and boldly in these turbulent times, I have been reflecting on how we Episcopalians can respond to what is unfolding around us as followers of the Risen Christ whose first allegiance is to the kingdom of God, not to any nation or political party.

The events of the last several days lend urgency to this spiritual challenge. Earlier this week, President Trump's executive order banning or restricting travel from 19 countries went into effect. This order impacts countries that are home to dioceses of The Episcopal Church and many of our Anglican Communion partners, and I have written to the bishops and primates in those countries to express our concern.

The unwarranted deployment of the National Guard and U.S. Marine Corps on the streets of Los Angeles also signals a dangerous turn. As the bishops of California have written, these military deployments risk escalating the confrontations unnecessarily and set a dangerous precedent for future deployments that heighten tensions rather than resolve them. As Christians committed to strive for justice and peace among all people, we know that there is a better way.

What we are witnessing is the kind of distortion that arises when institutions like the military and the State Department are turned on the people they were meant to protect. These mainstays of the federal government, designed to safeguard civil society and promote peace and stability, are now being weaponized for political advantage.

The violence on television is not our only risk. We are also seeing federal budget proposals that would shift resources from the poor to the wealthy; due process being denied to immigrants; and the defunding of essential public health, social service, and foreign aid programs that have long fulfilled the Gospel mandate to care for the vulnerable, children, and those who are hungry and sick.

With all of this in mind, we are finding ways to respond as Christians to what we see happening around us. We are exploring options to support litigation challenging the travel ban on the ground of religious freedom; advocating for federal spending that safeguards the welfare of the most vulnerable; caring for immigrants and refugees in our congregations and communities; and standing in solidarity with other faith groups. In short, we are practicing institutional resistance rooted not in partisan allegiance, but in Christian conviction.

At its best, our church is capable of moral clarity and resolute commitment to justice. I believe we can bring those strengths to bear on this gathering storm. Churches like ours, protected by the First Amendment and practiced in galvanizing people of goodwill, may be some of the last institutions capable of resisting the injustice now being promulgated. That is not a role we sought—but it is one we are called to.

In Geneva, I have been reminded that we are part of a global communion of hope in the Risen Christ. We do not stand alone as we live by our baptismal promises: to persevere in resisting evil, to strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being. In these troubling times, may we find courage and resilience in our identity as members of the Body of Christ.

Yours in Christ,

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe

Link

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/publicaffairs/acting-faithfully-in-troubling-times-a-letter-from-presiding-bishop-rowe/>

BE IN THE KNOW ~ **DIOCESAN NEWS**



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... of Camp Cross at
www.CampCross.org

2025 SESSIONS

June 22 - 25

~ Leaders In Training

June 27 - 29

~ Women's I Men's Weekend

July 3 - 6

~ Days at the Lake

July 8 - 11

~ Mini Camp

July 20 - 25

~ Sr. High Camp

July 27 - August 1

~ Arts and Music Camp

August 4 - 8

~ Intermediate Camp

August 28 - September 1

~ Labor Day Family Camp

September 4 - 7

~ Queer Camp

September 18-21

~ Young Adult Camp

BE IN THE KNOW ~ DIOCESAN NEWS

Camp Cross Capital Campaign Update

June 24, 2025

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you! Thank you for your generosity and for your patience as we conducted the stages of a capital campaign for new cabins with bathrooms and a new retreat center for Camp Cross. We did this during the challenging years of covid and its aftermath. A capital campaign itself might be relatively short, but the time frame for donations is several years, and as we waited for the needed funds we continued to spread the word that Camp Cross is a treasure for the diocese and beyond. We celebrated 100 years of camping in 2023. We had the challenges and joys of directors who retired, who left for other calls, and who joined our team. We wrote for a Murdock grant, and we received \$350,000 in grant funding. A longtime member of the diocese gave a bequest, and many, many, faithful members of our diocese and camp community continued to donate.

As we worked with the architect and contractors, we discovered that of course estimates do nothing but go up, that building costs are impacted by trade wars and tariffs, that costs increase, and that even Idaho has strict building codes! Yet we patiently persisted, and finally, I am delighted to report that we have signed the contract and construction will begin as soon as the last permit has been approved.

Construction at camp will of course mean some disruption, but this is a challenge of growth and life, and those are great challenges to have. Our goal is to continue to have fabulous summer camping sessions even in the midst of work taking place. So if you are out this summer please be aware that there will be work happening, and perhaps next summer as well.

By the pictures:

Our architect has rendered beautiful images of the new retreat house and cabins and they are at the end of this letter.

By the numbers:

Our capital campaign raised \$3,012,780.32. This is an amazing level of support and I am so very grateful to everyone who donated. With the Murdock grant of 350K the total for the work raised is \$3,362,780.32

We had 297 individual donors (individual donors includes couples and families), which shows wonderful participation across the diocese. Of these donors there were over a thousand instances of donations! Every congregation in our diocese is represented with donors! We also received donations from across the Church, with donations from people in many other dioceses. Camp Cross is truly a beloved place!

The Foundation has generously offered up to \$500,000 in additional support as needed for the completion of the construction. This is a great example of how having a diocesan foundation allows for greater support for the mission and ministry of the diocese, and how giving the Foundation can allow for greater impact.

The new cabins and retreat center will allow for up to 32 more people to sleep cabins with bathrooms!

The total cost of the new retreat center and cabins is contracted to be \$3,043,316, subject of course to contingencies and any additions or subtractions as construction proceeds.

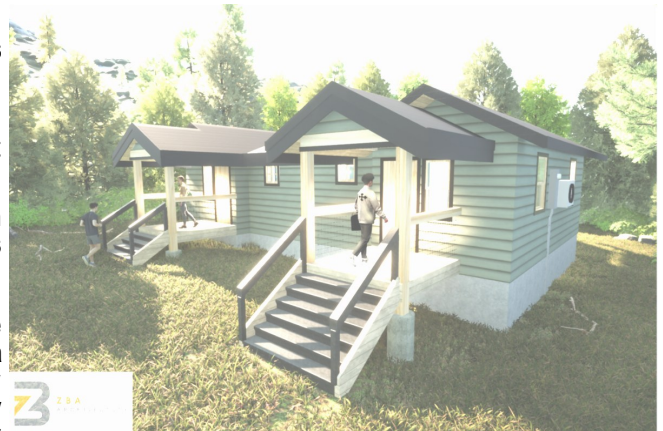
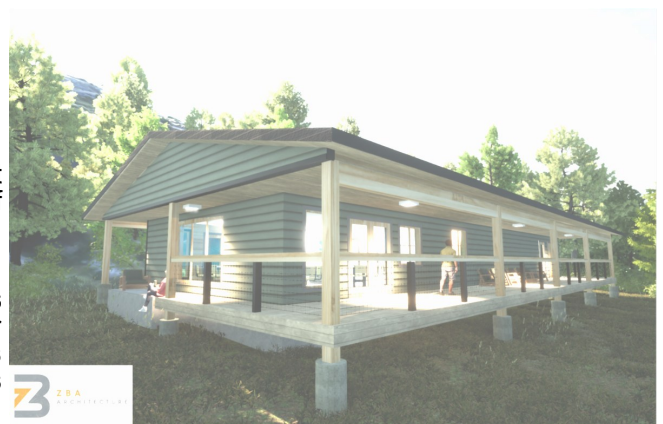
Thank you again, without you, this could not have been possible, and with you, we are poised to move with joy into the next 100 years of ministry at Camp Cross, and beyond the next 100 years.

So what is next? We will continue to bring progress updates as the construction moves along and will let everyone know when the new retreat house and cabins are available for use. We will continue to talk about the importance of ongoing facilities maintenance, formation programming, scholarships for all ages, and the wonderful resource we have for the whole diocese in Camp Cross. Come visit! In addition, consider giving a gift to Camp Cross to help scholarship a camper, to offset expenses for camp, to the endowment fund for camp, or by volunteering yourself at camp. There are so many ways to support the ministry of Camp Cross and we hope you will continue to do so in ways that work for you.

Thank you again for your ongoing support!

Faithfully,

The Rt. Rev'd Gretchen M. Rehberg, Bishop



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