St. Andrew's Signpost

Linda Cox, Senior Warden Liz Perry, Editor April 2009



Notes from Linda

As we go into the Easter season we are proceeding with as many services and celebrations that we can without a priest. On Maundy Thursday we will have the Agape meal, footwashing, stripping of the altar. We will not have Eucharist, but will gather together as the community of St. Andrew's. There will not be an Easter Eve service. Fr. Michael West will be celebrant on Easter morning.

My deepest concern has been the lack of pastoral care. The vestry has entered into negotiations with The Rev. Holladay Sanderson to be at St. Andrew's half time, which will mean Eucharist at least twice a month.

Once again I want to thank all of you who have stepped in to help with the day to day and Sunday to Sunday business of St. Andrew's. We are all on a "learning curve", and need the prayers and continued support from all of you on Sunday mornings as well as the rest of the week.

Linda Cox, Sr. Warden

Looking Ahead

April 3—First Friday, downtown open house

April 5-Palm Sunday, The Rev Steve Woolley

April 9-Maundy Thursday Agape meal

April 12-Easter The Rev. Michael West

April 15—ECW 12 noon Parish Hall

April 16— Vestry 4 PM

April 17—Picture albums work session 9:30-12

April 19—Annual meeting Potluck

April 28—The Rev. Marilyn Wilder

June 14—Saturday 11 AM Linda Mayer will be Ordained deacon at St. Andrew's

It is a reality of the time that many small missions and parishes are unable to support a full time priest. This is true not only in the Diocese of Spokane, but others around the country as well. Solutions are being sought, and the new direction may be that two or three churches would share clergy.

Because so many churches in this diocese are without a full time priest it is difficult to find a supply priest on a regular basis. This is not a new reality for St. Andrew's and the Bishop has suggested an option for us to explore.

Holladay Sanderson is a priest in our diocese and has been supplying at Moses Lake. She has finished that assignment. You also may have read her column in the Inland Episcopalian.

Although she is not known to many in our congregation, she is well known to some members of our vestry who highly recommended her. In fairness to her we needed to let her know that we were interested in having her at St. Andrew's as soon as possible. We could not arrange a schedule for a visit with the congregation before entering into negotiations with her.

Holladay Sanderson is married, (and yes, her husband is fine with her full schedule). They live in Coeur d'Alene. She is a former music teacher and CPA.

Holladay has been described as organized, energetic, down to earth and easy to talk to. She has had training in congregational ministry, and the vestry feels she would be helpful to us as a congregation to grow as lay members, and help give us direction for the future.

The plan is to hire Holladay on a half time basis for three to six months. She would be in Chelan from Thursday to Thursday, two times a month starting in May. The cost for six months would be \$15,000, and housing would be provided while she is here. There would be no significant increase in our current budget. The vestry knows you will give Holladay a warm St. Andrew's welcome and enjoy our time with her.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Phillis Doty Funeral 2 PM	4
5 Palm Sunday Rev. Woolley	6 Yoga 7-9	7	8 Yoga 7-9	9 Maundy Thursday	10 Yoga 7-9	11
12 Easter Rev. West	13 Yoga 7-9	14	15 Yoga 7-9 ECW Parish Hall	16 Vestry 4 PM	17 Yoga 7-9 Picture album 9:30—12	18
19 Annual Meeting	20 Yoga 7-9	21	22 Yoga 7-9	23	24 Yoga 7-9	25
26 Rev. Wilder	27 Yoga 7-9	28	29 Yoga 7-9	30		



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April 2009 NEWSLETTER

With God's help, we at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church seek to:

- pursue a common life, consistent with our Anglican heritage, that involves Eucharist, teaching, fellowship and prayer.
- witness to the Gospel by word and example
- recognize and serve Christ in all persons
- promote justice, peace and love

Vestry Action

Our income to date is in line with the budget. We are continuing to receive donations for the church and grounds rehabilitation fund, and continuing to make our loan repayments to the diocese.

The vestry voted to enter into negotiations with The Rev. Holladay Sanderson for two weeks per month. The cost is within the 2009 budget. Housing will be provided.

Pat PaPorte, Landscape Committee, has talked to two electrical contractors about installing outdoor lighting, but had not received bids to date.

The next vestry meeting is postponed until April 16, since the second Thursday falls on Maundy Thursday.

We will miss the lady that sat in the fifth row, left almost every Sunday. Phillis Doty died Friday March 20th at Lake Chelan Hospital. Melinda St. Clair had given her last rites. Phillis, a member of the Kelly family, was a lady who didn't like indecision or foot dragging. "Let's get on with it," could be described as her motto.

She was an active member of ECW, was always ready to contribute her cooking and help to the pie socials, potlucks, luncheons, other ECW functions as well as kitchen cleaning sessions, as long as she was able. Phillis attended parish meetings and celebrations faithfully. She was the person that collected the sales receipts from Chelan Red Apple, and turned them in for a rebate that helped with ECW purchases of coffee, paper towels etc. Who will carry on?

Her "Good Morning" on Sunday morning was a joy, and we will miss the greeting as well as her presence in the left side fifth row.

The funeral for Phillis Doty will be Friday April 3 at 2 PM. Reception in the parish hall will follow.



Easter is the oldest festival of the church year. The period of fifty days after Easter is older than either Lent or Advent. For some time these fifty days were considered of greater significance than Lent.

The entire season from Easter to Pentecost was once observed as one continuous festival. Later, in the fourth century, the season was separated into the Resurrection, the Ascension and Pentecost.

Easter Day is the most important day of the church year. "Christ is risen! Alleluia!" The resurrection is the keystone in the arch of Christianity. Without it, everything else crumbles. Christians moved their day of worship from the last day of the week to the first so that each Sunday is a "little Easter." Sundays are never fast days even during Lent.

The color for the Easter season is white. Wetzler; Seasons & Symbols

Have a Happy and Glorious Easter

All the flowers God has made are beautiful. The rose in its glory and the lily in its whiteness do not rob the tiny violet of its sweet smell, or the daisy of its charming simplicity. I saw that if all these lesser blooms wanted to be roses instead, nature would lose the gaiety of her springtide dress—there would be no little flowers to make a pattern over the countryside. And so it is with the world of souls, which is the Lord's garden. He wanted to have great saints to be his lilies and roses, but he has made lesser saints as well; and these lesser ones must be content to rank as daisies and violets, lying at his feet and giving pleasure to his eye like that. Perfection consists simply in doing his will, and being just what he wants us to be.

St. Therese of Lisieux
From Breakfast with the Saints; Neff