

# ST. ANDREW'S SIGNPOST

The Rev. Doug Cockbill  
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## **MEET OUR NEW PRIEST.....**

The Rev. Douglas Cockbill (pronounced Cobill) served Eucharist on Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Andrew's giving a very meaningful and dynamic voice to the liturgy. He has submitted the following.

### **Biography**

Like any true Christian humility should be my M. O. Therefore, I do not like to talk about myself (unlike St. Paul, who did like to talk about himself!!!)  
But, in order that I might be known a little on the personal level, here are some facts about my life that you may be able to connect with.

Born in Northern Illinois, lifelong Anglican

Attended St. Andrew's School near Sewanee, Tennessee, a boarding school operated at that time by Anglican monks. I thought that I might be called to become a monk.

Avid athlete: played football, basketball, baseball and track there.

Studied New Testament and Early Christian Literature at the University of Chicago (I was there before Barack Obama), graduating in 1975.

Attended two seminaries: CDSP in Berkeley, California and General Seminary, New York City.

Married woman from the Bahamas and first served as a priest in the Virgin Islands (school chaplain) and the Bahamas (rural ministry)

Served 14 years a "vicar" in Diocese of London, England

Served 3 years as a chaplain in Larnaka, Cyprus, Eastern Mediterranean

Have visited 68 countries, but speak no foreign languages

Like to cook, garden, and outdoor sports.

Love God, and prefer to be called Christian rather than Anglican or Episcopalian

Am here to serve and not to be served Mark 10:45

(Note: he prefers to be called Doug or Douglas not Father)-ed.

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## **DEATH AND RESURRECTION, IT'S ALL THAT REALLY MATTERS**

A few years ago in this country there was a saying making the rounds that went like this:

“When you are on your deathbed will you say to yourself: “I wish I had spent more time at the office.”? Brilliant! It speaks about priorities, and understanding early on in life where to invest our time and energy, what really matters when it is all over, and what we ought to love for as our most important values.

In Holy Week and Easter, what is really, really, really important, not only in the church calendar. . .but what is essential *in life*. We face the suffering, death, and resurrection to eternity of Jesus of Nazareth, and if we immerse ourselves in these events and share his life, we will experience the greatest and most powerful meaning known to humanity.

Forget for this week all of our concerns about mortgages, job security, debt, shopping, church business, family feuds, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan!!! When life reaches the end for each of us, what will matter for all eternity is how we face our deaths and whether we have the hope of resurrection to eternal life with Christ. ***It will be all that matters from that time forward.*** It is the essence of the meaning of life. How we bear---and whether we face---those issues of suffering, death, and resurrection will determine the quality of our life now. . . and whether we have an eternal future in the presence of God.

The passion of Jesus provides us the best opportunity we will ever have to search the deep purpose of why we are here and of what we should do about being here. Jesus kindly showed us how to face life, suffering, and death, and how to triumph over it all in rising from the dead, and he makes it available to us through the commemoration of his life's struggle. But there is no alternative method: ***We must walk the way of the cross, and share in his suffering and death, if we will know the joy, release, and confidence of his triumph over death.***

It comes down to courage in the end: the courage to follow where Jesus leads, to live his life, to engage in his suffering and death, and to rise with him to life everlasting.

God grant us that courage this Holy Week and every day of our lives until we meet Him in glory!!!!

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### **VESTRY NOTES March 11, 2010**

Representatives from St. Andrew's met with the search committee from St. Luke's and a call was sent to the Rev. Doug Cockbill to be the priest of both congregations. We will welcome him to St. Andrew's on Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup>.

A plaque in memory of Genie Rarden will be placed in the Columbarium Garden.

A letter to be sent to the diocese was signed by the vestry members present affirming Linda Mayer for ordination. More information will follow.

The new St. Andrew's informational sign is ready for installation. The web site address will be added. It is painted on a metal sheet and framed by Fine Line Signs in Manson.

**All committee reports are due on Phyllis' desk by March 31 to be included in the report at the annual meeting April 11.**

## **EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN**

ECW voted to give the vestry \$200 to be applied to the cost of the new St. Andrew's sign. They also voted to pay for the hanging basket placed by the city to be located in front of the church.

We need volunteers from the congregation to help on First Fridays.  
The next meeting will be Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 in the Parish Hall.

### **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Dale Peterson – 4  
Mike Richardson – 9  
Elbert Hubbard – 10  
Ry Peterson – 11  
David Pettit – 18  
Betty Pettit – 18  
Orlo Hill - 19

### **APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

Bill and Susan Fisher - 7

**Due to the increase in postage and in order to keep expenses down, we are putting the Newsletter on the St. Andrew's webpage and hope that you can go online and print it. [www.standrews-chelan.org](http://www.standrews-chelan.org) click on Newsletter**  
**If you wish to have a Newsletter mailed to you, we will be happy to do so, but please let me know at [psgstudio@aol.com](mailto:psgstudio@aol.com) or 509 687-1304 (leave message). Copies will also be available in the parish hall.**

**The Flower Chart has many empty spaces. Please sign up for thanksgivings, memorials, birthdays and anniversaries. It is a great way to remember those special people and events in our lives for only \$20. The best part is that the Altar Guild buys and arranges the flowers – how easy is that?**

### **Calendar for April 2010**

**April 1 Maundy Thursday The Rev Doug Cockbill**  
**April 2 Good Friday 12PM – 3PM The Rev. Doug Cockbill**  
**April 4 Easter Sunday - Holy Eucharist 10 AM The Rev. Christianne McKee**  
**April 11 Holy Eucharist 10 AM The Rev. Marilyn Wilder**  
**April 18 Either Morning Prayer or Holy Eucharist 10 AM**  
**April 25 Either Morning Prayer or Holy Eucharist 10 AM**

**Yoga - Mondays from 7:30 – 9AM Parish Hall**  
**AA Men – Tuesdays 7 PM Parish Hall**  
**AA Women – Thursdays 12 Noon Parish Hall**

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