

ST. ANDREW'S SIGNPOST

The Rev. Linda Mayer, Community Priest
Linda Cox, Senior Warden
Michael Clayton, Junior Warden

June 2012

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Vestry Notes May 19, 2012

The May meeting of the vestry was an all day retreat at the home of Jim and Liz Perry. It was an extended time for consideration and discussion of ways to better serve St. Andrew's and our congregation.

The financial statements are still in a period of revision for more clarity, but although some pledges are slow we are on budget for the first quarter of 2012.

A new mission statement for St. Andrew's was adopted: **With God's help we at St. Andrew's seek to share God's word and love by ministering to our community and each other through worship, teaching, fellowship and prayer.**

The vestry agreed that the number one goal is to pay off the loan from the diocese for our 2008 church renovation as soon as possible. Extra payments are being made.

Our bylaws concerning the dates of the annual meeting were changed to be in line with the requirements of the Diocese. **The annual meeting will be held between December and the 4th Sunday in February.** This will bring us into compliance.

It was decided that during the Prayers of the People two names will be spoken aloud and announced briefly why we are asking for prayers for them and relationship to a member of the congregation. This will be on a rotating basis.

The vestry recommended the return of **Saints and Sinners**. In case you don't remember or don't know, this was a fellowship social time together and often took the form of a parish picnic (which we do at Pettit's in the summer), progressive dinners on both the North Shore and South Shore, trip to a ballgame in Wenatchee, to a play in Chelan at the Performing Arts Center, and good times to enjoy each others company. Give us some more ideas!!

Upcoming Events:

June 2: At St. Luke's, Wenatchee 9:30AM to 3:30PM – a meeting of the Spring Regional Gathering. (the diocese is now divided into regions instead of deaneries)

June 6, Wednesday – St. Luke's Guild Luncheon to honor influential women of St. Andrew's and others in the region.

At St. Andrew's

June 17 Sunday coffee hour – to celebrate the second anniversary of Linda Mayer's ordination.

June 20, Wednesday 12:30 ECW meets in parish hall

June 21 Thursday 7PM An outdoor Summer Soltice service – wine & strawberries after.

Summer solstice is the day that the sun reaches its highest position in the sky. Depending on the shift of the calendar, the summer solstice occurs some time between June 20 and June 22 in the Northern Hemisphere. Except in the polar regions (where daylight is continuous for many months), the day on which the summer solstice occurs is the day of the year with the longest period of daylight.

Worldwide, interpretation of the event has varied among cultures, but most have held a recognition of sign of the fertility, involving holidays, festivals, gatherings, rituals or other celebrations around that time. The word *solstice* derives from Latin *sol* (sun) and *sistere* (to stand still).

Wikipedia.org

Godspeed to Don and Jan Jamtaas as they soon leave us after 27 years to move back to California to be closer to family. They have both been active members of St. Andrew's with Don serving on vestry and as Senior Warden several times (remember his flip charts?). He was chair of the Diocesan Convention at St. Andrew's, served at the Diocesan level on several committees and always worked for the good of St. Andrew's. Jan was active in ECW, edited the Newsletter for several years (before the age of computers and printers). They hosted Saints and Sinners at their lakeside home and were always available to help when needed. We had hoped to have a special coffee hour to say farewell but in order to accommodate both the buyer of their home on the lake and the seller of their new home in Mission Viejo they will go south sooner than expected. We will miss them. They plan to come back next summer for vacation at the Lake they love best!! There may be one more Sunday to say farewell.

Congratulations to Hannah Hubbard and Betty Pettit winners at the Manson Apple Blossom Festival. Hannah won first prize for her Pyramid quilt and a second prize for her hand quilted Hawaiian quilt. Betty won first prize for her Apple Bars. (Now we need to taste a sample at coffee hour Betty)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sadie Reynolds – 2
Maureen Reynolds – 3
Jane Farris – 3
Meredith Beeson – 10
Norm Kuntz – 16
Barb Ramella – 23

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Rudy & Linda Mayer – 15
Linda & Larry Cox – 18
Don & Jan Jamtaas – 20
Janice & Ken Hartl – 23
Dave & Betty Pettit – 27
Norm & Linda Kuntz – 31

Have you met Marci Hale?

We all sing louder when there is a strong voice in the congregation. That strong and beautiful voice as soloist and from the rear of the church is Marci Hale. Marci's ties to St. Andrew's go back to our beginning when her great grandfather, A. H. Murdock was one of the founding families in 1891, served as the first bishop's warden, and helped build the church building. She also has ties to St. Mary's the 1914 mission church at 25 Mile Creek where her grandfather Titus Hale was one of the builders and the family were active members..

Marci grew up in the 25 Mile Creek area as the daughter of Roger and Elizabeth

Hale. Born in 1946 after the death of her two brothers, Stuart and David in the school bus accident, she always felt loved by the whole community. Both of her parents were musical and she fondly remembers all the community get-togethers where music played an important part. Although her parents later divorced Marci always was a part of their lives.

After leaving home she lived in various parts of the country over the years, until after a failed marriage she came back to Lake Chelan to be with her parents who were then in their 80's. Now living in the family home on the 25 Mile Creek property that was given by Titus Hale to Roger and Elizabeth when they were married Marci keeps busy raising dahlia's, is a member of the North Fork Water Assn., she goes snowmobiling in the winter, and is an active member of the Wenatchee Valley Street Rod Assn. She is owner of a very spiffy coupe that she drives in the Wenatchee Apple Blossom Parade.

Marci loves to sing and is very happy to be at St. Andrew's and grateful for the welcome she has received.

As we go into the season of Pentecost the church remembers when the gift of the Holy Spirit is given to the apostles (Acts 2:1) and comes on the Sunday fifty days after Easter. The name derives from the Greek name of the Jewish Festival of Weeks fifty days after Passover, when the event originally occurred. Because this event signaled the beginning of the apostles' public proclamation of Jesus as the Christ, it is often called the birthday of the Christian church.

Pentecost is the season of the church year which runs from the Sunday of Pentecost until the First Sunday of Advent. The cycle of the liturgical year from Advent through Easter recalls Jesus' earthly ministry, culminating in the remembrance of his death, resurrection, and post resurrection appearances. The Pentecost season calls us to explore the significance of the church itself as the sign of Christ's continued presence and ongoing activity in the world.

Wall, The Rev. John N., *A New Dictionary for Episcopalians* Harper & Row, San Francisco

The symbols of Pentecost in our stained glass windows located as the center group of windows on the right side of the nave. The earth plot shows a cross superimposed over Washington State and lines radiating outward to signify the influence of the Word as it reaches throughout the world. The center medallion is the sacrament of Holy Orders and shows a bell sheep with crown to signify leadership and teaching through Christ. The chalice and cross is symbolic of the priests commission to celebrate Holy Eucharist. Loaves and fishes depict the teaching ministry of Christ and His miracles. The Pentecost symbol of seven flames are indicative of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Water and fruit show our special gifts in the Chelan area and the plowshare to commemorate the pioneer settlers of the Chelan area. The Pentecost seasonal color in the lower border is red.

CALENDAR JUNE 2012

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- June 3 - Holy Eucharist 10 AM**
- June 10 – Holy Eucharist 10 AM**
- June 17 – Holy Eucharist 10 AM**
Mayer coffee hour
- June 20 – ECW 12:30**
- June 24 – Holy Eucharist 10 AM**

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