

## **St. Andrew's Signpost**

The Rev. Linda Mayer, Community Priest

Linda Cox, Senior Warden

Rudy Mayer, Junior Warden

### **NOVEMBER 2011**

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#### **Vestry notes: October 13, 2011**

Treasurer's report showed that we are currently on budget. Pledges are a bit under, but most are expected to come in by year end.

Energy upgrades were discussed with some yet to be finished. Ceiling vents above the office were inspected and are insulated but may need more in the future. The vestry voted to proceed with a preventive maintenance agreement with North Cascades Heating. This would include twice a year maintenance with change of furnace filters, checking wiring and inspecting the heating/AC system. After cost comparisons, energy efficient light bulbs will be purchased from Kelly's Hardware and used as other bulbs are replaced.

Stewardship month is approaching and the kick-off date is November 20. Hannah Hubbard, Pat LaPorte and Linda Mayer will meet to do the planning.

Linda Cox said that according to the canons of the church, the Diocese is requiring us to have our Annual Meeting between December and February. We have been out of compliance by previously moving our Annual Meeting to April. The date of the **Annual Meeting** will be **February 12**. Mail ballots can be made available for those out of town members to vote for new vestry members and delegates to convention. Committee reports will need to be in to Phyllis by mid January.

There will be three baskets to be raffled off to benefit Episcopal Relief and Development. (more about that following)

Some ideas on how to use our current Outreach funds to benefit our community were Teen Center at the Methodist Church and the Food Bank as well as through Chelan Valley Hope. Details will be reported at the next meeting.

Linda Mayer gave an update on her pastoral care activities for the past month. She has visited with two who are in Hospice, and with some of our members either home bound or in the hospital. (At this writing a funeral is in the planning stage.)

Plants are being cut back in preparation for winter. Larry will pick up the leaves that have blown in from the park and use them for compost.

All Saints day will be celebrated on November 6.

Next Vestry meeting will be November 10 at 4 PM.

**Bishop Jim Waggoner** met with the vestry for dinner on Saturday Oct. 22 and officiated at Eucharist on Sunday, followed by a potluck dinner. It is always a delight to have the Bishop with us and already look forward to his next visit.

### **Three Baskets Raffle**

To augment our Episcopal Relief & Development fund drive, the vestry & stewardship committee is putting together three beautiful baskets full of goodies to be raffled at three different times. The first will be raffled at the Stewardship Harvest dinner on Sunday, November 20. The second will be raffled before Christmas, date to be determined. The third basket at our annual meeting next year on February 12.

So far we have received chocolates, wine, several beautiful knit items, a glass beverage set from Mexico and a colorful knit purse. Additional donations are gladly accepted and may be deposited in any of the baskets in the parish hall. Gift certificates are welcomed. Tickets will be available at coffee hour from October through February 12, @ \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. All proceeds will go to help provide assistance to those who desperately need it through Episcopal Relief and Development of the national church.

Some of the projects sponsored by ERD include: mosquito nets, health and sanitation supplies, seeds, animals, school supplies, child and maternal health care, clean water. ERD has also been on the spot in our country to help those devastated by tornadoes, hurricanes and floods.

We will continue to have available at coffee hour a container for you to deposit loose change. All monies collected will be combined with raffle ticket sales to go toward our ERD gift. We have been so richly blessed in our community. Even in a small way, we can help to make a difference in people's lives.

The Stewardship committee,  
Susan Fiala, Pat LaPorte, Hannah Hubbard, Linda Mayer

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As the Stewardship and pledge season begins it is time to consider our pledge for 2012

### ***St. Andrew's Episcopal Church***

#### ***Pledge for 2012***

***In Thanksgiving for God's infinite love, and in gratitude for all God has given to me,  
I/we pledge to return to God this portion of God's bountiful gifts:***

***\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the year, paid \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly***

***To help St. Andrew's operate and carry out our mission in 2012***

***Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_***

***Signature \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_***

***Please mail or deliver to the Church by December 11, 2011***

***Pledge cards will be sent out to members or you may return this to St. Andrew's***

Directions for singing. . . .

*Sing in time. Whatever time is sung be sure to keep with it. Do not run before nor stay behind it; but attend close to the leading voice, and move therewith as exactly as you can; and take care not to sing too slow. This drawling way naturally steals on all who are lazy; and it is high time to drive it out from us, and sing all our tunes just as quick as we did at first.*

*From John Wesley's preface to Sacred Melody, 1761*

## **Calendar for November 2011**

**Nov. 6 – 10 am Morning Prayer Celebrate All Saint's Day**

**Nov. 10 – 4pm Vestry**

**Nov. 13 – 10am Holy Eucharist**

**Nov. 20 – 10am Morning Prayer Stewardship Dinner**

**Nov. 27 – 10am Holy Eucharist**

**No ECW meeting in November**

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