St. Andrew's Signpost

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

May 2013

Bill Shaffer was a grandfather, and grandfathers are special people. Three of his grandsons told stories during his memorial service of the cabin at St. Regis, Montana, many fishing trips, fly tying, other adventures together, and of course his jokes, family poker games and spaghetti dinners. With six grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren he had lots of practice.

Bill and Jeannine came to Chelan to retire and build their home in 1998. A lineman for PUD in Richland he had been in the Chelan area many times as a union representative and labor relations director for PUD. He knew this would be a good place to spend the rest of his life. They also had friends among the PUD family living in the area..

Bill called himself a "high wire walker" or "wire tamer" and provided great joy to family and friends for his 86 years. He will be missed by all at St. Andrew's who knew him.

Vestry Notes......April 11, 2013

Preaching seminar at the Cathedral in Spokane will be attended by Marci Hale. Linda Mayer will join her on the second day.

Outreach: The vestry was asked to think of outreach projects for St. Andrew's to be involved in. It was suggested that we find people in need in our community and work with outreach groups already established in the Chelan area.

The 2013 budget was reviewed and approved.

Vestry approved that \$75 be paid to the Historical Downtown Committee for a flower basket in front of the church.

A contractor has been contacted to work on sprinkler system and dig trench along brick wall to be filled with gravel to protect the foundation area of the Riverwalk Building.

Larry will install a drip system in the planters to avoid water going into the ground and seeping into the church basement.

Looking ahead:

May 5th will be a Cinco de Mayo Saints and Sinners Potluck at the home of Norm and Linda Kuntz. See directions following.

Mother's Day Baptism is planned for Avery Fiala, grand-daughter of Susan Fiala.

Bishop Waggoner will be visiting St. Andrew's on November 17th. Plans will be made to have Harvest Dinner during his visit.

Music will be something different for Pentecost – Plans are in the works.

Out and About.....

Kuntz' Social on the River, Sunday May 5th, after church about 1 pm.

The Saints and Sinners Fellowship group invite you all to a Cinco de Mayo potluck at the Kuntz home on the Columbia River. Please bring a potluck dish, either Mexican or a favorite dish that you would prefer to make – all for a fun afternoon

The Kuntz' live at 13699 Whitebird Place, three miles south of Orondo on Hiwy 97. Look for a Whitebird Place yellow street sign on the highway (and/ or the Episcopal Church logo sign) Turn right onto Whitebird and we are the last house, (ten houses). If you see Estes Fruit Stand on the left on Hiwy 97, you have gone too far and need to turn around. **Phone 884-0755**

The Food Bank has moved into the Eagles Building. It is fully operational. Chelan Fruit designed and constructed a conveyor belt to take food down to the basement and to carry client's food up from the basement. The flow of traffic is a challenge as the Food Bank does not want to block any other business' doorways during open hours

Riverwalk Closet need Spring and Summer Clothing Donations

The Nazarene Church had a collection of used clothing that needed a new home. Several concerned members felt that there was a ministry in the making. By the grace of God, the Chelan Riverwalk Church offered a little house on Okanogan Street that was not being used. Pastor Louis Claasen and many devoted members restored and remodeled the house to display and give away clothing to people in need. Called *Riverwalk Closet*, the little house at 208 Okanogan is open and staffed by volunteers every 1st and 3rd Saturday from 9am to 1pm. People can browse through and select clothing for both children and adults. There are refreshments and smiles available as well.

Riverwalk Closet is running low on summer clothing items – especially for children. As you or your family replace your winter wardrobes with items for warmer weather, be sure to notice if you have shirts or pants that no one will be wearing anymore. Drop clean cast-offs at Chelan Riverwalk Church anytime.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

John McLeod – 3rd
Matthew Kaemingk – 9th
Dave Gellatly – 12th
Mike Clayton – 17th
Nyla Kamphaus – 20th
Judy Thayer – 29th

Orlo & Bev Hill – 24th

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No ECW in May – Please join us in June.

Have you met the Pettits??

Our very own Dave and Betty Pettit live in her parent's Ashmun family home in Manson during the summer months and recently at Sun City West, AZ during the cold months. Both Dave and Betty have the same birthday. Dave grew up in Ferndale, WA. Betty grew up in Manson, was baptized at St. Andrew's and graduated from Chelan High School. Dave and Betty met during their senior year at WSU. Dave had a career as a mechanical and quality engineer, and Betty was an educator. They have lived in Hawaii and in southern California during most of their adult lives. They have a son, Mark, who is an operations engineer at Twitter in San Francisco and a daughter, Sue, who is a pulmonary hypertension nurse for Kaiser in Portland.

Betty serves on the Constitution and Canons Committee for the Diocese of Spokane. She and Dave keep very busy in Chelan helping at the museum, the twice yearly Habitat for Humanity garage sale in Manson and other area projects that they are very quiet about getting credit for. They also host St. Andrew's summertime parish picnic at their lakeside home, which shows off Dave's expertise at the barbeque.

Jesus as Humorist (Continued from April Signpost)

As great men and women step back into history where does their humor go? The Cheshire Cat in *Alice in Wonderland* faded away slowly, its grin vanishing last. It is the reverse with our heroes – the smile vanishes first.

Lincoln as a humanitarian and statesman is famous throughout the world, but relatively few people know him as the great humorist and irrepressible clown that he was.

And Jesus – what about him? Had he any humor? Did he ever laugh? Did he ever make other people laugh? It is almost impossible to tell. We are inhibited. He has been worshiped for twenty centuries: and time and awe have done their work on him.

To begin with what indications are there in the Gospels that Jesus ever laughed at life? Did he like Chaucer and Mark Twain, observe and enjoy the quirks and inconsistencies of human nature, the whole happy spectacle of humanity doing all the entertaining things that come naturally to it?

There are many characters, closely observed and sharply etched, going about their business in the stories Jesus tells. A man finds his way like a homing pigeon to the top-ranking seat at a banquet. (Luke 14:7-8.Children complain because their friends won't play the game they want. (Matthew 11:16-17). A young man sulks over the present his father has given to his younger brother. (Luke 15:28-30). A lazy son makes promises to his father that he has no intention of keeping (Matthew 21:29). A man nods his head approvingly over a cup of old wine. (Luke 5:39). Guests make last minute excuses to get out of a dinner invitation. (Luke 14:18-20

People with religious pretensions come under especially sharp observation. Here is one thanking God that, unlike some others he could mention, he is a good man. (Luke 18;11-12) Here is one having a trumpet blown when he makes a donation to charity; another praying with deep and conspicuous concentration on a street corner; another wearing a long, hungry face during a fast. (Matthew 6; 2,5,16). And a whole crowd strutting in long robes with wide borders, walking where everyone will be sure to notice them and be impressed. (Matthew 23; 5-7).

Jesus seems to take joy in piling up images – so much so that one can imagine a listener who savors this kind of thing asking himself in fascinated wonder what on earth is coming next!

Calendar May 2013

May 5.....Holy Eucharist 10 AM

May 9.....Vestry 5 PM

May 12...Holy Eucharist 10AM - Baptism

May 19...Holy Eucharist 10 AM

May 26...Holy Eucharist 10 AM

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