



The Messenger

June 2021

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Priest Musings

"Ordinary Time"

This is what we call the long, green season from the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost to the end of November when Advent begins. The lectionary for Sunday Scriptures focuses not on pivotal moments of Jesus' life on earth but rather on his ministry and his teachings. Be listening for what you might need to learn for your growth in faith. It is green for growing! It is green to remind us that we are wonderfully alive in Christ.

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" 2 Corinthians 5:17



This newness is ongoing all through our lives as we learn to love more, forgive often, judge less and bring a healing word to the world. Imagine if you will, as the dry season of summer approaches and the threat of 'wildfire looms', both as physical fire and spiritual strife that rage. Imagine that you and I are a kind of oasis. Ideally, all who follow Jesus are nourished by "living waters" that come from the Spirit of God. So while the world around us swirls with confusion and the struggle to find meaning and peace, we find our peace in knowing Christ and the love of God. We find our refreshment in coming together to worship. We find that the kingdom of God is at hand and that hope and love are real things. In the green season we remember God's desire that we keep growing into image bearers of the Son of God. There is nothing "Ordinary" about a time such as this!

See you Sunday! *Rev. Patti+*

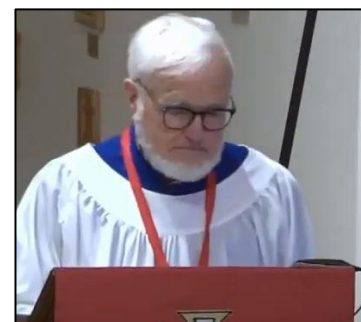
Coos Food Cupboard

For the month of June, donations of toilet paper are requested. Volunteers and stocking crew members are also always appreciated and if you feel so called to serve, please let Diana Schab know by emailing d.schab@gmail.com. Thank you!

Name Tags

Whether it be for our new members to feel more comfortable or maybe because you wouldn't recognize Pat Cross with that big full beard he has now, we ask that you wear your nametags as more and more we gather in-person for worship and fellowship. ☺

Nametags are hanging from racks outside the undercroft as you enter the church. If you need a new nametag or your nametag needs updated, please let Kerri in the office know.



**Pat
Cross, is
that
you??**



Hospitality Guild

Greetings Emmanuel Family!

Thank you to everyone who stepped forward for the Hospitality Guild! Our first meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 5th, at 11:00 am in the undercroft. Going forward, we will resume meeting monthly on the first Saturday of each month.

The first meeting we'll be off to a blazing start as we need to plan for an end-of-June BBQ to celebrate Rev. Patti's transition from "Priest in Charge" to "Rector." We'll also be discussing future events and the gifts of each guild member.

To recap, the Hospitality Guild will be active in (but not limited to) the following ministries:

- o Sunday dinner (themed potluck once per month in the undercroft)
- o Meals and flowers for the homebound
- o Coffee Hour
- o Quarterly workshops on all things edible and aesthetic

Please plan to join us for the kick off meeting of this exciting new ministry!

Saturday, June 5th, 11:00 am in the undercroft.

Be there or be square!

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Godly Play on ZOOM with Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

Children of all ages (and their families!) are invited to a live Godly Play on Zoom, every Sunday at 1:00 PM. Each week, they will have a live story told by Charissa Simmons and the Trinity Godly Play teachers, some wondering time, prayer, and optional work time together.

To sign up, visit here: <https://www.trinity-episcopal.org/events-1/godly-play-on-zoom>

From the Diocese of Oregon: Nominations for Diocesan Leadership Positions are now open!!

Do you want to help support the mission and ministry of the Diocese of Oregon? Should you or someone in the Diocese you know help shape the future of The Episcopal Church in Western Oregon? Who is at the table matters when decisions are being made.

Please stand for election or nominate someone to stand for election for one of our governing bodies: Standing Committee, Board of Trustees, Diocesan Council, Trinity Cathedral Chapter.

You can read more about the positions and submit your nomination by following the link below.

The deadline for submission is July 8, 2021.

<https://diocese-oregon.org/convention-nominations-2021/>





Coffee Hour with the Bishop

Join Bishop Akiyama for an hour of conversation and fellowship with others in your Convocation this summer. Please be sure to register for the Coffee Hour ahead of time, as the link and passcode to the Zoom call will be emailed to you through the registration. Link for the South Coast Convocation is available below -- please share the registration link (not the log-in link or passcode) with others in your congregation so they too may register for this event.

The following dates and times have been reserved:

Central - June 13, 12:00 pm
 Columbia - June 13, 1:30 pm
 Metro-East - June 20, 12:00 pm
South Coast - July 11, 12:00 pm
 Southern - July 11, 1:30 pm
 Sunset - July 18, 12:00 pm
 Willamette - July 18, 1:30 pm

As a note of precaution: please remember to never share the direct zoom call link on Facebook or social media.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/tZItdeurpjsEtOFdZFIY7QqVmnHD-WzqtKl>

Top 10 Reasons to be an Episcopalian

10. No snake handling.
9. You can believe in dinosaurs.
8. Male and female God created them; male and female we ordain them.
7. Questions are welcome.
6. Pew aerobics.
5. Church year is color-coded.
4. All of the pageantry -- none of the guilt.
3. The only thing we take literally is "Coffee Hour."
2. You don't have to know how to swim to get baptized.

And the Number One reason to be an Episcopalian:

1. No matter what you believe, there's bound to be at least one other Episcopalian who agrees with you.





Yard Boys

Every week the Yard Boys, Al Rumsch and Doug Laird, volunteer their time to maintain the church grounds. Recently, after many years of mowing around a large stump, it was decided that it was time for it to go. They dug around the stump until they were able to secure a cable around it and, using the winch on Dave Laird's pickup, they were able to pull the stump from the ground.

As they completed this removal, the Yard Boys wondered about the history of that tree:

When was the tree planted?

Who planted it?

Who cut it down?

Why and when was it cut down?

If you know anything about that tree stump and the tree that once stood there, they would love to share its story! If you are able to offer any information, the Yard Boys have a special gift/prize for whoever shares it. Just let Kerri in the office know.

There are many other small projects that the Yard Boys would appreciate help with this year. If you feel called to donate your time to keeping Emmanuel's grounds beautiful, please contact Al (541-294-5989) or Doug (541-297-8196).



June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Payton Davidson Birthday - June 1

Erin Donley Birthday - June 11

Dave & Terrye Laird Anniversary - June 12

Myrle Ellingsen Birthday - June 14

Adam Robertson Birthday - June 16

Jill Davidson Birthday - June 29

*****July Newsletter Submissions Deadline is Friday, June 25th*****