



The Dragon Scoop

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The Episcopal Church Welcomes You



Mission Statement:
“Loving God, Loving Our
Neighbors”

Beginning Our Search

Mark on your calendar Saturday, October 21, at 10 a.m. There will be a meeting with Canon Neysa Ellgren Shepley from the Diocese of Oregon and Susan Ladue, our congregational development facilitator, to discuss the next procedures for beginning our search to call a new rector for St. George’s. The meeting will be held in the church sanctuary.

All church/parish/congregation members are invited and urged to attend to offer their input.

Lunch will be served. There will be a signup sheet in the Parish Hall. Please indicate if you are coming so we will know how many to prepare lunch for.

~ Pete Benham, Senior Warden

Canon to the Ordinary Neysa Ellgren Shepley has been a priest since 1998. She has a doctorate in congregational development, and one of her duties is working with diocesan congregations to find them the resources they need to flourish.

(A canon is a member of the clergy on the staff of a cathedral or bishop, while a Canon to the Ordinary is specific to the Bishop's office—a staff officer who performs tasks as assigned by the Ordinary, or Diocesan Bishop.)

Background:

Susan Ladue met with St. George parishioners on Saturday, September 16. Pete Benham reported on the 21-person meeting in church the next day. He said that Susan gave a recap of our earlier meetings and then assured the group that there is a rector out there for St. George’s—somebody who wants us and somebody we need. Susan asked for the whole parish to come into the October meeting with open hearts and minds, ready to give all our honest input.

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Rector's Letter

Dear friends,

Or as St. Paul wrote to the church in Corinth, Dear fellow-workers,

All Christians are baptized to be fellow-workers with Christ, through the Church.

What does that mean? It means that we are to offer love and forgiveness to all whom we encounter, as best we can. It means that we share with others, as best we can, the good news of God in Christ. It means that we are supposed to thoughtfully manage our lives.

And what might it mean to “thoughtfully manage our lives?” We all have varied responsibilities, resources, and opportunities.

Responsibilities:

- (1) Our first duty is to care for ourselves, not out of selfishness, but out of the knowledge that we can't do much loving if we don't take care of ourselves. We care for our health: spiritual, mental, and physical. Then we care for others. Sometimes Christians are called to risk (or give) their health or their lives for the sake of others or the Gospel. But that does not come up for most of us.
- (2) Then, we are to care for those close to us: family, friends, church, co-workers, etc.
- (3) Third, we are to care for anybody and everybody in the world (and the world itself) as we can.

Resources:

We all have resources. They start with our physical and mental abilities. They include the strengths of our relationships and influence on others. They include our income and other financial and material resources.

Opportunities:

After we care for ourselves and those close to us, and after we meet our responsibilities to our dependents, family, church and civic duties (i.e. taxes) and estate planning, we still have more resources. Those resources include time, talents, influence, property, and money. We get to manage them for the sake of God, for the sake of love for all our neighbors. Our neighbors are anyone and everyone.

For me and Pam, St. George's has a major claim on our time and money, beyond the duties that come with my paycheck. Many who read this are generous with time and money for St. George's. Many can do better. Most of us also give generously of our time and money for many goods beyond St. George's. We are good citizens of our hometowns, our state, country, and world.

If you are like me, it is challenging to decide how I spend my time, money, energy, and influence. I can only do a fraction of what I wish I could do, for myself, my family, my church, and my neighbors. So I make my choices, and trust God for the rest. And God is good. All the time.

In Christ,
Fr. Jim+

Coming Soon

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 1 at 2 p.m.

Ford Childhood Enrichment Center, Umpqua Community College

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. All leashed, caged, and bridled animals welcomed! Sponsored by the Umpqua Valley Humane Society. Donations accepted.

ECW Tools to Treasures Sale

Friday, October 6 — 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 7 — 9 a.m. to noon

The sale will include lots of “fine and fancy” items. Fill a bag with clothes for only \$1.00 on Saturday. Tell all your friends!

Safe Haven Maternity Home

4th Annual Baby Shower Event

October 7 at 1 p.m.

If you missed last year’s shower for the young mothers of Safe Haven, you have another chance to attend this October. We can help out the new mothers this year by giving them such needed things as baby, laundry, and personal care items. For more information contact Rebecca Gremillion at 541-670-0947. The event will be held at 2165 Garden Valley Blvd. in Roseburg.

It was a blessing to attend last year’s shower and meet the young women and their mentors. Don’t miss this one!

Æbleskiver Breakfast

Sunday, October 15 — 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Join our Lutheran brothers and sisters for this traditional Danish pancake/donut treat. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the FISH Pantry.

2017 Stampfest and Coin Show

Saturday, October 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

You may not know that the Umpqua Valley Stamp Club meets at St. George Episcopal Church. Their upcoming Stampfest and Coin Show, held in the Parish Hall, is free to attend. There will be door prizes and free appraisals, with five dealers present. Come see what it’s all about!

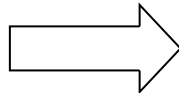
Parish News



This time the *Dragon Scoop* was able to capture some exciting moments when four Episcopalians changed lightbulbs on September 20. Bill Riley was the intrepid man on the ladder, supported by Pete Benham, Doug Holloway, and Bob Spielman. The new bulbs are expected to last 22 years. Kudos, gentlemen!

See the video on Facebook at www.facebook.com/episcopalroseburg

Thanks to Charles Van Sickle for his work in maintaining the church grounds.



Parish News



Kathy Glockner hosted her **Annual Belgian Waffle Feast** after church on September 17. The breakfast is a fund raiser for both St. George and Wilbur United Methodist and brought in \$126 for each church.

Thanks to Pam Boston for her wonderful photos.

Parish News

There was so much interest in David Jackson's salad that he has agreed to share the recipe with the Dragon Scoop. This family dish was created by David's mother, Katie Jackson.

Summer Delight

Slice **cucumbers** and **tomatoes** in equal amounts into a bowl.

Slice an **onion** and place in the bowl.

Salt the mixture, tasting it regularly, and mix it with your hands until it is salted to your satisfaction.

Do the same procedure with **sugar**.

Add **vinegar** (I like dark vinegar, but white vinegar works, too). Mix thoroughly and test regularly until you have an amount of vinegar to your satisfaction.

Finally, add 1 to 2 tbsp of **cooking oil**. Once again, mix and taste to your satisfaction.

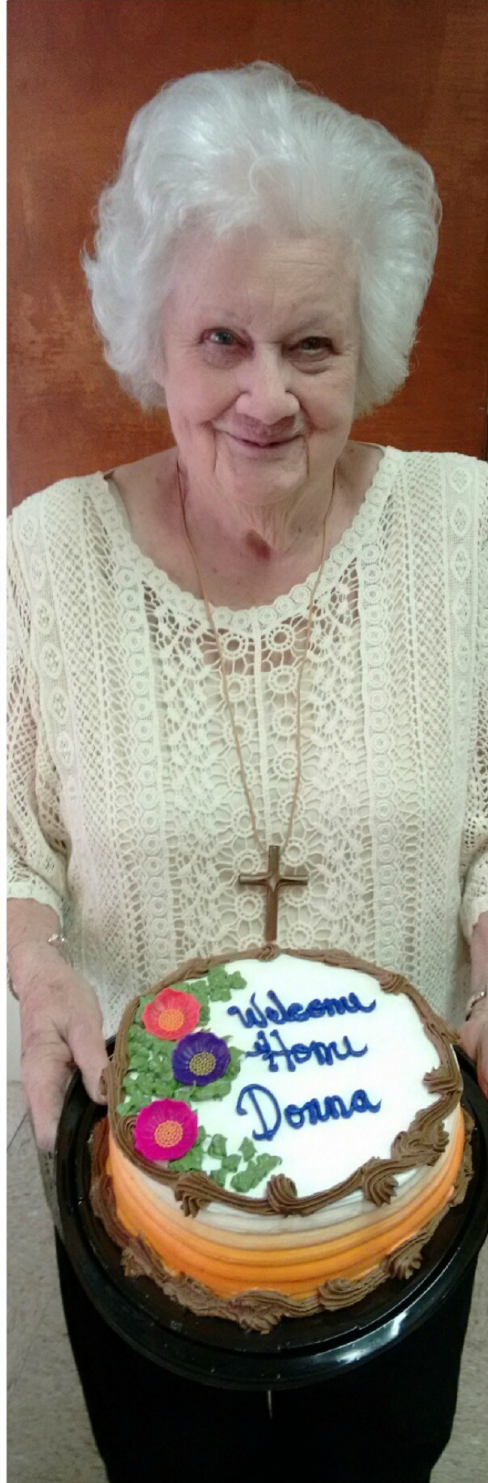
I think it tastes best to cover the bowl and let it cool in the refrigerator. This gives it a good chance to let all the flavors mix together.



Take a look at the head of the stairs to the choir loft. Our brothers and sisters of Holy Cross Orthodox Church have provided a restful area for prayer and meditation for their congregation.



Welcome, Donna!



On September 24 we were delighted to welcome back Donna Litherland (center), our former Senior Warden at St. George's. Father Jim Boston presided over a joyous service, and the choir sang for the first time after a summer hiatus.

Top left: Choir in the foreground. Barry Boston is the crucifer. Top right: Gospel reading. Middle left: Nolan Pullen enjoys Father Jim's sermon. Middle right: Blessings for 63 years of marriage for Connie and Wally Hunnicut. Bottom: Food and fellowship.

Thanks to Pete Benham for the beautiful photo of Donna.

Episcopal Church Women

By Betty Jo Hoffman

First ECW Meeting

We had a small group for our first meeting of the season; however, we enjoyed good conversation and wonderful food at Jewell Gates's home.

A couple of concerns we discussed were how to display our Fine & Fancy items at the Tools to Treasures/Fine & Fancy Sale and what could we do to replace the biannual sale. Our number of available members is dwindling. We have considered a pie/cake auction, silent auction of special items, and a mystery dinner. We would appreciate any ideas you might have.

Remember, the Tools to Treasures/Fine & Fancy Sale setup will be October 1-5. Please bring your items starting Monday, October 2, if at all possible. The sale will be Friday, October 6, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (***please note the new time***) and Saturday, October 7, 9 a.m. to noon. Pack up will start at noon or as soon as tables are emptied by customers. The Salvation Army will be there at 12:30 to pick up leftover items, but there will only be one person so we will need lots of help to take items out to their truck. Then we will clean up and put the Parish Hall back in order. Your help, donations, and purchases are always needed and appreciated.

Our next meeting will be October 19 at 11 a.m. in the Parish Hall. We hope to have someone from the Boys & Girls Club as our speaker.

~ B J Hoffman, Co-President

FISH Report

The next Roseburg Food Project neighborhood collection is Saturday, October 14.

Cascade Community Credit Union will host a Fall Carnival at their Harvard Branch, on Saturday, October 21 from 12-4 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Roseburg Food Project. This free event (accepting canned food and monetary donations) will be fun for the whole family, with games, face painting, a bounce house, giveaways and raffles, pumpkin painting, and more! Donations brought to the Sutherlin Branch will be donated to the local Sutherlin/Oakland Food Pantry.

The Fall Food Drive for the FISH of Roseburg will be held Saturday October 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at local Roseburg grocery stores, including Sherm's Thunderbird, Fred Meyer, Albertsons, Safeway, and Grocery Outlet. Volunteers from St. George will be needed to staff collection tables.

The Food Pantry is especially in need of volunteer help on Thursday mornings. Here is a good opportunity for service to the community.

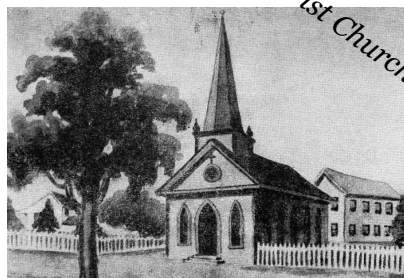
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Cathedrals of the World

by Doug Holloway



Christ Church Cathedral, Houston, Texas



Christ Church in 1847

The Episcopal Church was founded in Houston in 1839 but work on the first building did not commence until 1845. By the time the building was consecrated in 1847 it was already too small due to the rapid increase of the population of Houston.

The cornerstone of a new building was laid in 1859. As the structure was being laid out, a cattleman driving a herd of cattle stopped to ask what they were doing. When told a church was being built, he roped a steer and gave it as a contribution. A steer's head is now part of the Diocesan Seal.



The Civil War slowed construction but in 1866 it was reported that the building would soon be ready for consecration. However, this building was also deemed too small and an enlargement was added and completed by Easter, 1876. When builders tried to connect a new cloister to the 1876 structure, a portion of that building collapsed. The vestry borrowed funds to rebuild and the first service in the present church was held on Christmas Eve, 1893.

In 1938, an adjacent building caught fire and flames caused the roof over the altar to collapse. One fireman, a Roman Catholic, sprayed the rood screen with water and the screen stands today with only minor charring visible. A new organ, to replace the one destroyed in the fire, was installed in 1939 and after several enlargements over the years now has 4,470 pipes.



In 1949, Christ Church, the mother to many Episcopal churches in Texas, became the cathedral church of the Diocese of Texas. From its founding, Christ Church served many religions and the first rector conducted funerals for Roman Catholics and weddings for Jews.

The only damage from Hurricane Harvey that the Cathedral suffered was flooding in the Jones Building basement level.



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There are lots of opportunities this month to provide altar flowers or fellowship refreshments. Sign up in the Parish Hall or give the Office a call.

St. George Episcopal Church publishes THE DRAGON SCOOP monthly. If you would like something to be considered for the newsletter please talk to Leigh Van Sickle. E-mailed articles and photographs can be sent to saintgeorgepix@gmail.com.

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Interim Rector: The Rev. James Boston
Senior Warden: Pete Benham
Junior Warden: Steve Thomas
Treasurer: Kathy Glockner

OFFICE HOURS
10:00 am—2:00 pm
Monday through Friday

ST. GEORGE WORSHIP

Sunday
10:00 am

Holy Eucharist
or Morning Prayer

