



SAINTS ALIVE!

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Welcome Back
Picnic & BBQ
September 11th



Father Joe's Morning Ride: The Braid

I am sitting quietly in my office as I often do in the mornings, before the activities of the day begin. It is a gentle time. Sweet grass burning coupled with the Book of Common Prayer, a daily reminder of the duality and blending of my Spirit Journey.

This morning, fresh, new sweet grass braids lay on the table...a gift from a friend's trip to Centralia. The room is full of the scent of prayerful thanksgiving. The Sweetgrass Braid, at the same time, both sacrificial and life sustaining.

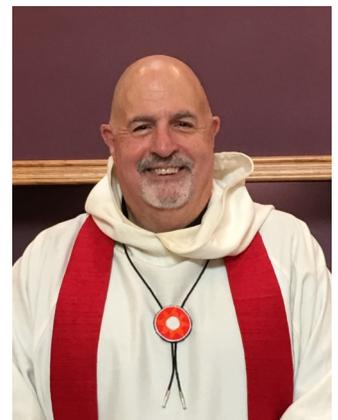
As one watches the smoke rise from a Sweetgrass braid, the same interesting pattern always emerges. At first the smoke rises linearly, straight up in a fine, narrow line. Then the smoke begins to swirl and dance always seeking and finding the rhythm of the space. Finding a resonance, creating a Blessedness.

The Braid is a powerful symbol for us. Three strands; when separated and individual they are weak...when they are braided together they become ferociously strong. Collectively the three strands of the Braid: Self, Family and Community create the balance and the strength to propel our Spirit Journey forward.

For me, our beloved All Saints Community is the third strand of the Braid. Sacred, centering and joy-filled, our All Saints Circle creates the "Sacred Space" that we take out into the world to do what the Creator has for us to do. To "Be a Blessing" to those who we meet and travel with for a minute, a day, a week or for all Eternity. Be a Blessing. Make each place, each conversation, each person that we are gifted with, just a little bit better, simply because we were there. The grounding and security of the Braid; Self, Family and Community...all wrapped tightly in the Creator's Love, provide the stability and strength for us to keep moving forward on the Spirit Path.

Our beloved Community stands before you now asking for your help and support. We need us all...to help us all...stay strong...to remain...to sustain...and to do. Help us keep the Braid tied tight...strong, fresh and ferociously loving. May the words of our Elder's guide us:

"We understand who we are...
We know where we came from...
We accept and understand our destiny
here on Mother Earth.
We are Spirits taking a human journey."



Blessings and Enjoy the Ride. Father Joe

From the Senior Warden

Dear Friends,

After the lazy days of summer, I always find fall to be full and invigorating. So much happens in our personal and church worlds. Children go back to school, some folks migrate to warmer weather, God's children grace us on the soccer field and we all gear up for colder weather. At All Saints, we celebrate our special day and begin to prepare for Thanksgiving and Advent. Time flies! Whatever is going on in your household, I hope you pause with me to reflect on the wonderful activities at All Saints. A Stewardship campaign is an excellent time to recommit our energy, time and financial resources to the future of All Saints. I look forward to hearing your stories and being amazed.

BUSINESS

I haven't done this section in a while, but thought an update might be useful.

- Accounting system – Our treasurer, Carol Sanza continues to learn our new system. Currently, we are trying to streamline reports. We have a new Finance Committee who will make recommendations to the BC.
- Annual report – This year the report will NOT contain individual ministry reports. Instead those will be in our newsletter on a rotating basis. Your hand out will contain financial information and updates on our Mutual Ministry Plan. Stay tuned as we fine tune this package.
- Bishops' Committee – We are beginning to seek interested people to serve on this committee. The term starts in February and is a three year commitment. Please talk to Father Joe or myself if you have an interest.

As always if you have any questions or concerns I am happy to listen!

From our Daily Devotions. Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Vicki



Stewardship Season

Autumn is upon us. The kids are back in school and the weather is -- confusing! It is time to turn our thoughts to stewardship. Exciting things have happened at All Saints; we have called a new priest and started new ministries. So, where to begin? With gratitude for all that God has given us and with a recognition of God's desire for us to share what we have been given. As you prayerfully consider your pledge and your offering of time and talent, take a moment to reflect on what we have been given and by Whom. Read over the Mutual Ministry summary in your stewardship packet and reflect on All Saints' ministries to the community and our church family.

If you didn't get a stewardship packet call me or the office and we will see that you get one. The blessing of pledges and time and talent offerings will be on October 30, 2016, the Sunday closest to All Saints Day this year. Pledges and time and talent sheets can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the office or dropped off at the office starting right now! Please contact me or any member of the stewardship committee (Sheridan Curtis, Jon Metts, Sydney Reisbick, Tom Williams) if you have question regarding the stewardship campaign. As is the All Saints' tradition, your pledge is confidential. It is between you and God.

God's blessing on all of us, Tom Williams

Winter Hospitality Overflow is Soon!

We need volunteers to take one or more shifts during the week of November 13-19, for our turn at St. Andrew's Family shelter. We'll also volunteer in the New Year at the men's shelter. This is a priceless opportunity to minister to the "least of these." Family volunteers are welcome for the St. Andrews week - you'd be surprised at how many people living on the streets are kids - and giving your children the opportunity to interact with these kids sends powerful messages both ways. Other ways to help include doing laundry (bedding), and filling the supply cupboard - no guest leaves the shelter without a breakfast and a sack lunch. Although the shelter does not serve formal dinners, we always have some snacks on hand for those who need them. Last year I remember well a mother who had taken busses from Gresham to her four children's various schools, then to a counseling session, and finally to St. Andrews. This schedule meant that neither she nor the kids had eaten before they arrived at about 8:30. She headed first to the refrigerator and cupboards to see what she could put together for her kids to eat. What if the cupboard had been bare?

Men's Breakfast Revival

For whatever reason, it seems somewhat difficult for men to gather together for something other than sports or politics, especially when there might be a spiritual component to the meeting. We are in the process of an attempt to try to provide an opportunity for the men of All Saints to come together and enjoy each other's company in a slightly structured setting.

For several years, a group of men from All Saints would gather one Saturday a month to share breakfast and fellowship. When I first became aware of this ministry, Rob Ash would cook our breakfast in the All Saints kitchen and we all had the opportunity to "sit around and tell lies" and really enjoy each other's company. As any of you who have ever put together a meeting with a meal, there is a lot of work involved. As time went by, it became enough of a chore that we decided to meet at various restaurants in the area once a month. It wasn't really the same and attendance dwindled. It was not fault of anyone, but it just happened.

Now, enter Fr. Joe.... He and I were talking and solving the problems of the world when I mentioned to him this fellowship that the men had engaged in at one time. Knowing how difficult it often is to establish a link that works with a group of guys, Fr. Joe asked me to look at seeing if we can re-create some of what we had working for us in the past. I talked with a few of those who had been involved in the Men's Breakfast events in the past and decided to see if we could make it happen again. I thought it best to avoid burning folks out by making the food at the Church. Al Manning had turned me on to Nayhely's Place at 9106 NE Highway 99.

Nayhely's Place has good food and is fairly near the Church. We are meeting there at 8:30 Saturday morning, September 17. With those who are there, we will decide how best to proceed to make a monthly meeting of the men of All Saints something that works for all of us. All ideas for making this ministry work will be considered. I am very hopeful that we can establish a gathering that will work and benefit the men of All Saints. Please consider supporting this attempt at growing a fledgling ministry into one that has a positive impact at All Saints. -Dan Haase

HALOS

- ✘ Thank you to Carol Burckhardt for arranging for organ service and paying for the repairs. Thank you to others who contributed to future piano/organ maintenance!
- ✘ Thank you to Joe Astleford on behalf of his brother Kerry, for his donation of Fr. Joe's new computer and upgrades to our technology!
- ✘ Thank you to Dan Haase for his donation of a shelter and cooler for our soccer ministry members!
- ✘ Thank you to Sharon Ackermann for creating the new Wednesday evening Prayer booklets!



Support Homeless Students

(in all Vancouver Public Schools)



Sixth Fund-Raiser Oct 20, 4-7pm

Buy Supper & HOPE* Gets Percentage of Sales

Burgerville Central Park

In-Store & Drive-Thru

Fourth Plain @ Ft Vancouver Way

Sponsored by St Luke's/San Lucas Episcopal Church

[*Homeless Outreach Promoting Education]



Don't forget!
Our All-Parish Workday for the

Church Interior is Saturday, October 15th from 8:30-11:30 am.

Episcopal Cursillo of Oregon and SW Washington
Grand Ultreya and Potluck
for all congregations



Meet the new Cursillo folks and reconnect with people you know, to sing, share, laugh, listen, and eat. Bring potluck to share.

Saturday, October 29, 2016 11am – 2pm
Held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church
822 Washington St., Oregon City, OR 97045

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What is the Order of St. Luke?

The Order of St Luke is offering an introduction via videos:

- St Luke's Vancouver is offering the videos the next 10 weeks from 6:30 PM until 8:00 PM,
- Church of the Good Shepherd is offering the introductory video series starting October 4th from 6:30 PM until 8:00 PM.

SOCCER SEASON

Many of you have said you'd be happy to help out distributing cookies and water to our littlest guests on Saturday soccer days. Bless you for volunteering - BUT - it would make life so much simpler if you'd actually put your name on the dotted line and commit to a particular day and morning or afternoon shift. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board. If you want a reminder call or text or email, please put your phone number and/or email address by your name and we'll make sure you get one. The last day of fall soccer is November 5 - so your window of opportunity is closing fast. AND REMEMBER - WE ALWAYS NEED COOKIES. Thanks to our bakers so far -

and special thanks to Joe A. who has provided us with some Gluten-Free treats for those who otherwise would go away from the cookie table without.

~Candy Weatherby

October Birthdays:

Remington S.	October 3
Martha S.	October 8
Dick W.	October 9
Derick S.	October 12
Sharon M.	October 17
Sheridan C.	October 19
Ruth L.	October 20
Nico P.	October 24
Ralph B.	October 31

October Anniversaries:

Jon & Sharon M. October 5

All Saints Ministry Schedule: October 2016

SCRIPTURES	Pentecost 20 Oct. 2	Pentecost 21 Oct. 9	Pentecost 22 Oct. 16	Pentecost 23 Oct. 23	Pentecost 24 Oct. 30
1ST LESSON	Lamentations 1:1-6, OR Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4	Jeremiah 29:1, 4 -7 OR 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7 -15c	Jeremiah 31:27-34 or Genesis 32:22-31	Joel 2:23-32 OR Sirach 35:12-17 or Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 OR Isaiah 1:10-18
PSALM	Psalm 37:1-10	Psalm 66:1-11 OR Psalm 111	Psalm 119:97-104 or Psalm 121	Psalm 65 or Psalm 84:1-6	Psalm 119:137-144 or Psalm 32:1-8
2ND LESSON	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
GOSPEL	Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14	Luke 19:1-10
SUNDAYS 9 AM					
Altar Setup	Sheridan	Sydney	Martha	Pat	Fiona
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Fiona/Mona	Jon/Alice	Sheryl/Candy	Mona/Sheridan	Fiona/Rob
First Lesson/ Psalm	Candy	Sharon M	Dick Woods	Carol B	Remington S
Second Lesson	Ann H.	Alice W	Sheryl	Matt P.	Elizabeth S
Ushers	Rob	Tom W	Vicki	Candy	Tom
Greeters	Kitty	Martha S	Alice	Vicki S	Scovel family
Sunday School	Beth	Matt	Sheridan	Beth	Matt
Nursery	Kitty	Martha	Alice	Kitty	Martha
Coffee Hour/ Potluck Team	Martha/CarolS/ Margaret/Elise/ Joe	Sydney/Carol B/ Linda/Candy	Kitty/Rob/ Vicki/Mona	Susan/Alice/ Tom/Bart	Martha/CarolS/ Margaret/Elise/ Joe

Each Wednesday, Evening Prayer 6:30 p.m.
followed by Wed. Evening Adult Study until 8:30 p.m.
(mid-September through May)

Worship Leaders: Rob A., Suzanne P., Martha S.

October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Soccer Ministry 9 am AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 9:30 pm
2 Holy Eucharist 9 am Potluck	3 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	4 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	5 Evening Prayer 6:00 pm 2nd Look 6:30 pm Traveling Day Society 7:30 pm AA: 11:30 - 1:30	6 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	7 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	8 Soccer Ministry 9 am AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5:30 - 9:30 pm
9 Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour Bishop's Committee Mtg. 10:45 am	10 BIN Layette Assembly 2 pm AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	11 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	12 Parish Life Mtg. 1:30 Evening Prayer 6:00 pm 2nd Look 6:30 pm Traveling Day Society 7:30 pm AA: 11:30 - 1:30	13 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	14 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	15 All Parish Workday 8-30 -11:30am Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Soccer Ministry 9 am AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 9:30 pm
16 Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour Saints' Alive! Deadline	17 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	18 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	19 Evening Prayer 6:00 pm 2nd Look 6:30 pm Traveling Day Society 7:30 pm AA: 11:30 - 1:30	20 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	21 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	22 Soccer Ministry 9 am AA 6:30 - 9:30 pm
23/30 Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour	24/31 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	25 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	26 Evening Prayer 6:00 pm 2nd Look 6:30 pm Traveling Day Society 7:30 pm AA: 11:30 - 1:30	27 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	28 AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	29 Soccer Ministry 9 am