

St. John's Journal

October 2017

St. John's Contacts

BAC

Senior Warden Denise Skillman

Junior Warden Tom Glunt

Secretary Kathy Webb

Treasurer Kay Marino

Members at Large:

Laurea Arnoldt

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Priest The Rev. Eileen Heden

Office Hours: Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m.

Church Administrator: Virginia

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Office Hours: Tuesdays, 2-6 p.,m.

Worship Schedule

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

10/1 17th Sun. of Pentecost

10/8 St. Francis of Assisi/
Blessing of the Pets

10/15 19th Sun. of Pentecost

10/22 20th Sun. of Pentecost

10/29 21st Sunday of
Pentecost

THE PERFECT CHURCH

If you should find the perfect church
Without one fault or smear,
For goodness sake! Don't
join that church;
You'd spoil the atmosphere.

If you should find the perfect church
Where all anxieties cease
Then pass it by, lest joining
it
You'd mar the masterpiece.

If you should find the perfect church
Then don't you ever dare,
To tread upon such holy
ground;
You'd be a misfit there.

But since no perfect church exists
Made of imperfect men,
Then let's cease looking for
that church
And love the church we're
in.

Of course, it's not a perfect church,
That's simple to discern
But you and I and all of us
Could cause the tide to
turn.

What fools we are to flee
our post
In that unfruitful search
To find at last where problems loom
God proudly builds His church.

So let's keep working in
our church
Until the resurrection.
And then we each will join
that church
Without an imperfection.

[Mavis Williams -- from Aiken Drum]

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Oct. 10: Birthday, Debra Pierson

Oct. 15: Birthday, Cynthia

Mohorko

Oct. 22: Anniversary, Wailani &

Mike Reep

Oct. 27: Birthday, Mary Garrett

McKay's Market Receipts

McKay's receipts can earn a rebate for St. John! If you can bring in your cash register receipts from June 2017 to the present, the Episcopal Church Women can receive 1% of the total value of your purchase. Just place them in the drawer in the hall marked MCKAYS RECEIPTS.

We just submitted receipts from May, June, July and August totaling over \$2,500. This means \$25 will be sent to St. John's ECW towards outreach projects.

Save those receipts and drop them off; we can put them to good use.

God bless you,

ECW

The Pastor's Musings

Newsletter October 2017

Isn't it hard to believe that it is really Fall, and soon will be Halloween? Meeting with several of our ECW women while making orange and black paper chains was a lot of fun. Also, this month, we will celebrate St. Francis Day with the Blessing of Animals. I always enjoy this activity. These wonderful pets that bring so much joy into our lives are a gift from God. I believe they provide the best example of God's unconditional love. You are invited to bring your pet to Church on Sunday, October 8th. I will happily bless them, but if you bring the reptile variety, I may have to ask you to hold them while I do their blessing!

Later in the month, I am told we will dress up for Halloween and pass out treats to the children who come by the church. What fun that will be! I'm sure all of us have memories of costumes we particularly enjoyed back in the day – back when we scrounged around for something to repurpose into a costume. Creating our own character was part of the fun! I confess I have always felt a little sorry for those children who kept meeting mirror images of themselves on the streets wearing the same store bought costumes.

Then, on the very next day, we will honor those who are now in the great cloud of witnesses (Hebrews 12:1) watching

us and cheering us on in our own struggles as we seek to become more like Jesus. We will honor them with a candle lit service, remembering each of those we love who are now with our Lord.

We have so very much for which to be grateful. I, for one, am grateful to be back in Oregon and also to be so much at home at St. John Episcopal Church. I am impressed with the energy that all of you bring to worship. It is a blessing to be among so many dedicated and faithful Christians. With the help of members of our Convocation, we sent many school supplies to the elementary school this month. I know that several of you have already found places to serve in the community. I feel sure that we will continue to find ways to bless our community as we learn the needs of those less fortunate than ourselves. Many of you have joined in to take a turn at the Saturday Market to keep River's Blessings Booth open while Marilyn Pratt is recovering. Thanks so much for taking part in what has turned out to be a fun ministry.

We have begun our Bible Exploration Classes on Wednesdays at 3:00 and 7:00 pm. We are learning how to use various study aids to dig deeper into the stories and to learn more about the times, the authors, and the reasons why those texts were written. You are welcome to join in at any time.

We have a lot to look forward to as we move into fall at St. John.

Blessings,

Rev. Eileen

Candy! Halloween! Trick or Treat!

Don't forget to pick up an extra bag of treats for us to hand out on Halloween when the neighborhood children come to St. John's for their treats! A few bags of yum-mies have already begun to accumulate on the counter on the north wall of the kitchen (the wall that backs up to Theresa Hall).

As the day draws close, you may want to bring a few apples, as these are popular also. Small apples for small hands and mouths are always a hit.

We will also probably serve hot cider and, maybe, coffee – the latter, of course, for the grown-ups.

If you have never participated in the annual Halloween party, you might enjoy greeting these well-behaved, cute kids and their parents. Dressing up is not required, but it is fun to be a kid again and create a costume. Watch for more on the time for the party on October 31!



A Riddle from the St. John's Medical Loan Closet

What do apples and durable medical equipment have in common?

Answer: The variety and choices of each can boggle the mind.

McKay's grocery store has Golden Delicious, Braeburn, Gala, Honeycrisp, Fuji and Granny Smith apples. Out in the wider world there are also McIntosh, Jonagold, Sweetango, Jazz, Cameo, Opal, and countless other varieties.

The volunteers of the St. John's Loan Closet are discovering the vast diversity of durable medical equipment. There are walkers with wheels and seats, walkers that fold, walkers in pretty colors, canes with four feet on the floor, canes with a single foot on the floor, round toilet risers and square toilet risers. Commodes either have set arms or drop arms.

There are wheelchairs for small people, medium people and big people. Some wheelchairs are lightweight, others more sturdy. Transport chairs exist for those who can't propel themselves.

Need help dressing? No problem. There are dressing sticks, leg lifters, reachers (clamp style or suction cup style), sock donners and sock aides. Plus, there are specialty tools for toileting that I daren't describe here.

There are transfer benches to get from the bed to the wheelchair, and transfer benches to move from the wheelchair to the shower. Speaking of showers, there are shower stools with backs and without backs. We even have a blue shower stool.

The point: There is an apple for every taste bud and every culinary use, and a piece of medical equipment for every person and every need. Thanks be to God!

A call for action: Remember how Johnny Appleseed spread seeds wherever he went? Please channel Johnny and spread the word of our Loan Closet. Our aim is to reach all neighbors in need.

Judy Jackson
for the Medical Loan Closet
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St. John ECW Minutes August 27, 2017

The meeting was held at 11:40 AM in the Church Library

Present were Laurea Arnoldt, Myra Lawson Kay Marino, Denise Skillman, Kathy Webb, and Sally Glunt.

The July minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report: \$719.00

Laurea gave the President's Report: She suggested we have enough money to finance outreach projects this year, and that we concentrate on those projects and have more fellowship.

She also suggested a Rahab Sisters Project as is done in other churches. Perhaps an "Undie-Sunday" where those who can bring a package of new underwear. An idea for the UTO Director that we could give everyone a box with their birthdate on it. They in turn, would bring it to church, filled, on their Birthday. It would then be donated to UTO.

Denise suggested we look at the ECW Mission and Vision and see if we are still "on track".

Outreach Projects:

Shots, Socks, Soup (October 13): Chair-Sally Glunt

Christmas Family: Chair-Juanita Limon

Durable Medical Equipment Closet: Chair-Judy Jackson

Sally moved and Laurea seconded that we not participate in the Cranberry Festival this year.

Motion Passed

It was suggested that we consider volunteering and donating to other volunteer organizations in the community as part of our Outreach efforts. (continued)

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Monday September 25 was chosen for the fellowship, wine and snacks at 4:30 PM at the Church.

Denise suggested we have a page on the church website for ECW.

A budget for the Altar Guild vs. using BAC funds was discussed regarding accepting monies for Altar Flowers. Altar Guild duties were also discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15

Respectfully Submitted,

Myra Lawson, Secretary

Secretary

St. John Episcopal Church BAC Meeting Highlights August 2017

Medical Loan Closet- We need to invite Loan Closet to BAC to discuss equipment.

Junior Warden Report: 1. Organ is beyond repair; perhaps we should dispose of the organ. Denise-Motion to get rid of organ, Laurea-2nd, Approved. 2. The large dirt area, after the electrical installation tore up the grass, would best be graveled in and enlarge the parking area. Do this before the rain starts. Tom has a bid of \$1300-\$1400 from Josh for the parking lot extension: Add weed material underneath packed gravel and remove stump in the area where excavation for the power equipment. Regarding the Oil Tank from the old furnace, it will disappear and the hole will be filled in. Kay - Motion we accept either of these 2 bids, within the ball park, using Tom's judgment. Laurea - 2nd, Approved. 3. There are 3 bids on the Heat Pump: Most Expensive: RHR, \$28,000 for the heat pumps plus all cold air returns & electric connection. Middle Bid: Chambers, uses Trane, \$17,000, checked the ducting seal & insulated under church, does not include electric connection. Lowest Bid: Pacific Air Comfort, uses Carrier, \$15,333; they have checked the ducting in 2014, does not include electric connection. The electric phase we just completed hooks up the power from the power box, and we then have to hook electric to heat pumps. Kay said we need to allow a month from Diocese to approve a Sweet Fund withdrawal to pay for the heat pumps. Kay-Motion we use Pacific Air Bid, Kathy-2nd, But halt if the Dept of Environment Quality balks at the oil tank, Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Kay provided the Financial Reports ending 7/31/17. 1. Advertising Expense of \$49 for the Coffee Break regarding the July 4th Pie Sale. 2. There was a donation of \$20 received towards the back to school fund. 2. Hospitality - there were enough donations to cover the food at

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at the Convocation BBQ which went very well. 3. Pledges are a little under, normal for this time of the year, plus Open Offerings from visitors are low. 4. Delegates for the Convention Budget of \$600 for 2 under lodging, meals, travel & registration fees. 5. Summer Bible School Dinner - \$34.18 for Eddie, \$68.84 for Kay, total of \$103.02. Denise -Motion-charge to Outreach to cover funds, Laurea-2nd, Approved. 6. Discretionary Fund - Rev. Eileen needs to get to the bank to set this up. 7. Search for a New Treasurer & Banker - perhaps an article in the Newsletter 8. Eileen needs to put together a profile for the web page 9. Signage for Medical Loan Closet, beside red door. Kathy-Motion to put up sign, Denise -2nd, Approved

Certification of the delegates to the Convention, Per a letter from the Diocese including a Form of Certification, which Ginger, the Mission Administrator, has filled out the forms already. All the delegate and alternate names were on the Annual Meeting Minutes of 2/26/17. We just need to vote on them. The new delegates for the annual convention are: Lucinda Tatman and Lani Reynolds. The alternates are Mary Garrett and Laurea Arnoldt. Laurea - Motion to Certify the Delegates as listed at the Annual Meeting, Tom- 2nd, Approved.

Kathy Webb, Recorder

Bandon Ministerial Association**Minutes— September 19, 2017****Station Restaurant at 10:30 AM**

Present: Bobbi Neason, First Presbyterian Church; Robin Haruna, Unity of Bandon; Greg Fodrea, First Baptist; Eileen Heden, St. John Episcopal

Following check-in, Greg opened with prayer and devotional; the meeting was called to order at 10:45 AM

Minutes: The minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

Financial Report: not available at this time

OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

VBS went very well and was a great success. Average attendance was 23 kids; a bit less than half of whom are "unchurched".

Blessing of the Harvest went well with Robin, Eileen, Fr. George, and John Hubbard in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

-Hilary & Kate Concert -September 29 at 7 pm at First Presbyterian Church. Article has been sent to Amy Moss-Strong; pastors were encouraged (continued)

Important Dates

October 2017

Sunday, October 8: Blessing of the Pets during the service. Bring Brutus and Fluffy to church for their blessing. Our Chief Blessor, Rev. Eileen, requests, however, that you leave Slither and Slinky, the ssssnake siblings, at home that day. Bring their pictures instead, pleasssse.

Sunday, October 15: Our convention delegates will be present at coffee hour following church to answer your questions about business to be covered this month at the 128th Convention of the Diocese of Oregon on Oct. 27-28 in Salem. On a table in the hallway, there are copies of the proposed diocesan budget and revisions to Constitution and Canons.

Sunday, October 22: Following the service, the congregation will meet in Theresa Hall for pizza at the kick-off of the annual stewardship campaign. Do plan to be there. The BAC is providing the food!

Tuesday, October 31: Once again, St. John will greet all the little ghoulies and ghosties and long-legged beasties who visit us for Trick or Treat. You will hear more later about the time for the party in Theresa Hall and the preparatory ingathering of the candy.

November 2017

Wednesday, November 1 All Saints Day will be celebrated with a service at 7 p.m. You will have an opportunity in October to list the names of loved ones departed from this life whom you want remembered during that ser-

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to share on Facebook. A congregant from FPC was able to get a good room rate at Sunset Motel. It was decided that BMA would give the musicians a meal allowance to be used as they wish. Greg will bring some crudité, cheese, etc. over to FPC on the afternoon of the concert.

-Singspiration October 29 – in lieu of regular Singspiration, our churches will be encouraged to attend a **concert at First Presbyterian Church at 2 pm** on that Sunday. Proceeds will go to Carnegie Hall expenses.

-Thanksgiving Service was discussed. Past BMA services have been offered either in a local church on Wednesday evening or a service at the Barn/Senior Center on Thanksgiving Day. A bread exchange has been included several times. Bobbi has resources for Thanksgiving services through "Reformed Worship". We will decide on a definite plan at the next meeting.

-City Council Invocations: October: Greg Fodrea; November: Ron Harris, Pacific Community Church

-Discussion re: resources for local homeless population and about local food banks. The organizations associated with Bandon Feeds the Hungry are in need of volunteers to stock and distribute food. Coast Community Health Center is best resource re: homeless population. Doug Ardiana is resource for determining food needs for school-aged children.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM. Closing Prayer by Bobbi Neason.

Our next BMA meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 17** at 10:30 AM at The Station Restaurant.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Haruna, Secretary

October 2017

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<p>1</p> <p>17th Sun of Pentecost</p> <p>Eucharist 9:30</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>ACOA 6:30 p.</p> <p>AA 8:00 p.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Bible Study 4:15p.m.</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Adapt 5:30 p.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Chair Yoga w/ Debra 10:30-noon</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 St. Francis</p> <p>Blessing of Pets</p> <p>Eucharist 9:30</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 <i>B'day</i></p> <p><i>Debra Pierson</i> ACOA 6:30 p.</p> <p>AA 8:00 p.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Bible Study 4:15 p.m.</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Fresh Start</p> <p>Adapt 5:30 p.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Chair Yoga w/ Debra 10:30-noon</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15 19th Sun. of Pentecost</p> <p><i>B'day Cynthia Mohorko</i></p> <p>Eucharist 9:30</p>	<p>16</p> <p>BAC 10 a.m.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>ACOA 6:30 p.</p> <p>AA 8:00 p.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Bible Study 4:15 p.m.</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Adapt 5:30 p.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Chair Yoga w/ Debra 10:30-noon</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 20th Sun. of Pentecost</p> <p><i>Annie Reeps</i></p> <p>Stewardship 1</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>ACOA 6:30 p.</p> <p>AA 8:00 p.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Bible Study 4:15 p.m.</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30-8:00</p>	<p>26</p> <p><u>Diocesan</u></p> <p>Adapt 5:30 p.</p>	<p>27 <i>B'day</i></p> <p><i>Mary Garrett Convention</i></p> <p>Chair Yoga w/ Debra 10:30-</p>	<p>28</p> <p><u>In Salem</u></p>
<p>29 21st Sun of Pentecost</p> <p>Eucharist 9:30</p> <p>ECW 11:30</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 Halloween</p> <p>ACOA 6:30 p.</p> <p>AA 8:00 p.</p>				

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 2017

Service	LEM/Lay	1st Lector	2d Lector	Intercessor	Usher/Greeter	Coffee/Snacks
10/1 17th Sun. after Pentecost Holy Eucharist	<u>Denise</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Myra</u>	<u>Mary</u>	<u>Mary</u>
10/8 St. Francis of Assisi Holy Eucharist	<u>Donna</u>	<u>Myra</u>	<u>Laurea</u>	<u>Wailani</u>	<u>Bill</u>	
10/15 19th Sun. after Pentecost Holy Eucharist	<u>Kay</u>	<u>Marilyn</u>	<u>Myra</u>	<u>Laurea</u>	<u>Rpy</u>	<u>Laurea</u>
10/22 20th Sun. after Pentecost Holy Eucharist	<u>Bill</u>	<u>Donna</u>	<u>Caroline</u>	<u>Laurea</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>BAC</u>
10/29 21st Sun. after Pentecost Holy Eucharist		<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Laurea</u>	<u>Judy</u>	<u>Caroline</u>

Names that are underlined indicate duties and dates on which each of you has agreed to serve. Thank you for the gift of your time and talents!

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WHO WE ARE

St. John Episcopal Church is a community where God leads us in healing, teaching, reaching out, and stewardship.

We are a community that sees Christ in all people and judges none. We believe in inclusion for all people regardless of race, gender, age, disability or sexual orientation. We aim to break down barriers that separate us from one another and to provide a home for anyone on their spiritual journey. Our work brings together people of faith who believe in the inherent dignity and worth of all people on their journey.