

St. John's Journal

July 2019



Worship Schedule

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

7/7 Pentecost 4: MP II

7/14 Pentecost 5: HE II Rev. Doug
Hale

7/21 Pentecost 6: MP II

7/28 Pentecost 7: HE II Rev. Doug
Hale

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthday

7-9: Tom Glunt

Anniversaries

7-2: Laorea & Roy Arnoldt

7-16: Harmony & Russell Harrison

7-31: Myra & Jim Lawson

Transitions

With a little over 60 days left until my retirement from a 20-year career in hospitality, my co-workers have dubbed me the "Two Digit Midget." Few people who have retired ahead of me have said they were fully prepared for the transition -- financially or otherwise. I'm sure I'm not, but I'm desperate to give it a try. Perhaps after a lengthy hibernation I might take on a less stressful and demanding job to keep the wolf from the door. But for now, I just dream of freedom.

I've been trying to train a replacement who will take over about half of my current responsibilities. The rest will be divided among the owners and several experienced colleagues. Segregating my duties into different jobs for different people has been amazingly difficult. Continuity, attention to detail, and a strong sense of responsibility will be needed by the person who takes over the majority of my tasks. I do not expect my young replacement to do everything the way I do (in fact, I rather hope she'll find a better way). Also, I hope she will take the job seriously.

Perhaps because it has been so drawn out, this has been one of the hardest transitions I've ever experienced, and it has given me a new perspective on the transition periods we have gone through (and are now in) at St. John.

During this latest transition period, we have been served by a handful of faithful and compassionate supply clergy. We have shared joy and sadness, remembrance and gratitude. We have taken full responsibility for all operations of the church, the expansion of our mission to those with medical needs, and the enrichment of our liturgy.

As the BAC works with the Diocese to call a priest to our congregation, each member of St. John has a responsibility to prepare for the future by:

Trusting that God is on the journey with us and has something new in store for us.

Continuing to pray and listen to God and to each other. Now is the best time to discern how each of us is part of God's mission.

Being present. Attendance has fallen in the past few weeks, because some of you have been traveling (lucky you!) But I urge you to attend church as often as you can, and to keep St. John's in your prayers always. After all, it is your church, and if you don't support it, who will?

The coming months offer new opportunities for St. John's to be involved in ecumenical events like Vacation Bible School and Convocation events like a Eucharist at the beach. Any priest seeking to serve our congregation will look for evidence that we are vital and active and joyfully serving the Lord. So let us be.

Denise Skillman, Senior Warden

Lay Ministry

As we look forward to our search for a priest to serve our congregation as priest-in-charge and later, perhaps, as our vicar, let us remember our own strengths. It is the laity that keeps the worship going during the in-between times. Each of us is a lay minister; each of us can lead our church family in prayer and through the non-Eucharistic worship. This means altar guild, ushers, lectors, intercessors, LEMs, choir and music, lay ministers, bringers of food and coffee preparers — each and all of us. The rota — the lay ministry schedule — for July looks mighty thin as I prepare to print this issue of the Journal. Can you find a spot when you will be in town and available to take on just one small and important extra task?

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BAC**Senior Warden** Denise Skillman**Junior Warden** Tom Glunt**Clerk:** Judy Jackson**Treasurer** Kay Marino**Members at Large:** Laurea Arnoldt, Mary Garrett,
Judy Jackson, Caroline McKemy, & Lani Reynolds

The Rt. Rev. Michael J. Hanley, Bishop & Rector

Church Administrator:

Virginia MacCallum

Office Hours: Tuesdays 2-6 p.m.**Good Neighbors**

Last month, St. John contributed 40 pounds of food to Bandon's Good Neighbors food pantry. The narthex basket is filling up again, but you still have a couple of days to add more to our gifts. Remember also the items not covered by food stamps: soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, etc.

St. John's Medical Loan Closet

Are we busy helping our neighbors stay mobile? Heck yeah! Our clients are rolling and walking and toileting and bathing – all with help from our medical equipment lending program. We lend walkers, wheelchairs, commodes, toilet risers, transfer benches, canes, crutches, and the like – all at no charge. Interested in learning more about this important program? Visit <https://stjohnsbandon.org/medical-loan-closet/>, or contact us at (541)590-2443 or stjohnsloan-closet@gmail.com. In the meantime, *Walk and Roll!*

Vacation Bible School coming July 15-19

The Bandon Ministerial Association (BMA) selected "Who is my Neighbor?" as the curriculum for this year's sessions, to be hosted by First Baptist Church from 4 to 7 p.m. BMA churches will take turns providing meals, and volunteers will be needed one night.

St. John will provide dinner on Wednesday, July 17. We will need volunteers to cook, serve, and clean up afterward. A sign-up sheet is in Theresa Hall.

Fabulous Singspiration!

Loud hurrahs to everyone who made Singspiration a success on June 30. Music director Cynthia Mohorko selected a rousing program of great hymns for all to sing, and Stephen Mohorko directed our choir in lovely harmonies. St. John's hospitality and refreshments were, of course, delicious. Thank you to all who served and sang!





Summer Eucharist at the Beach

The South Coast Convocation (including the Episcopal churches in Brookings, Gold Beach, Port Orford, Bandon, Coquille, Coos Bay, Gardiner and Florence) will be holding a beach Eucharist in Bandon on Saturday, August 17th. All parishioners, their guests and the public are invited to attend this celebration of faith set amidst the stunning landscape of our coastal region.

The service will take place in the morning at Devils Kitchen State Park Vista Point which is located off of Beach Loop Dr. at 87108 Saturn Lane.

We'll gather on the grassy bluff overlooking the beach - an easy walk from the parking area. The Reverend Tim Hannon of St. James in Coquille will officiate, and the Chapel Choir of St. John will sing.

More details will follow including what to bring and specific times. Please contact Convocation delegates Mary Garrett or Judy Jackson for more information,



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2 ACOA 6:30 AA 8 p.m.	3 Choir 6:30	4 Adapt 4:30-7	5 Chair Yoga 10:30-noon	6
7 4th Sun. after Pente- cost MP II	8 BAC 10 a.m.	9 ACOA 6:30 AA 8 p.m.	10 Choir 6:30	11 Adapt 4:30-7	12 Chair Yoga 10:30-noon	13
14 5th Sun. after Pente- cost HE II Rev. Doug Hale	15 VBS at First Baptist July 15-19	16 ACOA 6:30 AA 8 p.m.	17 VBS Dinner -eve Choir 6:30	18 Adapt 4:30-7	19 Chair Yoga 10:30-noon	20
21 6th Sun. after Pente- cost MP II	22	23 ACOA 6:30 AA 8 p.m.	24 Choir 6:30	25 Adapt 4:30-7	26 Chair Yoga 10:30-noon	27
28 7th Sun. after Pente- cost HE II Rev. Doug Hale	29	30 ACOA 6:30 AA 8 p.m.	31 Choir 6:30			

Lay Ministry Schedule— July 2019

Service	LEM/Lay Minister	1 st Lector	2 nd Lector	Intercessor	Usher/Greeter	Coffee/ Snacks
7/7 4 th Sun. after Pentecost MP II	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Myra</u>			<u>Mary</u>	
7/14 5 th Sun. after Pentecost HE II The Rev. Doug Hale	<u>Denise</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Bill</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Judy</u>	
7/21 6 th Sun. after Pentecost MP II	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Maggie</u>	<u>Myra</u>		<u>Mary</u>	<u>Maggie</u>
7/28 7 th Sun. after Pentecost HE II The Rev. Doug Hale	<u>Kay</u>	<u>Bill</u>	<u>Ginger</u>	<u>Ginger</u>		

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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.