

# St. John's Journal

## June 2022



### PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING

On Pentecost Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be receiving a special offering. This Pentecost offering supports grants given to local churches in the Diocese by Diocesan Council. These grants can go for “bricks and mortar” kinds of projects or to support missional outreach. St. John received one of the grants to help in the early days of our Medical Loan Closet. The most recent grant was given for the construction of a labyrinth at a local congregation. On the 5<sup>th</sup>, all undesignated gifts in the offering plate as well as gifts specifically designated for the “Pentecost Offering” will be given to the Diocese to help other congregations in our diocese.



### PENTECOST CELEBRATION

Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> is the Day of Pentecost. To celebrate this day, we will be putting on the **RED**. We will be putting out the **RED** paraments, a **RED** Pentecost banner and handing out **RED** ribbons to wave during the procession and recession. Fortunately, the carpet is already **RED**. If you can personally put on the **RED** with **RED** clothing or with some other way of displaying **RED**, please do so and add to the celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

## *Fr. Doug's Iconic Column*

We are in a time of several significant feast of the Church Year. May 26<sup>th</sup> was Ascension Day, June 4<sup>th</sup> is the Day of Pentecost and June 11<sup>th</sup> is Trinity Sunday. Unlike Christmas and Easter, these holy days are not cluttered with secular symbols like Santa Claus, reindeer, the Easter bunny, and colorful eggs. Somehow, these three days have failed to inspire the secular mind or find themselves associated with the coming of seasons like Winter or Spring. It is a good thing that they simply stand for what they are.

On Ascension Day, we remember Jesus' last words with his disciples, his ascending into heaven to take his place at the right-hand of the Father, and his disciples watching him being taken out of their sight. On Trinity Sunday, we try to peel back the clouds obscuring heaven and then contemplate the mystery of God being three persons and yet being one. These two holy days can pull our attention into contemplating divine mysteries.

I imagine that the disciples mourned as they watched Jesus ascend and disappear from their sight. If only they could have gone with him. We might have similar thoughts as we think about our loved ones who have died and entered into the presence of Christ. Oh, if only we could go with them.

But we need to remember that, as the disciples watched Jesus ascend and disappear from their sight, two angels appeared and said, "Why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus...will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." He'll be back! He will once again be in our world. Our focus needs to be here, not there. Then we also need to remember Jesus' last words to his disciples, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

This mysterious Trinity is not safely tucked away in heaven. The Holy Spirit has come upon us, the Son will return to us, the Father has never left us. God is at work in the world. God is at work in our lives. We need not look far to find God at work in us and through us. God is not found in some mysterious idyllic heaven, but with us in this world, in our lives, which are anything but idyllic.

The horrific shootings in Texas, California, and New York this last month are troubling reminders that we live in a broken world where more than anything we need God to be here with us, to help us through it all, and to empower us to be witnesses that God is indeed among us and offers a different way of being in this world. God invites us and the whole world to enter God's Kingdom and to live our lives in the light of the God of love.

Fr. Doug

## ***Musings from Denise***

### **FATHERS FROM BABYLON TO BANDON**

The earliest known Father's Day card was inscribed on a clay tablet around 4,000 years ago by a young boy wishing his Babylonian father good health and a long life. It was found in the ruins of that city, but nothing more is known about that father and son.

Under Roman Catholic influence, many parts of the world have honored their fathers on St. Joseph's Day (March 19) since the Middle Ages. Joseph was a worker (a carpenter) who modelled good parenting by nurturing and protecting the Infant Jesus.

The first unofficial statewide Father's Day celebration in the modern era took place in Spokane, Washington on June 19, 1910. It was the inspiration of Sonora Smart Dodd. After hearing about the new Mother's Day celebration (1908), Mrs. Dodd thought fathers should also have a special day. Particularly, she wanted to honor her own father, William Jackson Smart, a Civil War veteran who was widowed twice and raised Sonora and her five younger brothers on his own.

It was not until 1972 that Father's Day officially became a nationwide commemoration, but long before that, I distinctly remember making greeting cards, a hideous clay ashtray, and an embroidered necktie that my Dad actually wore to work (more than once)!

Dad was usually easy-going, but he was adamant about one thing: no store-bought gifts for Father's Day. This always amused me, because as an advertising executive it was his job to commercialize Father's Day by enticing customers to buy hunting, fishing and sports gear, power tools and BBQ's, garden tools and camping gear, etc. Since my Dad did not hunt, fish, or play sports, had every hand-, garden-, and power tool on the market, and cooking of any kind (especially on an outdoor grill) was not his idea of fun, there wasn't much hope of pleasing him with a purchased gift anyway. What he valued most was spending time together as a family – if not on an outing, then working together on hobbies or projects in the garden or around the house.

Someone said, "any man can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad." By definition, a father is "any man who begets a child" while a dad is a male parent who steps up to raise a child. I've had both: a father I never met and a dad who loved me, protected me, and meant the world to me. He read bedtime stories, taught me how to ride a bike and drive a car, and countless other skills, and made me believe I could do anything I set my mind to. What I miss most, especially on Father's Day, is spending time with him. In my opinion we should be celebrating Dad's Day, not Father's Day, in honor of the men who raised us.

To all you Dads and Grandads – Happy Dad's Day!

## Wednesday Evening Prayer

Fr. Doug is leading Evening Prayer at 7pm on Wednesdays using the Zoom platform at this link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5042346656?pwd=eGlTMethTnUyQWk3TW9hNmszemRsQT09> The same link can be used each week. The link to the gathering can also be found in his weekly Saturday evening emails. The same link can be used each week. Join and be blessed by this time of prayer and interaction with other folks from St. John.

## Seeking Number 5

The St. John's Medical Loan is run by a team of five volunteers. Lani Reynolds, Sally Glunt, Mary Garrett and Judy Jackson currently make up 4/5ths of this knock-'em-dead team. We are seeking a 5<sup>th</sup> volunteer.

The duties of an MLC volunteer include:

Take phone calls and meet with clients during one duty week each month.

Check out and receive returned equipment.

Clean and sanitize returned equipment.

Our clients are extremely grateful for this service and it's a good feeling to be able to help them recover from accidents and surgery, and sometimes even to help them at the end of their life.

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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Birthdays

**9: Stephen Mohorko**

**15: Joan Markey**

**25: Lorilyn Holton**

### Anniversaries

**26: Kay & Bill Marino**

**30: Karen & Joe Sinko**



Please contact Judy Jackson at [stjohnsloanclset@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsloanclset@gmail.com) to learn more.

Note: Calls to the dedicated MLC phone number is linked to and routed through personal cell phones. Clients do not have access to volunteers' personal phone numbers. Clients meet at St. John's by appointment only and at the convenience of the volunteer.

**"Love God, love our neighbor, and serve one another."**



## **Medical Loan Closet Inventory**

### **Changes to Our Prayer List**

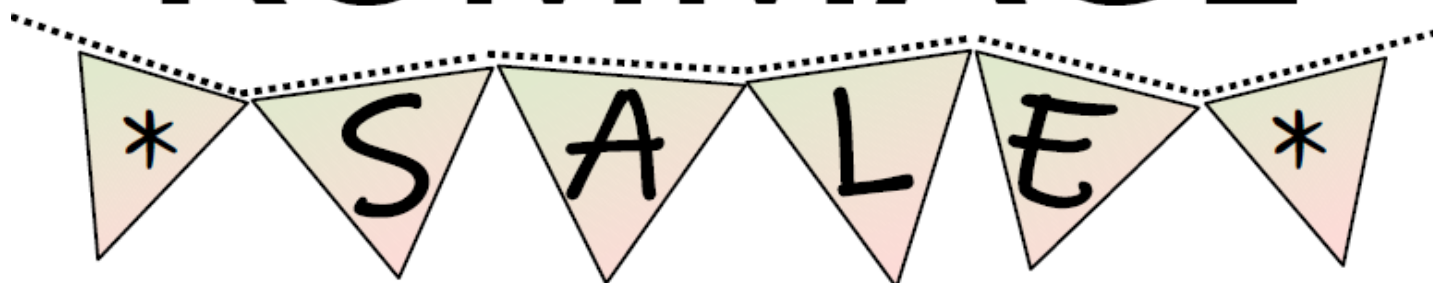
Effective June 1, 2022, we will be changing some procedures on our prayer list. One of the reasons for the revision is to identify those people who are ill and for whom members of the Prayer Chain will pray daily. In respect for each individual's privacy, you may want to list your requests by first name and last initial only.

Because we care about you and those for whom you ask prayers, we recommend you list for no more than four week periods and renew the request if the person is still in need of prayer. (This helps the Prayer Chain's efforts, too.) If you cannot get to church to update your special request, just call the church office at 541-347-2152 to do so.

On June 1, we will also be making a small change to the intercessions in the Prayers of the People. Each week, we will include those on the prayer list who are members of our congregation. Prayers for all other people who are not congregants will rotate every other week. Please do not feel offended if someone you listed is not in the weekly intercessions.

We appreciate your patience as we work to streamline the process.

# St. John RUMMAGE



Friday, June 3rd - 9:00 – 4:00  
Saturday, June 4th - 9:00 -2:00

small appliances, books, furniture, sports  
equipment, knickknacks, tools and lots more

St. John's Episcopal Church - 795 Franklin - Bandon  
(Behind Bandon High School)

\*Plus a **RAFFLE** for a  
brand new 43" Vizio Smart TV

**CASH ONLY!**



Masks and distancing suggested.

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| <i>5</i> The Day<br>of Pentecost          | <i>6</i><br>7:30 AA  | <i>7</i><br>8 AA           | <i>8</i><br>7 Eve<br>Prayer/<br>8 AA                  | <i>9</i>                      | <i>10</i>                           | <i>11</i>                           |
| <i>12</i> Trinity<br>Sunday               | <i>13</i><br>7:30 AA | <i>14</i><br>1 BAC<br>8 AA | <i>15</i><br>7 Eve<br>Prayer/<br>8 AA                 | <i>16</i>                     | <i>17</i>                           | <i>18</i>                           |
| <i>19</i> 2nd<br>Sun after<br>Pentecost   | <i>20</i><br>7:30 AA | <i>21</i><br>8 AA          | <i>22</i><br>7 Eve<br>Prayer/<br>8 AA 7 Eve           | <i>23</i>                     | <i>24</i>                           | <i>25</i>                           |
| <i>26</i> 3rd Sun<br>after Pente-<br>cost | <i>27</i><br>7:30 AA | <i>28</i><br>8 AA          | <i>29</i><br>7 Eve<br>Prayer/<br>8 AA                 | <i>30</i>                     |                                     |                                     |

## ***Feed My Sheep***

On Sundays now, you will find the collection basket for non-perishable food for the Bandon Food Pantry. Please do not forget those in the community who are hungry.

In addition to non-perishable food, there is also need for items that cannot be purchased with food stamps: detergent, bath soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, sanitary products for women, dog food, and similar items.

### **BAC**

**Senior Warden:** Judy Jackson

**Junior Warden:** Sally Glunt

**Members at Large:** Mary Garrett, Lani Reynolds, Maggie Lowery, Gail Pray

**Treasurer:** Denise Skillman

**Clerk:** Beth Wilmot

**Bankers:** Kathy Webb

**Convention Delegates:** Judy Jackson & Sally Glunt

### **Staff**

**Vicar:**

The Rev. Doug Hale

**Music Director:**

Cynthia Mohorko

**Church Administrator:**

Virginia MacCallum

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Our Vicar, Fr. Doug, is generally in his church office Tuesday and Thursday from about noon until about 4:00 p.m.

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### **W H O   W E   A R E**

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.