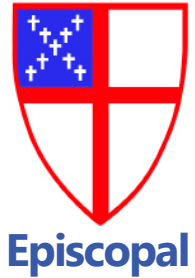


Good News from Good Samaritan

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From The Clergy

Things I/ we've been working on...

Assistant Rector search: We are continuing to receive applications from candidates until May 30th. At that point the discernment committee will decide who to continue to be in conversation with. We are making progress!

Organist search: We have a wonderful candidate who came to Corvallis on interview at the end of May. We hope to make an announcement soon.

Campus Ministry: The interim board of trustees is working on the bylaws and rental agreement paperwork. They are also working with the City and County authorities to find out what legal requirements we have to meet to be in a position to rent to students in the fall. Paul VanDevelder and the Buildings & Grounds Committee are still working on rehab projects.

GS Preschool: We are still receiving enquiries for the school, but it is slow. The school trustees will continue to review the situation as regards going forward with the 2015/16 academic year.

Summer Day Camp: We are busily making plans to hold a joint summer day camp with Grace Lutheran Church in early August. I am in need of volunteers to help with the program.

Spiritual Nurture: Our committee has offered a wonderful and varied program of events this spring and have plans for more events in the early summer. Please encourage people to attend the Sunday morning classes, they are all really good.

Community Activities: We are planning a number of really fun events for the next couple of months: A wine tasting, graduate's lunch, a Sundays @ 3 concert, OSU music student recitals, and a Corvallis Chamber Music festival. I am also looking into the possibility of a church night at a Corvallis Knights game in July...

Buildings and Grounds issues: our hard working committee has a number of important projects

in hand. I am working with them and our Sacred Spaces Committee to complete preliminary plans for the refurbishment of Simpson Hall. We continue to work with Jim Harper on his proposal to create a courtyard/labyrinth maintenance fund.

With prayer,
Simon+

Special Events in June

- **Graduates lunch;** Sunday, May 31. We will be honoring our Good Samaritan graduates – Isaac Bunsen, Trevor Gazeley, James Moursund and Christopher Wohlwend – with a special lunch. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for the next step in their lives.
- **Last day of Pre-school;** Friday, June 5. We will celebrate the end of the school year with a pot-luck lunch beginning at 11:30 a.m.
- **Sundays @ 3 Concert;** Sunday, June 7. World renowned pianist Alexandre Dossin will perform at 3:00 p.m. in the main sanctuary.

Saints in June

One of the special people remembered in the Episcopal Church in June is a Deacon called Enmegahbowh. He was the first Native American to be ordained to the Episcopal clergy and had a significant ministry in the State of Minnesota. His feast day is on June 12th.

“Enmegahbowh (his Ojibwa name means The One who Stands before his People; his conversion name was John Johnson). Enmegahbowh was born the son of an Ojibwa Chief about a day's journey north of Toronto ca. 1820. He was trained by his grandfather in Midewiwin practices and was a member of the Grand Medicine Lodge. But in 1832 he followed Methodist missionary John Clark to Sault Ste. Marie. Enmegahbowh attended school on the Keweenaw Peninsula from 1833-1835. For two years he served as an interpreter at Methodist Epis-

copal missions along southern Lake Superior and in Wisconsin. In 1837 he traveled to Jacksonville, IL to attend the Ebenezer Manual Labor Training School and in 1839 Enmegahbowh began his life work as Asst. Methodist Episcopal missionary just above Little Falls, Minnesota. In 1840 he co-founded Rabbit River Mission and in 1841 he married Biwabikogeshig-equay, Iron Sky Woman (niece of Bugonaygeshig (Hole in the Day the Elder)). Between 1841 and 1845 he was associated with missions at Whitefish Lake, Sandy Lake, Leech, Cass and Red Lakes. In 1845 he met Episcopal Priest Ezekiel Gear at Ft. Snelling and switched from Methodism to Episcopalianism.

In 1852 Enmegahbowh and Reverend James Lloyd Breck co-founded St. Columba Mission at Gull Lake and in 1859 he is ordained as a Deacon. In July 1868 Enmegahbowh and his family traveled to the newly formed White Earth Reservation where he soon erected a log Church of St. Columba in memory of the former one at Gull Lake. Enmegahbowh was ordained as the first American Indian Episcopal priest in 1867 by Henry Whipple at the Cathedral Church in Faribault. He served the White Earth mission congregation for 44 years, frequently traveling with Whipple on his trips to the other Minnesota missions. Enmegahbowh spoke eloquently about Whipple following the bishop's death in 1901.

"I write the language of my sorrowful heart. I cannot say much at this time-my heart is too heavy. When I heard that our Bishop had died, I said, 'No, this cannot be!' I did not think our Bishop could die." (*From inonorofthepeople.org*)

Dear Friends at Good Sam,

Just a note to thank you for all the fun we've had the past five months. I will be finishing work here June 30, and then flying to Hungary to set up my new home in Pecs on July 2.

I will be back the third week of September to teach a mid week workshop and a weekend one, two different topics. I'll also see you again in February and April of 2016 for a week at a time.

I've so enjoyed my time here. I look forward to staying in touch with you for years to come.

If you are interested, I will be giving a talk in the Lounge Sunday, May 31, at 9:15 a.m. about Hungary, why I am moving there, what I feel God

is having me do, and what life may be like. I have a few slides I can show you of where I will be living, my Hungarians friends, and the countryside, which is so similar to the beauty of the Willamette Valley and Corvallis.

Love in Christ Jesus, the source of all Love.

—Fr. Peter Fritsch

Music Notes

Hi Gang,

I've been very grateful for our music program here at Good Samaritan especially in the last two weeks. With back to back Black Swan Jazz and Kirkin' O' the Tartan, our sanctuary has been vibrant with music and energy. What a treat! We're finishing up the choral year: the last Sunday for the choir will be June 14. I will be on a plane to China during the service, but we've made arrangements for Donnie Dugan (one of our choral scholars) to conduct the anthem, and for Sarah Massie to play the organ. Sarah has been playing actively in each service for some time now, and she played ALL of the organ music last Sunday. Congrats, Sarah! Well done.

If you're interested in participating in music at Good Samaritan, you can email me:

moursundjames@gmail.com

I can direct you to the program of your preference (be it adult choir, contemporary worship, Taizé, handbells, and so forth). FYI, the adult choir rehearses Thursday nights at 7:15 p.m., and meets Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. We'd love for you to sing with us!

Music Lesson: Johannes Brahms famously wrote one of the first masses not to be set in Latin. His *Deutsches Requiem* (or *German Requiem*) was written fully in German and was dedicated to his mother when she passed away. In this century, masses are written in most any language one can think of. In fact, we speak or sing many parts of the mass in every service. The Gloria, Credo (Nicene Creed), Holy holy holy (Sanctus), and Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) are all from the mass ordinary.

Best,

—James Moursund, Director of Music

Treasurers Report

Summary through April 2015

	April	April	2015	2015	Annual
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget
Income					
Pledge Receipts	39658	29197	134138	117400	367716
All other DPA income	6678	6276	13473	14463	46000
Non-DPA income	528	900	3460	2400	6000
Total Income	46864	36373	151071	134263	419716
Expenses					
Cash and Diocese Expenses	4697	4697	18788	18786	56359
Personnel	21035	21964	76000	78247	264318
Administration - Operations	2848	3784	24607	27985	56378
Property	1929	1852	4797	7407	23470
Vestry Ministries	538	735	1693	2610	9285
Outreach from Operations	2333	2333	3332	3333	8000
Other Expenses	73	42	269	167	500
Total Expenses	33453	35407	129486	138535	418310
Net	13411	966	21585	-4272	1406

Narrative

1. Revised revised 2015 budget
 - a) The 2015 budget was revised again to reflect pledges as of the end of April (see above).
 - b) Our final 2015 budget has a surplus of \$1406.
2. Income:
 - a) Pledge donations were well above budget for the month and for the year.
3. Expenses:
 - a) Total expenses for April were below budget.
4. Summary: Through April our income is above budget and our expenses are below budget. This is great news and the annual budget still looks reasonable.

Please direct questions to John Shea, Treasurer, John.Shea54@gmail.com, 541 754-6832

Vestry and Committee Reports

Your Vestry Personnel 2015

Paul VanDevelder	Finance	Ruth Burns	Parish Life
John Wooley	Buildings and Grounds	Harry Burrige	Worship, Music
Bob Bernhard	Outreach, Social Justice	Robert Lovelady	At Large
Carol Scharfer	Youth, School Board	Pat Boyce	At Large
Bill Smoker	Newcomers	Beverly Durham	At Large
Keith Gelbrich	Spiritual Nurture	George Constantine	At Large

Outreach

Designated Offering

Benton Habitat for Humanity is the recipient of our June Designated Offering. Habitat's vision: a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Since its beginning in 1991, Benton Habitat has built **91** homes in Corvallis, Philomath and Alsea. There are more in the planning stages. Recently Habitat has expanded services to include home repair for low income folks: replacing rotting window frames, repairing a deck and a rotting kitchen floor are examples of recent jobs completed. The Habitat ReStore receives donations of re-useable building materials to help fund construction costs of Habitat homes.

Benton Habitat is an ecumenical ministry that seeks to eliminate sub-standard housing and to make decent housing a matter of action and conscience. By having people from all income levels work together in equal partnership, Habitat builds new relationships and a sense of community, as well as new housing. Please give thoughtful consideration to a donation to Benton Habitat for Humanity on June.

There is an additional way to help Habitat: Good Samaritan will be providing dinner on July 13 for Habitat Build, a group of volunteers from across the US who will be working on a house here for a week. If you are interested in providing some help with food for 15 volunteers, please contact Cindy Cole (541-753-6713). And watch the Sunday bulletin for updates.

—Outreach and Social Justice Committee

Thank You

Thank you for your recent gift of \$1,000 to Mountain View Elementary Weekend Food Program donation account, administered by the Corvallis Public Schools Foundation.

Thanks to your generosity, we will meet our mission to provide students with expanded learning opportunities and materials, to reward, honor, and develop outstanding teachers and staff, and to build fundraising capacity for individual schools.

Best regards,

Brenda Downum-VanDevelder, Executive Director

—Jean Mark

Help the Pastoral Counseling Center

Here is a simple way to help the Pastoral Counseling Center (PCC) while doing your spring cleaning. It is easy: take donated items to the ARC store on Beca Ave in Corvallis or the store in Philomath after putting a #72 sticker on each item. The store staff will price the items and when an item is sold PCC and The ARC split the proceeds fifty-fifty. So your spring cleaning can help TWO at once.

Every dollar received helps low income and uninsured families, couples and individuals receive the mental health counseling and psychotherapy they need.

Stickers and more information can be found on the Outreach bulletin board in the main hallway.

—Outreach and Social Justice Committee

Shop Till You Drop

Support Good Samaritan Church just by shopping at Fred Meyer with your Rewards Card. All you have to do is link your Rewards Card and use it when you shop at Fred Meyer.

Call 1-866-518-2686 and ask to talk to a representative, or enroll online at <https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4> and link your Rewards Card to Church of the Good Samaritan – Corvallis, #91646. Customers will continue to receive Rewards Points, Rebates and Fuel Points

At the end of each quarter, Fred Meyer Community Rewards will make a donation based on the accumulated spending of the Rewards customers linked to each nonprofit.

When calling, please have your card number ready.

For online enrollment please do the following:

1. Register your card online
2. Sign in to your account and click on your name to open your account information
3. Edit your Community Rewards section by typing 91646 and select Church of the Good Samaritan – Corvallis, #91646
4. Just use your card as usual when shopping at Fred Meyer and support Good Samaritan Church!

Thank you,
—Karen Wohlwend

Questions and Answers

—about health care reform and Good Sam’s membership in the HCAO Coalition

1. *Wouldn’t Socialized medicine destroy the “free enterprise system?”*

Answer: The free enterprise system is alive and well in Switzerland, Germany, France, Japan and other nations providing Universal Health Care for its people. All modern countries including our own, employ a mix of free enterprise and government institutions. Our national highway system Medicare, public education, Social Security, and the postal service have not threatened free enterprise. “Free-market“ competition among American health insurance companies does NOT increase access, reduce prices, or improve benefits. It produces the opposite: Insurance companies compete by avoiding anyone who might get sick. They shift costs to patients with higher deductibles, higher co-pays, higher premiums, excluded conditions, and restricted networks that avoid providers that provide care for expensive conditions.

questions, comments? – Edie Orner 541-926-5989; ediestewart29@msn.com

ECW News

Save the date! It is time to clean out closets for the **ECW Annual Summer Sale on July 24 and 25**. Limited space is now available for storage. Please bring items during office hours—Laura will show you where to put them. Contact Ruth Burns (541-758-3551) if you want a tax receipt. Wanted items: accessories, cooling fans.

Happenings

Volunteers are needed to help plan and run crafts, songs and games for the morning preschool portion of Lutherwood Day Camp, August 3-7, at Grace Lutheran Church. Contact Wendy Geist at wkgeist@aol.com or 541-791-3728.

View from the Village

The beat goes on here at Samaritan Village. We are lucky to have our SV Board meet every month in our dining room. It gives the residents a chance to let their concerns be heard. The Board is good at answering questions and sifting through to the heart of each matter. This year’s renovation project has caused some heart ache, and at the least some mild stress for nearly every one living and working at Samaritan Village. Everyone is affected in some way – however, it promises to end in early December. At least we heartily hope so. The project seems to be going more smoothly now and people here are asking more questions to ease their minds.

I have recently returned to my apartment from relocation. They did a superb job with my shower and bathroom area. I have no complaints at all. I was out a total of six weeks, as were five of my neighbors as the crew and management worked through some major glitches in the process.

Our Cinco de Mayo party was a lot of fun. The kids who came to dance for us also helped to destroy the piñata in style. Raul’s food was great – as usual. The Bus Fund grew by \$600-plus.

Spring has sprung. I celebrated it by buying an adult tricycle. I have the only one at the Village right now. It was a challenge to learn and I had to forget all my years of biking skills in order to accomplish it. Now I can cycle out and about whenever I feel the urge. OSU campus is beautiful this time of year.

I have been writing this article for awhile now. What would YOU like to know about us? Feel free to contact me at marianely@peak.org. OR – if you see an elderly crazy person in a loud lime green helmet riding a tricycle near where you happen to be standing, feel free to stop and chat.

And the beat goes on. Happy Spring to you all and see you at the Village.

Marian Ely, Samaritan Village

Other Activities

Casserole Connection

Is there someone in the parish you know who could use the support of a main dish casserole? Maybe they have recently come home from a stay

in the hospital or possibly they are ill with the flu. There are many times in life when some good home cooked “comfort” food is most welcome. In the month of June you may call Mary Lou Gray at 541 230-1466. She will be most happy to see that this need is met.

—Bobbie Beck

EGGS – Over Easy

Here we are in late Spring, with Rhododendrons showing off their glorious blooms, albeit without much sunlight to enhance their finery. And speaking of light, how about electricity, providing light to us in the darkness? Imagine what the world was like before electric power!

Perhaps it is time, once again, to recommend Pacific Power’s “Blue Sky” program? Blue Sky is a program in which Pacific Power customers can shift their consumption to sustainable and non-polluting sources of power by paying a small premium on their bills, no more than 10%. Those sources of power may include wind and wave, geothermal, and biomass.

Here are the results for two of our parishioners who subscribe to Blue Sky. Between the two of them, they supported almost 18,000 kilowatt hours of Blue Sky power, which is equivalent to not producing over 21,000 pounds of CO₂, or not driving 23,500 miles, or planting 256 (oxygen-producing) trees.

At the more macro-level, over 100,000 customers, across Pacific Power’s service area, participate in Blue Sky. They thereby have avoided producing 3,300,000 TONS of CO₂, which is equivalent to planting 77,000,000 trees or taking 621,000 cars off the road. Pretty nifty, eh?

So, if you are not currently a Blue Sky subscriber, think about that; this is something which is both easy to do and clearly effective. Signing up is easy – go to pacificpower.net/bluesky and there you are. I suspect that many parishioners are already Blue Sky subscribers. Could you send me a little note (bwjf-becker@hotmail.com) if you are already doing this, describing your experience?

In closing, consider these few lines from John O’Donohue’s “In Praise of Air:”

Let us bless the air,
Benefactor of breath,
Keeper of the fragile bridge
We breathe across.

Air waiting outside
The womb, to funnel
A first breath
That lets us begin
To be here,
Each moment
Drawn from
Its invisible stock.

And think about how miraculous it All is
all of it, every bit of it!

—Bill Becker

Library Listings June, 2015

1. LETTERS FROM THE COLD WAR and **SERENITY VILLA** — both by Marian Ely, – yes our own Marian Ely who can be found serving at the altar, reading one of the lessons, and/or writing a column in our newsletter, among other things! Of **LETTERS FROM THE COLD WAR**, she writes, “This is a collection of letters that represents my experiences in West Germany during the Cold War. I served in the US Army there from November 1974 to February, 1978... and **SERENITY VILLA** is a fiction piece about a retirement community and Marian insists that any similarity between it and Samaritan Village across the street from Good Samaritan is “purely coincidental.” If you haven’t yet gotten acquainted with Marian, pick up one of her books from our library and get an introduction!

—and speaking of getting acquainted – some of the following titles may help you get better acquainted with yourself – a good place to start.

2. THE GIFT OF CHANGE, Spiritual Guidance for Living Your Best Life by Marianne Williamson... (This book) needs to be read by every person who can feel the speed of change rapidly increasing in his/her personal world. ...Williamson examines change as a spiritual necessity and offers the readers insights into the meaning of embracing the next step of one’s life...”

3. ILLUMINATED LIFE – Monastic Wisdom

for Seekers of Light - by Joan Chittister “From Abandonment to Zeal, this alphabet of monastic values will help you to experience peace and love in the midst of life’s pressures and problems.”

4. PRAYERS OF THE COSMOS – Meditations on the Aramaic Words of Jesus - translated and with commentary by Neil Douglas-Klotz “Reading this book and doing the body prayers are a spiritual retreat. This small volume can change our whole manner of praying and if we allow it, our lives as well.”

5. WISDOM OF THE CARPENTER – 365 Prayers and Meditations of Jesus from The Gospel of Thomas, Lost Gospel Q, Secret Book of James and The New Testament - by Ron Miller with an Introduction by Marcus Borg who says “I welcome you to this book. May it enlighten your days.”...”Open this book to any page and contemplate (Jesus’) profound words. The accompanying author comments introduce to you to new interpretations of Jesus’ wisdom while a brief prayer brings Jesus’ message directly into your daily life.”

—and two books based on a spiritual and psychological system which could be of interest to anyone with an interest in delving a bit deeper into that arena – **DISCOVER YOUR SOUL POTENTIAL – Using the Enneagram to Awaken Spiritual Vitality** by Kathy Hurley and Theodorre Donson – and – **THE WISDOM OF THE ENNEAGRAM – The Complete Guide to Psychological and Spiritual Growth for the Nine Personality Types** by Don Richard Riso and Russ Hudson. — Curious? Come take a look —

—BROWSE – BORROW — BRING BACK —

—Edie Orner, Librarian for the Adult Parish Library

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Employment requires commitment to a two-hour shift each weekday, except holidays. Work site is in downtown Corvallis, near OSU campus. Transportation needed for one hour-long courier round trip to Albany each week. Compensation is \$15 per hour. Paid training. Official start is early June. Additional hours to assist counselors with insurance billings may be added soon.

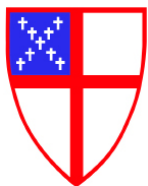
To apply, submit (1) cover letter describing qualifications and interest, (2) résumé, and (3) three references with contact information to:

Director
Pastoral Counseling Center
602 SW Madison Ave.
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pcc6madison@gmail.com

For additional information, contact Ed Curtin, administrator: 541-753-9217, extension 6, or pcc6madison@gmail.com. Visit our website for additional information: <http://www.pastoralcounseling-oregon.org>.

The Pastoral Counseling Center has a 38-year history of serving the residents of Benton and Linn counties, especially those with low income or no insurance. Our mission is “to promote psychological wellness and personal wholeness to all” and to provide professional clinical counseling services (and faith-based pastoral counseling *when requested*) to individuals, couples and families “based on their need for care rather than their ability to pay.”

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