



JUNE – 2017
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Happy Father's Day to all the wonderful men in our congregation. You are always there to love and support us in everything we do. You willingly do whatever we ask you to do at church from being a substitute usher or reader to putting out the flag, setting up tables and chairs and caring heavy things. Thank you for all you do. There will be special goodies just for you.

REGIONAL MEETING

The Spring Regional Meeting was held Saturday, May 20th at Grace Church in Ellensburg. Robin Bergh graciously offered to drive us down. Thanks, Robin. Attending were Pia LeMaster, Jeanne Hires, Marilyn McCullough and Robin. Marilyn+ went early to set-up and plan the meeting with Francis Twigg, the priest from Wenatchee. Bishop Gretchen was able to participate in the meeting, which we were all excited about. We had a spiritual discernment exercise in which we, as a church, were asked to choose a bible story or phrase that best describes our congregation. We chose "Pilgrims on a Journey". We discussed how we as a church family, guide, support and walk with each other on this journey of faith. We also defined Congregational Development. Bishop Gretchen told us a little about her childhood, schooling, teaching and clergy experiences. It was all very interesting. The Fall Regional meeting will be September 30 in Ephrata.

SILENT AUCTION

Our silent auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 10th from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Set up will be Friday, June 9th at 1:00pm. We can use all the help we can get in these days. There is a sign up paper in the parish hall for working shifts. We'd like at least 4 people for each shift, 2 on the auction floor and 2 in the kitchen at the pie social. We also need pies for the pie social, just drop them off that Friday or Saturday. There is also a sign up paper for the kind of pies that you can bring so we don't get too many of the same type. This is our major fundraiser with proceeds to go into the general fund. You can drop off items for the auction any time now until the auction. Thanks ahead of time for any help you can give.

GRADUATION SUNDAY

Pie Todd, our 2017 Oroville High School graduate, was celebrated during coffee hour after church on Sunday, May 21st. Jeannie decorated with balloons in school colors and set a festive table. There was a delicious chocolate cake, with a miniature mortar board and diploma on top, with "Congratulations, Pie" written in frosting. Pie was given a beautiful cross necklace from our church. We all wish Pie the best as she attends Central Washington University this fall.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Trinity hosted the June 1st Baccalaureate Service. There were about 65 people in attendance, eleven of them, the graduates. Marilyn+ and five pastors from the community spoke to the graduates, their family and friends. It was very inspiring to everyone gathered. There were cookies and veggie and fruit trays following. Thanks to everyone that brought goodies and helped set-up and clean up.

FAMILY NIGHT

The May 24th family night was a record low number, 6 people. I don't know if it was because family night always fall on the fourth Wednesday of each month and May had 5 Wednesdays and people were confused. A reminder to always check your newsletter and weekly bulletin. Definitely lots of food to divide up and take home after. The entertainment for the evening was Dennis Wilder teaching us the physical therapy steps for a torn rotator cuff. Very interesting stuff. The majority of Bishop's Committee member were present so we decided to skip family nights for June, July and August. August will have the annual picnic, to be announced at a later date.

The Vicar's Notebook

For me, Eastertide was concluded with the great blessing of being able to do the services in Chelan and Winthrop: And you bet I took every percussion instrument I could find that those congregations could participate in our raucous rendition of "Lord of the Dance" brought to us by our organist, Cathy Stangland. They did a great job and found the same uplifting joy that we have found in rejoicing together through music.

To serve at these two places involved about a 300 mile round trip. It gave me plenty of time to think and what I pondered is that just like our walk with Christ, sometimes it's the journey and sometimes it is the destination: And sometimes it is the blessed combination of both and that is what I was given.

There could not have been more beautiful days to travel but it is not always that way. As in our lives, there are the not-so-pleasant days where we make our way around obstacles and disappointments but know that God is with us. That faith gives us hope and perseverance. And sometimes the way is smooth as we travel only to find that God had a different destination or outcome for us. Acceptance is also a part of our faith, knowing that where we are is where we are meant to be as we live out our lives as followers of Jesus. *Marilyn+*

MINUTES OF THE BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETIN -- MAY 16, 2017

The meeting was held at noon, with Jeanne providing a delicious lunch. The Rev. Marilyn began the meeting with a prayer. Rev. Marilyn also read a scripture for our reflection and discussion.

PRESENT: The Rev. Marilyn Wilder, Dennis Wilder, Jeanne Hires, Pia Lemaster, Perry Blackler, Alison Blackler, and Marilyn McCullough.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Dennis moved the minutes be accepted; Perry seconded; approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nancy was unable to attend, but called in the figures. The beginning balance was \$4,185.60. Receipts are \$2,876.75. April expenses are \$4,503.20. April ending balance is \$2,559.14.

WARDEN'S REPORT: The Silent Auction will be held Saturday, June 10, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Set up will be Friday, June 9, at 1:00 pm. Our Pie Social will be held at the same time as the Silent Auction and we will need pies. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board for volunteers. Rev. Marilyn will make 16 posters to advertise our Silent Auction and Pie Social. Clyde Andrews will be asked to print the posters in color for us. Posters will be available on Sunday, May 28.

CLERGY REPORT/WORSHIP & MINISTRY: The Spring Regional Meeting will be held at Grace Episcopal Church in Ellensburg, on May 20, from 9:30 am until 3:30 pm. We will need to leave Oroville at 5:30 am. A discussion will be held on our congregation's greatest need and three ministry areas we can teach others, plus three ministry areas we want to learn about. Our ministry areas include the suitcase ministry, Christmas party for children, sewing projects, such as the tote bags and potholders, and making cat pillows from scraps for the cat rescue. Areas we would like to learn about include the life packs to be given out, Second Harvest, food programs and activities for children in need during summer, and movies for kids in summer. Our congregation's greatest need is to know how to evangelize and reach people.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Dennis reported that the irrigation has been turned on, and several sprinklers have been replaced or repaired. Dennis will need help digging up the concrete corner and mixing concrete to be poured. He will need three or four men to help lift the concrete bags. He will check into renting a concrete mixer. A work day will be set up in June to do this work. Dennis has received one bid so far on replacing the roof with a metal roof. The church roof estimate is \$12,000.00 for a metal roof with exposed fasteners, \$14,000.00 for hidden fasteners. The parish hall estimate is \$12,215.00 for exposed fasteners, \$15,458.00 for hidden fasteners. Dennis will obtain another bid so that we will have two bids. Discussion and decision will be made after we have the two bids.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20, at noon. Friends and family night will be cancelled for the summer. Graduation Sunday for Pie Todd will be held on Sunday, May 21. Anne has ordered a cake, and Rev. Marilyn has purchased a cross to be given to Pie.

MISSION AND OUTREACH: The money from our Bingo nights has been sent to the Oroville Food Bank. Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Marilyn McCullough, Secretary

