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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

604 Central Oroville, Wa *Jeanne Hires, editor*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day to all the women in our church. Mother's Day isn't just for mothers but grandmothers, aunts and all women. We are all caregivers and nurturer's in one way or another. Please join us in honoring each other and receiving a carnation.

HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY

Maundy Thursday was held in the parish hall. The tables were set in a U shape with the altar at the head which was draped in a dark red cloth, fitting the occasion. There were 12 people in attendance. At the Eucharist the bread and wine were passed around the tables, maybe similar to the Last Supper. Catherine Stangland came with her guitar and we sang two hymns, which was a very nice addition to the service. A potluck was held following the service. Then the altar was stripped in the silent, darkened church. A bible passage was read. It was all very inspiring.

The Rev. Marilyn held a solemn and meaningful Good Friday service at noon April 14th. There were 5 people there and all took part in the service. Catherine Stangland led us in a hymn.

EASTER SERVICE & POTLUCK

What a joyous Easter service! There was the traditional flowering of the cross and favorite seasonal music. Catherine Stangland had us sing the great AMEN. We also sang "Lord of the Dance" which includes many percussion instruments. Adding to the celebration was Hilary's beautiful arranging of the Easter lilies and window boxes. Thank you Hilary. There were 46 at the service with some leaving before the potluck. Our Easter potluck was held after coffee hour. There were forty-two in attendance, which included friends and family, some from other churches and out of town. Before we sat down to eat, there was an Easter Egg Hunt for those interested, which of course, included Cecelia, our youngest participant. Hilary had cheery centerpieces on each table, with potted spring flowers and Easter eggs. An abundance of delicious dishes were on the buffet table, with more than enough food for everyone. A good time was had by all. Everyone seemed to enjoy the gathering and some stayed and helped clean up and do dishes, which was appreciated.

REGIONAL MEETING

The Spring Regional Meeting will be held at Grace Episcopal Church in Ellensburg on Saturday, May 20. We will need to leave Oroville about 5:30 am. Robin will be asked if she can drive her van so that others can go with her. There will be a sign up paper in the parish hall so we can determine how many are going. Our new Bishop Gretchen Rehberg will be speaking at the meeting. We will also be discussing our greatest need for congregational development and possible solutions.

GRADUATION SUNDAY

Graduation Sunday will be May 21. Pia & Joe LeMaster's daughter, Pie Todd will be graduating from Oroville High School June 3rd. We will honor her and celebrate her accomplishments at the service and with a cake and decorations following. Trinity will give her a cross necklace to remember the day. Please join us in congratulating her.

AYA CRUSPERO

Aya Cruspero, Joe & Pia's other daughter was on the Dean's List at Wenatchee Valley College with all A's. Congrats Aya on your hard work. We are all very proud of you.

FAMILY NIGHT

Family night was held Wednesday, April 26th. There were only 8 people in attendance. There were a variety of wonderful dishes as usual. This was our last bingo night until next January. We have really enjoyed playing and discovering the imaginative prizes. Thank you Dennis Wilder for being our excellent bingo caller (and Gail, for subbing for Dennis at this night.) The next family night will be May 24th at 5:30pm.

*The
Vicar's
Notebook*

What a beautiful and raucous Easter Sunday! The privilege of worshipping together and rejoicing in the resurrection was heart-felt at Trinity Church.

That great depth of thankfulness and joy that we felt was only a portion of what the disciples must have felt at the return of their beloved Jesus. But things are different. They now have knowledge of life beyond death and they have work to do. It is easy at the moment, for they are riding high on the resurrection, filled with love, enthusiasm and thankfulness.

The up-lifting Easter Morning that we experienced is our own encounter with the resurrection; and we also have work to do. It is work that will be 'not work' if we will carry with us to share with others, the message of acceptance by a loving God. Remembering the delight of our gathering at Easter will fill our spirit to support our encounters with those who seek more in life.

I am sure that our rendition of "Lord of the Dance" accompanied by a great variety of percussion instruments and noise makers, was heard in the heavens. Let us be that bold in telling others of our faith.

Marilyn+

SILENT AUCTION

Just another reminder to keep looking through your closets and attics for treasures in good condition for our annual silent auction happening Saturday, June 10th. You may bring items to the church to store at any time.

MINUTES OF THE BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 18, 2017

Jeanne was unable to attend our noon meeting, but left a delicious lunch for us. The Rev. Marilyn began the meeting with a prayer. Rev. Marilyn also read a scripture for our reflection.

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nancy explained the report. The taxes have been paid, and two askings have been paid. Seventeen pledges have been turned in. March receipts are \$2,727.58. March expenses are \$2,495.65. Checkbook balance is \$4,185.60. Dennis moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted; Perry seconded; approved.

WARDEN'S REPORT: Rev. Marilyn gave the report. Hilary Blackler will write thank you notes to Donna Hedland for helping us with the tote bags and to John and Becky Desjardins for donating the supplies for our Pancake Supper. Approval was given for funds to purchase flowers for Mother's Day. Rev. Marilyn asked for approval to reimburse Robin Bergh in the amount of \$75.00 for gas for driving to Spokane for the ordination of Bishop Rehberg. Perry moved, Nancy seconded, approved.

It was decided a tithe in the amount of \$70.00 will be sent to John and Becky in the name of "No Paws Left Behind". A dinner gift certificate for two from the Twelve Tribes Casino will be sent to John and Becky to thank them for their donation of supplies for our Pancake Supper. Alison moved we send the checks; Perry seconded; approved.

CLERGY REPORT/WORSHIP AND MINISTRY: The Spring Regional Meeting will be held at Grace Episcopal Church in Ellensburg on Saturday, May 20. We will need to leave Oroville about 5:30 am. Robin will be asked if she will drive her van so that others can go with her.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Dennis reported that work on the area behind the church where benches will be installed, will not be done until Hilary can get the spring bulbs dug up. We have another roof leak that will need to be repaired. A new metal roof needs to be considered when the church roofing is replaced. Dennis will obtain two bids from roofers. The fence will be stained when the weather is dry.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: The next Bishop's Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, at noon. The next Friends and Family Night will be held on Wednesday, April 26, at 5:30 pm. This will be the last Bingo night. Please be looking for silent auction items for our auction on June 10. The tentative date for Graduation Sunday for Pie Todd is May 21. Rev. Marilyn has purchased a cross for Pie.

MISSION AND OUTREACH: Rev. Marilyn reported that the Bishop's Chapel in Methow might be interested in our Foster Child Suitcases.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Marilyn McCullough, Secretary