

ST. PAUL'S BELL

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
An open and inclusive congregation
Port Townsend, Washington

May 2011



Dear Saints of St. Paul's,

It is the beginning of May and we are one week into our 50 days of Easter celebration together—the days we pay our best attention to those first days the apostles were sometimes giddy, sometimes frightened, sometimes holding back, and sometimes opening their hearts and minds wholly to the amazing possibility of Resurrection Life.

For us at St. Paul's, the 50 days of our Easter celebration call us to pay attention, along with the first apostles. The month of May will probably find us sometimes giddy, sometimes frightened, sometimes holding back, and sometimes opening our hearts and minds to Resurrection Life in the days that follow Easter 2011. We are all called to give our best attention to the close of our purchase of the Judy property and all its amazing possibilities of Resurrection life; to a Godly play sermon on Sunday, the 15th; to our Staff Retreat for envisioning the 2011-2012 program year ahead; to an Evensong with the Cathedral Boys and Girls Choir from St. Mark's on Memorial Day weekend... The amazing possibilities for Resurrection Life are endless – literally! And that's before we even get to June and Ascension Day (June 2) and the Feast of Pentecost (June 12).

On that joyous festival day (complete with flame colors and barbeque all together), we will also have arrived at my anniversary of five years as Rector of St. Paul's, Port Townsend. On that Day of Pentecost, all of us will be called into a summer full of renewal and blessing and promise for God's loving work on the corner of Jefferson and Tyler. It is going to be a very special summer indeed...

Priests of the Diocese of Olympia are directed to "three months sabbatical leave to be taken after each five-year's tenure." For you and me at St. Paul's, that sabbatical time will begin the day after Pentecost: Monday, June 13th, and conclude when I return in September in plenty of time for "Launching Sunday" on September 11th. It is just about impossible for me to imagine being away from all of you and ministry in this beloved place for almost three whole months, *and*—whether I can imagine it or not—that time is coming!

My sabbatical time will be divided between some vacation travel (beginning in Athens and ending in Istanbul, with days on the Black Sea in between), some study and exercise, and a retreat with my spiritual director at her convent in California. Sabbatical means rest and renewal and a different way of living in time—both *kairos* and *chronos*.

And, this sabbatical time is meant for St. Paul's, too, with amazing possibilities for Resurrection Life both in *kairos* time and *chronos* time. While I am gone, the presiders and preachers on Sunday mornings at 8 AM and 10 AM will be a sabbatical gift of 6 different priests (2 Sundays each) from all around the Diocese. Most are young and/or newly ordained. All are very fine priests and very different, each one from the other. What a bounty of *the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth of the fullness of God* Paul prays for in Ephesians 3. I promise you: each of them knows the different worship ways of our 8 and 10 congregations and looks forward to them! This is a project that Joan Anthony (the Canon to the Ordinary) and I have been working on for several months, and we are very excited for these priests to come to know St. Paul's and for St. Paul's to come to know them!

Our treasured Associates Emeriti (Gene Holly, Bill Maxwell, Russ Minter, Bob Powers, and John Staples) will be celebrating all our Wednesday 10:30 Eucharists and will be available for Karen to call upon for pastoral emergencies. Our 3rd Liturgy will continue to be planned by that congregation and its own rotation of celebrants.

For me and my heart, leaving for those three summer months will only be possible because I will be returning in September to the beginning of the next years ahead of me as Rector in this family of God, with love!

Elizabeth+

Rejoice now, heavenly host and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout salvation.

These are the words that began the Great Vigil of Easter announcing the beginning of our Easter celebration, the celebration where we kindled the new fire at our Easter Vigil on the labyrinth, which lit our Paschal Candle that will burn for the next 50 days as a symbol of our new life, the inextinguishable light of Christ.

When you receive this month's *Bell* we will already be into what the church calls the great fifty days of Easter. It is a time to *rejoice and be glad*, to drink in this new life we have been given, this new way of being with God and Jesus. This is a time to loll and bask, if you will, in the joy of Resurrection life.

We often overlook these days, thinking that Easter is over after Easter Sunday, but oh! the rejoicing has just begun. I like to think of Eastertide as a time that can fill our psyches with joy; a time that allows us to be with the risen Jesus, to experience him like the disciples did, as he came in and out of their lives in the days following the Resurrection. It is a time to ponder and examine the gospels and the Book of Acts that we will hear from on these next seven Sundays that tell the stories of Jesus reappearing among them. They are stories that fill us with light and hope and help us to consider what this Resurrection life means to us.

And in our pondering and considering, we may just find Jesus walking among us on our own roads to Emmaus, at our beach-side walks and picnics, at our festivals and gatherings, at Wednesday Soup or in the gardens we are tending and planting at St. Paul's or at home.

This kind of pondering, looking and being in Resurrection life is what the Wednesday Evening Book group will begin doing on May 4th, as we begin reading Sara Miles' book, *Jesus Freak: Feeding, Healing, Raising the Dead*. This book, Miles' second, talks about what it means to live in the Resurrection life, and as Sara Miles herself says, "*to be Jesus.*"

The group will meet every Wednesday at 7:00 pm, through June 8th in my office in Fenn House, at the same time the children's choir is rehearsing. This particular study will take us all the way through these great fifty days Easter. All are welcome to join in the discussion at any time. Books will be available in the office for those who are interested in taking part.

I wish you all a blessed fifty days of Easter as you are being continually filled with Resurrection love and joy.

Karen

MAY 2011

One of the things I love best about being part of Church School at St. Paul's is the open invitation and love we have for ALL children. They don't have to prove athletic ability, be musical, artistic, or read well. While the children have these gifts, and many more, their gifts are not why they are held in high esteem. They are loved simply because they are on this earth and children of God. In children's busy lives of sports activities, lessons and extra classes, the children are welcomed at St. Paul's simply to **be** and explore their relationship with the sacred. No qualifications required.

Our curriculum for coming weeks of Eastertide extends the experience of Easter, and helps prepare for the coming Mystery of Pentecost. This period is a transition between Jesus' earthly ministry and the coming of the Holy Spirit. It is a time when the disciples and others are beginning to know Jesus in a new way. He is neither simply human nor is he simply spiritual. He is both in a way that is a mystery. The lessons **Knowing Jesus in a New Way** complete the experience of the Holy Trinity as "the three great times" of the Church Year.

May 1- **Known in Absence**- In this lesson the children learn how three Marys went to the tomb to bring spices to finish Jesus' burial, but the tomb was empty. Upon returning to tell the disciples, most did not believe them. Peter and John ran to the tomb, and seeing it empty, they left. Jesus then appeared to Mary Magdalene and asked her why she wept.

May 8- **Known in the Breaking of the Bread**- this second week after Easter the children's lesson focuses on the disciples knowing Jesus on the road to Emmaus and in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:13-35)

May 15- **Known in Doubt**- This continues the time of Easter, and helps prepare for coming close to Pentecost. It signifies a transition time between Jesus' earthly ministry and the discovering of God's presence both as Creator and in the Incarnation, and also as the Holy Spirit within ourselves. The lesson this week is the story of Thomas (Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-29) often called "the Doubter" because he could not believe that Jesus was risen until he saw Jesus for himself. The lesson ends with Jesus' words "Blessed are those who have not seen and believe"

May 22nd- **Known in the Morning**- Our focus in this lesson is on the story of the encounter the disciples had with Jesus on the beach after fishing all night (John 21:1-23) The lesson includes these beautiful words between Jesus and Peter when Jesus tells Peter "feed my sheep, tend my sheep, feed my sheep."

May 29- **Known in Making Him Known**- This lesson is the story of Jesus giving what is commonly known as "the Great Commission" (Matthew 28:16-20). "Go everywhere. Tell my story, even this part, to everyone. Show the how to be good disciples." Tell them the story so they can become part of it. This was too much for the disciples, and then in their dismay they heard him say, "I am with you always to the end of the age." They had been followers—sheep; now they were to be leaders and shepherds.

The season of Eastertide is so rich for the children, and for all of us.

What a blessing it is to work with the children of St. Paul's!

Ann Raymond



It is hard to believe that we have finished the first quarter of the year. You should by now have received your statement of pledge payments for the first quarter. If you did not, or you have any questions about the statement, please call or email me, 437-9501; esepesy@msn.com.

The mid-year report should be out in July and I will have more information on the status of the budget income and expenses.

Thank you for all your patience and help. Being treasurer has given me the chance to meet so many of you and I am grateful for that. St Paul's is blessed with a wonderful congregation.

Elizabeth Sepesy
Treasurer

FROM OUR SENIOR WARDEN

Have you ever been listening to a sermon at church when a certain phrase or expression catches your attention? Catches your attention enough to stop your thoughts? To have you pondering, and almost miss the rest of the sermon?

Sunday, April 10th, it happened to me. The Reverend Janet Campbell was discussing change when she said something to the effect, "...what if the fear of change is the *absence* of God?... What if God is to be found in the place that change would take you?" **WHAT? WOW!** How many times have I held back from taking a chance? Kept the status quo because it was what I knew. How many times have I resisted a change? Sometimes resisted for years!

And why? Fear mostly. Fear of the unknown. Fear of uncomfortableness. Fear of making things worse. ... Only then, to *find* God in that change. A peace. A new vision. A trust. Followed by the inevitable, "Why did it take me so long to see?!"

I sometimes wonder, if I'd only made some of my most difficult, most time-consuming changes earlier, resisted a little less, where would I be? Younger, for one. What if I'd been more trusting of where God was leading me?

What if...

What if, just once, we loosened our grasp on some resistance just a little...

Would God be there? Just on the other side? Waiting.

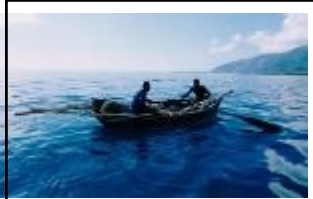
Next time, I'm going to try.

Peggy St. Clair

COMING IN JUNE



Three St. Pauls' parishioners—Margaret McGee, Roberta Hiday, and Ann Raymond—have formed a new venture to offer pilgrimage-themed spiritual programs in Port Townsend. The first offering of **Pilgrimage Port Townsend, LLC**, a one-day pilgrimage called "Finding Home," will be a **free** event for the local community, held on a Saturday in June. Details to follow in the June Bell – or just ask Margaret, Roberta, or Ann what we're up to. We'd love to have you join us on pilgrimage.



Fishing is a major industry.

As we announced in last month's Bell, the Outreach Committee selected St. Paul's in Montrouis (pronounced as two syllables, Mohn-trwee), a coastal fishing town located 75 km (about 48 miles) north of Port au Prince in Haiti. Through the Partnership Program Coordinator for the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti, we have been in direct contact with Pere Jean Jaques Deravil (pair djahn djahk dare-ah-veel) of the Haitian St. Paul's.

St. Paul's of Montrouis has 300 active members and a school of 315 students in kindergarten through 9th grade. Of first priority, they look to build four classrooms and a computer room at a total cost of about \$25,000. So far, they have received \$5,000 from various sources.

We'll keep you updated with news and photos as this exciting project takes shape.

Outreach Team



Some of St. Paul's schoolchildren.

LAY WEEDERS

There is a great instant satisfaction in gardening. Your handiwork is alive and growing, and you can immediately admire the neatness of that weed-free bed, the new flowers, the trimmed shrubbery. And did we mention the healthful benefits of stretching and exercise? This can all be yours.

Please come and dig, prune, plant, rake, water, and weed with us! No experience is necessary – really.

We meet the first and third Thursdays, **May 4 and 18**, at 10 am.

Info: Val Johnstone, 385-2830



NEED A RIDE?

Certainly, car pooling is smart and conserving of resources, almost always a wise choice. But many of us have no choice but to utterly rely on carpooling, public transportation, or a lift when needed. So how do rider and ride connect?

Check out the ride board in the parish hall; it is designed to expedite those connections between people needing a ride and people willing to provide one.

If you can offer rides, attach your name; if you need a ride, attach your name.

You can also contact the office at 385-0770 to have a card put up for you.



This month, Polly Fish interviews **Sakura Davis**.

Sendai, a city of over a million, where Sakura Davis grew up, is in northeastern Japan and almost directly west of the epicenter of the 9.0 earthquake that struck on March 11, 2011. The outskirts of the city, along the coast, were devastated and the damage incalculable. But more than the quake itself, it was the following tsunami which wrought havoc in Sendai. Giant waves flooded the city's airport, submerged houses, and left ships stranded on its 6-mile rush inland.

Almost paralyzed with shock when she heard the news, Sakura feared for her family still in Sendai—two brothers and two sisters. "They were all right" she was able to tell us after the 10 AM service only two days after the disaster. For the first few weeks after the quake, although without water and electricity, they were still all right. "They finally were able to fill their gas tank and drive to the local grocery store. But," Sakura added, "there was very little there for the survivors who stood in line."



"I used to love taking the train along the shoreline just east of Sendai, through the little towns there," Sakura explained. "It was so scenic, so beautiful. Now there is nothing but rubble. I'm having a very difficult time trying to reconcile in my mind to what is God's will and what we are supposed to learn from this."

The Beautiful City of Trees, as Sendai is called, suffered air raids during World War II. Sakura, a child at the time, remembers it well. She remembers standing in line for food. Then, like now, there was deprivation everywhere.

After the Korean War when Sakura was nineteen, she married an American army lieutenant. "I had relatives in New Orleans so the US wasn't entirely foreign to me," she explained, "but I did have culture shock in Fort Benning in segregated southern Georgia. I didn't know what part of the bus to ride in."

Now, fifty years later, Sakura is very much at home in the States, although she says that sometimes the English language still eludes her, which is very troubling. That tiny handicap doesn't slow down this strong woman, whose name means Cherry Blossom. On her own now, she has raised three children, survived a divorce, the death of her second husband, and most recently, the death of Chris Stafford, her soul mate. He was a talented architect who designed her environmentally friendly house and studio in Port Townsend.

Ah, the studio, rather art gallery. Drawing since she was a little girl, with her photographer-father's encouragement, Sakura found her medium, batik. She has taught this unusual art form for thirty years, and continues doing so, but only with four students at a time. Perhaps you've seen her work at the St. Nicholas Faire. Two of her children have decided artistic bents. Elizabeth is, according to her mother, a cutting-edge artist in Seattle. Peter is, like his grandfather, a photographer. Kenneth has a more prosaic career in computers.

Relief efforts for Japan are worldwide. St. Paul's is raising funds, and has already sent \$3000 to the Episcopal Disaster Relief fund, earmarked for Sendai. "A friend of mine, whom I've not seen for years, called me from Alexandria, Virginia," Sakura said. "Her church is raising funds for my home town, too." She proudly told us that her daughter has raised a goodly sum in Seattle for Sendai relief.

Speechless in church when news of the donations was announced, Sakura felt so emotional she couldn't stand up or raise her head to say thank you. She thanks you all and asks the Saints of St. Paul's to keep Japan in their thoughts and prayers. "It's important for my countrymen to know that they have not been forgotten." They won't be. The Saints of St. Paul's won't let that happen.

**“Domo Domo Arigato Gozaimas”
(Deeply grateful thank you)**

These words came by telephone to Sakura Davis from her brother Yo and his family living in Sendai when they learned of the generous relief donations and prayers from St. Paul's. Sakura wishes to thank St. Paul's on behalf of her family and all the families in Sendai with these words: Domo Domo Arigato Gozimas.



CREATION CARE CORNER

from

St. Paul's Greening Task Force

SAVE THE DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 6:30 pm!

As the next event in the continuing Christian Education series,

Jessie Dye

Program and Outreach Director for Washington Interfaith Power and Light will present



...of carbon, that is

A program for individuals, families, churches and businesses
PLUS an Interfaith panel discussion

We'll be inviting members of Pt Townsend's Interfaith community,
and the event will be preceded by a local-food Soup Supper.

For more information, contact Kate (379-9721) or Val (385-2830)

Ministry	May 1 Second Sunday of Easter	May 8 Third Sunday of Easter	May 15 Fourth Sunday of Easter	May 22 Fifth Sunday of Easter	May 28 Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acolytes 8am 10am	Lydia Hiday	David Hiday	Lexie Ritter	Marie Bishop	Cody Carpenter
Eucharist 8am Minister 10am	Sandy Dengler Roberta Hiday	Tom Dunkerton John Austin	Will Kalb Sheila Hunt-Witte	Michael Bloch Ginny Ford	Margaret McGee Kate Bast
Lectors 8am 10am	L&C L&C	Sally Scholz Sally Gooding Teresa Carpenter	John Davis Bernie Stechman George Thomsen	Sue Maxwell Victoria McKinnon Scott Cassill	Jane Griffin Marie Bishop Shu DeLapp
Prayers / People			Kathy Couch		
Healing 8am Intercessors 10am	Vern Jones Kathy Couch		Roberta Hiday		
Greeters Welcomers	Joe Nuber Ann Bambrick Mary Lee Pabst	Katie Fleming Ann Bambrick Mary Lee Pabst	Peggy St. Clair Ann Bambrick Mary Lee Pabst	Katie Fleming Ann Bambrick Mary Lee Pabst	Joe Nuber Ann Bambrick Mary Lee Pabst
Oblations 8am 10am	Arlene Nesbitt Bernie Stechman	Chom Im Pray Sally Gooding	Meredith Lowry Val Johnstone	Maurie Chiswell	Katie Fleming
Bread Baker	Kathy Couch		Peggy St. Clair		Linda McKenzie
Ushers 8am 10am	Bob Nesbitt John Stechman	Bob Pray David Gooding	Bill Lowry Ryan Davis	Owen Mulkey Alfred Chiswell	Bob Foster Keith Fleming
Church School	Ann Raymond	Ann Raymond	Ann Raymond	Ann Raymond	Ann Raymond
Coffee Hosts	Ryan & Roger Davis	Candace Hulbert Linda Nolan	Joan & Dwight Nicholson		
Eucharistic Vis- itors	Kitty & Ken Evans	Sally Scholz Ginny Ford	Kate Bast Linda Nolan	Sue Maxwell Katie Fleming	John Staples Roberta Hiday
Altar Guild	Team 1	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6	Team 1
Flowers	Sally & Al Scholz	Elizabeth & Ste- phen Sepesy	Elizabeth & Seamus Sims	Rose & Imre Horvath	M. Betty Johnson

<p>Acts 2:14a,22-32 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 Psalm 16</p>
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<p>Acts 2:14a,36-41 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35 Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17</p>
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<p>Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10 Psalm 23</p>

<p>Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14</p>

<p>Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:7-18 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21</p>
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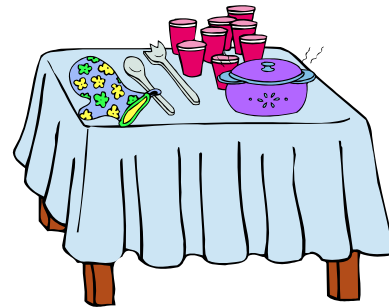
ONGOING WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays and Fridays, 5 pm: Overeaters Anonymous (PR)
 Tuesdays 3-6: Poetic Justice; 3-9 Soup Preparation
 Thursdays 3:30-6: Bet Shira School; 7: Choir Rehearsal

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18 Holy Eucharist lessons/carols 10 Church School 10 Holy Eucharist lessons/carols 11:30 Sermon Reflection 12:30-2 Soup Kitchen	2 3-4:30 Women's Spiritual Growth Group	3	49-2 Prep & Soup Lunch 10:30 Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer 11-1 Knitters' Group (PR) 7-8 Children's Choir 7-8:30 Wed. Book Group	5 7-8 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study 9-12 Work Crew 10-12 Lay Weeders	6	7
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15 Holy Eucharist I 10 Church School 10 Holy Eucharist II 11:30 Sermon Reflection 12:30-2 Soup Kitchen	16 9:30-3 Staff Retreat 12:30-2 Book Group 3-4:30 Women's Spiritual Growth Group	17	18 9-2 Prep & Soup Lunch 10:30 Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer 6-8 GTF and Spiritual Formation and discussion 7-8 Children's Choir 7-8:30 Wed. Book Group	19 7-8 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study 9-12 Work Crew 10-12 Lay Weeders	20	21
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SECOND SATURDAY

Our monthly potluck is not only for gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, and transgendered parishioners to come together. Their partners, families, and friends will enjoy the evening as well. This pleasant social gathering, open to all, starts at **6:30, May 14**, in the Parish Hall.



EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will meet at 11 AM on Thursday, **May 12th** at the home of Cajsa DeGregorio, 2691 Wilson Street, Port Townsend. Co-hostess for this light lunch meeting will be Polly Fish. All women of St. Paul's are welcome. For information or directions call Cajsa at 379-4180.

ECW WANTS GREAT RECIPES

We are planning an Episcopal Church Women's Cookbook that will feature the recipes for some of the great food prepared by the saints of St. Paul's.

Please choose UP TO FIVE of your favorite recipes among these categories: Appetizers, Soups, Salads, Main Dishes, Side Dishes, Vegetables, Brunch, Breads, Cookies and Candies, International, Vegetarian, and Miscellaneous. Include your name, the number of servings, and an optional brief note, and send them to us in an email or as an email attachment to merolson@olympus.net OR legibly handwritten and placed in Val Johnstone's office box.



Please get them to us by JUNE 30. Thank you!

WILD MEN



Men of St. Paul's: You don't have to work this hard for a great meal! Simply join us in the parish hall, Friday, **May 27**, for steak, potatoes, salad, dessert, soft drinks, wine, and beer, all for \$10 at the door. Please make reservations on or before Wednesday the 25th, to ensure there will be enough of everything.

For reservations or more info: Bill Dengler, 379-0836,
bill_dengler@hotmail.com



OUR PRAYERS THIS MONTH

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER IN BODY, MIND, OR SOUL, ESPECIAL-

LY: Ken Long, Patricia Smith, Jean Nelson, Robert Pettengill, Patty Jarvis, Robert Lewis, Polly, Ross, Heather, Cal, Jan Crutcher, Nancy Navasard, Alicia Townsend, Megan, Barbara, Bev Riley, David Patrick Jr., Stella, Norm Baker, Scott Wicker, Joan Sampson, Bernard & Michael Murphy, Dawn Madary, John White, Jerry Minchin, Brenna McGinnis, Teresa Minger, Jeremy Clevenger, Jody Newton, Lori Robb, Peter, Paul, Olivia, Amanda, Julie, Deborah Johnson, Elizabeth Kelly, Judye Best, Diana Anderson, Karen DeGregorio, Tricia, Terrie Roberts, Denver, Dorie Arnold, Pat Kelly, René Ellis, Dale Moffett, Suzanne Schindler, Bonita F., Larry McNulty, Hazel Mollica, Linea Pay, El Sims, Beth Marin Naiomi, Rob Crow, Daniel Bayless, Carolyn Busse, Dixie Romadka, David, Marion, Don, Douglas, Odawni, Vern Jones, Laura Marszalek, Bernadette, David and Larry Bueter, Olivia Rodriguez, Dan and Mary, Ruff, Dee Stewart, Barbara Murphy, Bev Leitch, Pat, John Staples, and Sarah's family.



WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE CALLED INTO HARM'S WAY in service to this or any other land, especially: Richard Pries, Scott McNabb, Carmen McKenney, Matthew Lowry, Blaine Holt, Cameron Holt, Hayley Adams and Gabriel.

1 Sakura Davis	15 Bill Tarter	
7 Bob Pray	19 Theresa Carpenter	
8 Gene Holly	19 Winnie MacNair	
9 Jeff Stoch	22 Sydney Keegan	
11 Linda Nolan	30 Cajsja DeGregorio	
	4 Imre & Rose Horvath	19 Ray & Joyce Wenz
	11 Gene & Lois Holly	20 Mike & Laurabelle Ritter
	11 Stephen & Elizabeth Sepesy	28 Bob & Dorothy Schramek



**COME SEE!
OUR NEW BIKE RACK**
by the columbarium
Much thanks to
Steve Taylor for design
and instillation



Submitting Bell Material

The next deadline for articles is **April 16**. Send via email to sandydengler2@yahoo.com, mail to: Sandy Dengler c/o St. Paul's, or slip it into the editor's box in the office. Occasionally, I will edit for space or clarity. If you do not want to write an article, give me your info (379-0836). I will gladly prepare the article. **Bell folding day is Wednesday, April 27, at 11:00 am.**



Community Outreach Association Shelter Team

Jefferson County Winter Shelter

'Interfaith and community response to local shelter needs'

April 5, 2011

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

P.O. Box 753

Port Townsend, WA 98368

Dear Members of St. Paul's,

Thank you for answering the challenge of the Port Townsend Lighthouse Lions to pledge \$100 toward the purchase of the new energy efficient refrigerator. We enjoyed using the new refrigerator with freezer during Season 6. Even though the Winter Shelter is closed, we thank you for helping us provide a warm place for our guests to sleep and volunteers to bring in hot dinners every night. Your coordinator Peggy St. Clair deserves our appreciation for her work in coordinating this service opportunity for your faith based group and has been a willing participant on the COAST Board of Directors.

We appreciate the many ways your group has reached out in compassion and kindness to our guests. On behalf of COAST, please thank your members for their support in keeping the only winter shelter for adults open in Jefferson County. We look forward to working with you next season.

Sincerely,


Carl Hanson, COAST Co Chair
Jefferson County Winter Shelter

*Thank you for your significant role
you have all played to meet this
community need.
Carl*

Check # 5657 Dated 3-2-2011 Amount \$100.00

For the IRS purposes, no goods or services were exchanged as a result of this gift.

COAST P.O. Box 194 Port Hadlock, WA 98339



MAY 2011

THE RED THREAD PROMISE

Main office
4027 Dauphine Street
New Orleans, LA 70117
817 320.6522
redthreadpromise.org

March 29, 2011

St. Paul's
P O Box 753
Port Townsend, WA 98368-0753

Dear St. Paul's:

On behalf of The Red Thread Promise I want to thank you for your generous donation of \$1,000.00 (received March 28). We appreciate all our donors with their donations of prayer, time and resources.

The Red Thread Promise is a 501(c)(3), nonprofit organization. No goods or services were exchanged for this donation. Therefore it is tax deductible according to the IRS code.

Through the generosity of friends like you we are able to enrich the lives of children in Haiti at St. Vincent's Center for Handicapped Children School and Clinic with medical needs and supplies.

We appreciate your donation and count you among our supporters.

Thank you.
Wishing you a Blessed Day,

Kathy

Kathy Korge Albergate

Jennifer Avegno

Casey Fos

Erin Hardin

Sonja Iribarren

Doug Yencer

Sonya Yencer

Thank you so much
for your wonderful
donation through the
Disease of Olympia -
Follow us on our blog to
see how your donations
is being used at St. Vincent's.
Thank you

For updates please visit: www.redthreadpromise.org

FULFILLING GOD'S MISSION THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is the practice of celebrating all of life to be managed on God's behalf. Every day we see examples of how we are good stewards at St. Paul's of all God has entrusted us. Feeding the hungry with food and a welcoming hand at Just Soup, bringing Communion to those who are unable to attend the Eucharist in person, sharing conversation and companionship at coffee hours, teaching our children about the love of Jesus, and providing meals and lending a helping hand at the Homeless Shelter are just a few examples how we respond to God's grace with gratitude and generosity. It takes a tremendous effort by many volunteers to create, plan, support, and implement the numerous ministries and related programs that reach out to those who are in need of physical and spiritual nourishment. An important component of stewardship is to extend our gratitude to those who are making a difference in the world.

All of our ministries come together to form God's mission for St. Paul's. God's mission for us is to unconditionally love and care for everyone around us as Jesus taught us to do. We can fulfill God's mission by strengthening our ministries and spreading our generosity throughout our church, local, and world communities. Our faith, hope, and love empower us to answer God's call to the winning cause of mission. We have the key leaders, grassroots, and pastoral team whose best gifts are growing, developing, advancing, and building. These special gifts allow us to participate fully in the winning cause of God's mission. Our stewardship is in direct support of God's mission and its winning cause. Through the formation of a year-round stewardship program, we will not only become more aware of how we are accomplishing God's mission at St. Paul's but recognize how we can build upon our participation in the winning cause of God's mission.

Patrick Raymond
Stewardship Chair

"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me."

Then the righteous will answer Him, saying " ... When did we do these things...?"

"Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me."

Matthew 25:35-40

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Thanks to Ian and Rosalie Napier for eight books donated to the Free Book Shelf. The rolling cart in the Library has books that have been on journeys in someone's home and would like to continue on another journey. Take what you like, leave something for the next person, return something, or give one to a friend. The Napiers kindly let me choose what I thought is suitable for our parishioners.

LARGE SIZE books are shelved horizontally. Many of them are real jewels artistically and give a wealth of Christian history. Great for browsing! If you have a few extra minutes in the church you might enjoy leafing through one of the oversized books.

Karen D. Long, librarian



Remember the morass down by Jefferson Street that we tiptoed through or around each week? Our work crew on Thursday, April 7, prepared the bed and spread gravel across the front of the church property, bringing that mud hole to bay. They also installed an access ramp for persons with limited mobility. They meet on the first and third Thursdays each month and invite you to join them for fun and adventure of this sort.

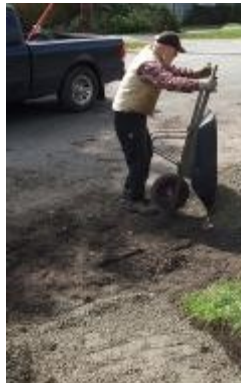
For info, call Doug McMinds, 385-2478



Preparing the ground



Delivery —>



Spreading and compacting the gravel —>



Shu deLapp graciously testing the ramp out for us

Pictured: Doug McMinds, John Davis, Warren Leitch, and Bill Dengler



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