

# ST. PAUL'S MESSENGER

## Message from the Rector

On this day the LORD has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

*Psalm 118:23-24*

This is the day that the Lord has made—let us rejoice and be glad in it! And let us rejoice in the month ahead, with spring flowers, the drama of the liturgical season, and the joy of being together in Christ.

I took this photo of daffodils for this month's letter because they always seem to me to be great trumpets of spring, of hope, and a call to gladness. Wordsworth refers to them as a "host"—dancing—and notes that a poet could not help but be gay in such "jocund company!" So, looking ahead just a bit, I look forward to seeing our Easter Cross adorned with daffodils and other spring flowers as we greet Easter Sunday with great joy. And then they will continue to lift our hearts in Eastertide as we rejoice in new life~ Alleluia!

But first, not to rush ahead, we will enter the month with the Triduum service: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday services all end without a dismissal—it is really one service continued through the Passion and the events before the discovery and celebration of the resurrection, which we mark with the Great Vigil of Easter and Easter Sunday services.

The Triduum basically walks us through the principal tenets of Christian faith and action—it's Christianity in a nutshell of three days. It begins with the Maundy Thursday call to servant ministry in love: *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, as I have loved you. John 13.34.*

It continues with the agony and helplessness of Christ's death on the cross, through which His death overcomes death and provides the way for all to life eternal; it includes the grief and waiting of the days in the tomb, when all seems hopeless and Jesus seems gone forever. And then comes the glorious celebration of finding Christ is risen!



### Daffodils (1804)

I WANDER'D lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the Milky Way,  
They stretch'd in never-ending line  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they  
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:  
A poet could not but be gay,  
In such a jocund company:  
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought  
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie  
In vacant or in pensive mood,  
They flash upon that inward eye  
Which is the bliss of solitude;  
And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.

*By William Wordsworth (1770-1850)*

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No more does death and the grave triumph—all is changed and life and joy is upon us! That is the Good News we proclaim and live out as we go into the world as Christians, transformed ourselves, and working with God to transform and reconcile all things in this life into the life of justice, peace and well-being that God intended from the beginning of creation.

After the great celebration of Easter, you might think that it's all downhill from there—but wait! As the Sunday readings in the season of Easter make clear, each day there is a new revelation of love and a call and encouragement to live ever more fully into a relationship of trust and unity with God. We will walk through the month seeking to develop a dependence upon God that will enable us to serve others in love and humility, with rejoicing. The last Sunday of April includes my favorite readings—all about sheep and The Great Shepherd! Good News, indeed!

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

*Peace be with you, Janet+*



### Holy Services and Parish Meetings

Sundays	8 am	Holy Eucharist
	9 am	Adult Forum
	10 am	Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee hour
Tuesdays	1 pm	Bible Study
Thursdays	noon	Healing Service
March 28 (Sunday)		Palm Sunday (Bishop Nedi here) Luncheon after the service Community Meal 4 pm
March 31 (Wednesday)		Compline 7 pm
April 1 (Thursday)		Maundy Thursday service 7 pm Garden of Gethsemane Vigil 9 pm-9 am
April 2 (Friday)		Good Friday service 12 noon Stations of the Cross 7 pm
April 3 (Saturday)		Men's Breakfast 7 am Holy Saturday service 10 am The Great Easter Vigil 8 pm
April 4 (Sunday)		<b>Easter Sunday</b> services 8 & 10 am
April 7 (Wednesday)		Parish Potluck 5:30 pm
April 14 (Wednesday)		Ladies Lunch Bunch 1 pm
April 18 (Sunday)		Messenger deadline
April 21 (Wednesday)		Vestry 7 pm

### Garden of Gethsemane Vigil

9 pm-9 am following the Maundy Thursday Service

Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway for times to maintain the vigil during the night.

### First Wednesday Potluck, April 6

Graze and chat at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6

Come hear John & Diane Adams and Harriet Langfeldt to show & tell about their latest mission trip to New Orleans.

### Ladies Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, April 14

Eucharist at the Chapel at noon  
Lunch at the Baldwin at 1 pm

RSVP to Gretchen at 296-5628  
Bring a friend and enjoy great food and fellowship

## SENIOR WARDEN'S UPDATE

Time marches on. We are leaning into Palm Sunday and then Holy Week. As you enter our Nave/Sanctuary, observe the barren surroundings. Drink it in. Everything has been simplified to help the true focus be on our walk with Christ leading up to and through Holy Week. During this Lenten season, many of us have given up something and/or added some feature daily to help us honor and sustain this focus. I have done both and yet still find myself getting caught up in old habits, "routine." Sometimes, I catch myself—and then sometimes God calls me on it! I need that!

One of the things I've tried to improve upon is my intercessory prayer life. If you believe in the power of prayer, then it makes sense to utilize it at every opportunity. It could be on bended knee at church, it could be in private or family prayer time at home, it could be waiting at a traffic signal. Wherever ~ whenever.

One of the precious gifts Janet has brought to us at St. Paul's is the weekly Healing Service—12:00 noon each Thursday. And it's not just intended for us—but is open to the public. Bring a family member or a friend. But, at the very least, come and *pray for them* as well as for your own needs. This is a true invitation to intercessory prayer. To me, this initially sounded like it was intended for physical healing. But it is soooo much more than that.

Here is an invitation to pray in community, but also privately. "*When two or more are gathered in My name....*" Such a loving opportunity to open what's in your heart to God—it could be concerns of any kind *for anyone* and/or it could be just because you are brimming with thanksgivings. We are invited (but it's not necessary) to join Janet privately in the side chapel for individual prayers. I often take a list—and my list usually includes "repeats." It's a blessing to have someone else give voice to the concerns and thanksgivings of your heart. It's uplifting, refreshing, feels hopeful. God's gift—and it is ours for the taking. Lent (but any time) is the right time to receive this gift as well as to give God the gift of your presence.

I attend each week and would consider it a privilege to give you a ride to and from the service—which lasts about 45 minutes. Plus, I'd enjoy your company!

In faith ~

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## Episcopal Minute from the Altar Guild

**PALM SUNDAY:** The Sunday before Easter, where Jesus' final and triumphal entry into Jerusalem is observed. In many Episcopal congregations the *passion narrative* is also read. Real palm branches or crosses made from palms (or both) are usually distributed to the congregation. In some churches, Palm Sunday palms are saved and later burned to make the ashes for the next year's *Ash Wednesday* service.

**PASSION NARRATIVE:** The name given to the *gospel reading* on the Sunday of the Passion—*Palm Sunday*. The reading chronicles the final hours of Jesus' earthly ministry. The reading traditionally begins with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, and continues through his arrest, trial, crucifixion, and death. It is the longest lesson read in the Church year, and the only gospel reading with an option allowing the congregation to sit during the first part of the reading. In many parishes the narrative becomes a passion play. Specific roles (Pilate, Peter, etc.) are assigned to different persons, and the congregation plays the part of the crowd assenting to the crucifixion.

*Shirley Bjelland*

## April Birthdays ~

- 1 Julie Reynolds
- 2 Loye Ann May
- 2 Don Dickinson
- 4 Mary Crichton
- 5 Doris Smith
- 8 Carolyn Thomas
- 9 Doris Abrams
- 10 Verna Browne
- 10 John Hildebrand
- 17 Phyllis McDermid
- 18 Leonard Bailey
- 20 Pat Smith
- 20 Sandy Leibham
- 25 Wanda Olson
- 26 Tim O'Neil



## Tools for St. Paul's Haiti Project

We are collecting tools to support Fr. Noe and improve educational opportunities in Cap Haitien. All kinds of tools are needed, both for general repair and for the vocational school where students use tools to learn trades that will support them and their families.

Tools needed include screwdrivers, wrenches, socket sets, saws, drills, hammers, automotive tools, and so forth. The tools can be new or used, but used tools should be in good condition. Clean out your garage or basement—get rid of your extra tools—or go on a shopping trip to the local hardware store.

Donations will be collected in large boxes or a bin in the church narthex.

## Ragdolls to Love

If you would like to help make ragdolls to send to children in Haiti, please help yourself to the materials (patterns, fabric, etc.) on the table in the narthex. During Easter season, the ragdolls will be blessed and sent on their way.

## Habitat for Humanity

We still are looking for a volunteer coordinator and 5 to 6 volunteers to work half-day shifts, 3 days per week for up to nine months, on Janeal Booren's house.

If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board in the hall by the office.

## Ed Bonham at the Art Center

Longtime parishioner Ed Bonham, along with two other artists, Christine Knowles and Michael Stewart, will be featured during the month of April at The Dalles Art Center.

Over the years, Ed has taught watercolor classes and is a well-known and celebrated watercolorist. The Langfeldts and the Kices will be hosting the reception honoring the artists on Thursday, April 1, from 5-7 pm at the Art Center. Everyone is welcome. If you cannot make the reception, come by the Gallery at 220 East Fourth Street, The Dalles, which is open Tuesday-Saturday, 11-5 pm.

## **VESTRY IN MOTION**

One of the goals of your VESTRY is to make sure we connect with the members of our church family so that we hear from YOU and are acting on the thoughts YOU share. You'll see these names in print in other places, but just as a reminder:

Andrea Booren, Jill Durow, Pat Fowler, Robert Kirby, Ava Kerr, Julie Reynolds, Marilyn Roth, Diane Walworth, and (soon to be back from Iraq)—AMY McILVENNA!

Also: Janet, Monte, Laurance, and Jerry always welcome input at any time.

You'll find us regularly at services/coffee hours, the Adult Forum, the first Wednesday potlucks, Men's breakfasts, the Ladies' Lunch Bunch, noon Eucharist at Old St. Paul's on Wednesdays—just about any group gathering. So, share thoughts when you see us, give any one of us a call, or shoot an email. We're eager to hear from you. We're also looking forward to meeting with and hearing from Bishop Nedi after the Palm Sunday service/luncheon.

Let's all stay in the loop!

### **Outreach Committee**

March 5, 2010

Haiti: (International outreach) Our request for funding for the Eastern Oregon Haiti Project is under consideration by the Diocese. We also need donations of tools to send to Fr. Noe and the Trade School.

Food for the Poor: (International outreach) We will invite a representative from Food for the Poor to speak at St. Paul's, with a focus on their food distribution in Haiti.

Plant seedlings: (Local and international outreach) Pam would like to repeat this project that was so successful last spring. The money raised will be designated for Haiti.

Project I-84: (Local outreach) Ava Sue gathered information about highway cleanup; St. Paul's would be recognized on a highway sign as caregiver of a designated part of the highway. Anyone interested can sign up to take a safety training class. ODOT provides all supplies.

Micro finance: (International outreach) Ron and Steve met with Oiko Credit, an investment firm that supports lenders who provide micro loans in third world countries particularly to women striving for economic independence. Oiko Credit was started by the World Council of Churches. Any group investing with the company is guaranteed a 2% return, and the knowledge that their money is being used to help others. Second quarter thank offerings will be designated to support micro finance.

Habitat for Humanity: (Local outreach) Still seeking a coordinator for construction volunteers from St. Paul's.

Next meeting: April 9, 8 am.

### **Worship Committee**

March 2, 2010

- ◆ Planned Holy Week services
- ◆ Discussed Palm Sunday (when Bishop Nedi will be present)
  - ◇ Procession with palms, involving children
  - ◇ New chalices for the day, researched to be similar to those Jesus might have used
  - ◇ Luncheon to follow service
- ◆ Gretchen said Gary and Rita Bowne are willing to return with their music ministry
- ◆ Noted favorable response to removing platform from beneath the Altar. Dewanda said as a Worship Leader, the area is much more open and easier to work in
- ◆ Suggestion to move the choir into a position where they could more easily lead the congregational singing

Next meeting: July 6, 11:30 am.



## Spring Cleanup—a Success!

Thanks to all for the wonderful Spring Cleanup Day! We had a special reason to get spruced up this year—the Bishop’s official visit on Palm Sunday, March 28.

Thank you to the Adopt-a-Space crews who got so much of the outside of the church spruced up BEFORE our Cleanup Day—to all who helped on THE day, and to Laurance and Ava who spearheaded the feeding of one and all.

## Ascension/Cove Scholarship Fundraiser

Congratulations to Kim McCullough, Denise Beasley, the Lowe family, our Sunday Schoolers, and all of our fantastic cooks for the success of the Ascension/Cove Scholarship Fundraiser—not to mention the tasty morsels they provided. AND thank you to our Music Meisters—Lloyd Walworth and Sam Woolsey for leading us (not to mention entertaining us) with singing and laughter. Happy Birthday to Sage Luth as we celebrated his day with song and joy.

## Organic Seedlings for Sale

Get ready for spring and a bountiful garden! St. Paul's Outreach Committee is sponsoring a fund raiser for Haiti.

We are selling organic seedlings grown by a local organic family farmer, Lane McGill from Diamond M Organic. All proceeds of the sales will be given to a Haiti relief organization. Your purchase of these seedlings will help to support a local farmer, to support children and adults in Haiti, and to bring good, wholesome food to your own dinner table. What could be better? Each seedling costs \$3.00. The order form and description of the plants is on the bulletin board across from the office. Please place your order now for an expected delivery date in early to mid-May.

Our hats are off to Pat Fowler for being our 'chief' in organizing the Palm Sunday luncheon—including the table decorations

## WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS...

### For friends and family:

Lowry Browning and family  
Susan  
Caroline and Emma  
Joan  
Fr. Noe Bernier  
and the people of Haiti  
Mark Nelson  
David Youtz  
Robert Pierre  
Anthony Joseph  
Angela Delores  
Lida Beasley  
Dawn Jorgensen  
Piper  
Leslie  
Cathy Dahl  
Megan McCarren  
Bryon Nixon  
Bill Thomas  
Blake Gallagher  
Bonnie Myatt

### For those serving in the armed forces of our country:

Albert South  
Matthew Ketchum  
Jordan  
Joshua Smith  
Kyle McCullough  
Turf McCullough  
Amy and Gavin McIlvenna  
Jason Armstrong  
Kevin Extine  
Tim Gallagher  
Kevin Gross  
Gayle Johnson  
Travis Kennedy  
Robert Knick  
Ben Schloss  
Michael Stebbins

- ☀ Our thanks to the Financial Oversight Committee for supporting Jerry in his work with church financial matters: Jenny Curtis, Don Dickinson, Pat Fowler, and Ron Fullmer.
- ☀ Thank you to Shirley Bjelland, who has taken such care in providing the new protective coverings for our pottery candlesticks, chalices, and patens.
- ☀ It's worth repeating: Kudos to our upstairs Powder Room Angels for their recent renovation: Judy Reid, Ava Kerr, and Pat Fowler.
- ☀ Continued thanks to Rule, Lloyd, and our choir for the joy of music each and every Sunday.
- ☀ Enjoy the frequent updates of photos and information on our St. Paul's website, thanks to Ron Fullmer.
- ☀ A trinity of cheers for Monte, who makes sure we all know what is going on at St. Paul's.

# APRIL 2010 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>L: Library RO: Rector's Office</i>  <i>TH: Tayler Hall CR: Common Room</i>  <i>MCP: Mill Creek Point, 1000 Vey Way, Second Floor, Common Room</i>  <i>*Narcotics Anonymous</i></p>						
4 <b>EASTER DAY</b> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am	5  A.A. 7 pm TH	6 Bible Study 1 pm MCP	7 Parish Potluck 5:30 pm TH Knitters 6:30-8 pm L A.A. 7 pm TH	8 Healing Service noon NA 12:30-1:30 pm	9 Outreach 8am	10 A.A. Potluck 6-9 pm TH
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# APRIL 2010 SCHEDULE

	<b>Maundy Thursday April 1</b>	<b>Good Friday April 2</b>	<b>Holy Saturday April 3</b>	<b>Sunday of the Resurrection Easter April 4</b>	<b>The Second Sunday of Easter April 11</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter April 18</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer	Janet Fullmer
<b>Preacher</b>							
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Ned Kice	Marilyn Roth	Ron Fullmer	Lowry Browning	Don Dickinson	Marilyn Roth	Ron Fullmer
<b>EM</b>	Sandy Kice		Gretchen Kimsey	Jeff Krier		Lynne Gill	Marilyn Roth
<b>Lector</b>	Don Dickinson		Jerry Frazier	Barbee Hodgkins		Gretchen Kimsey	Anne Frazier
<b>Prayers</b>	Don Dickinson		Jerry Frazier	Barbee Hodgkins	Jim Shinn Skip Fisher	Verna Browne Denise Beasley	Verna Browne Pam Miller
<b>Acolytes</b>	Don Dickinson		Jerry Frazier	Anna Miller	Mike Fowler	Carly Lowe	Brandon Adams
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>							
<b>Flowers</b>				Lilies	Lilies	Ken & Sandy Leibham	Shirley Bjelland
<b>Greeters</b>				Jerry Davis	Pat Fowler	Jerry Frazier	PK & Jan Swartz
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Anne Frazier Kim McCullough	K. Worcester Joanne Manciu	Monte Dickinson Mary Ellen Lowe	Shirley Bjelland	Janet Mabrey	Anne Frazier Kim McCullough	K. Worcester Janet Mabrey
<b>Sunday School</b>				Gretchen Kimsey Denise Beasley	Marilyn Roth	Pam Miller	Robert Kirby

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## Diocesan Calendar

April 2 & 5	Diocesan Office closed
April 6-7	Bishop Rivera at Lutheran-Episcopal Coordinating Committee, Chicago
April 8-14	Bishop Rivera in the diocese
April 8-9	Commission on Ministry, Ascension School, Cove
April 9-11	Ministry Weekend, Ascension School, Cove
April 10	Bishop Rivera at consecration of Michael Hanley, Diocese of Oregon
April 11	Bishop Rivera celebrates Eucharist at Ministry Weekend
April 11	Bishop Rivera meets with Vestry, St. Matthew's, Ontario
April 12	Bishop Rivera at St. Paul's, Nyssa
April 13-14	Bishop Rivera at Diocesan Office
April 27-28	Bishop Rivera at Family Systems, St. Louis
April 29	Diocesan Office closed (staff away at conferences)

## Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

April 4	For the Mission and Ministry of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon
April 11	For St Thomas, Canyon City
April 18	For St John's, Hermiston: Chuck Barnes
April 25	For St Mark's, Hood River



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The Rev. Janet Fullmer, Rector  
The Rev. Stephen Schafroth, Deacon  
Senior Warden: Monte Dickinson  
Junior Warden: Laurance Kerr  
Treasurer: Jerry Frazier  
Office manager: Wanda Olson

*Vestry:*

Andrea Booren	Amy McIlvenna
Jill Durow	Julie Reynolds
Pat Fowler	Marilyn Roth
Ava Sue Kerr	Diane Walworth
Robert Kirby	

**Sunday Worship Schedule**

8:00 and 10:00 am  
(nursery care provided at 10am)  
9:00 am Adult Forum

**Office hours:**

Mon -Thurs 8:30-12:30

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