



# ST. PAUL'S MESSENGER

## Message from the Rector *Reflections on Pentecost*

For fifty days after Easter it is granted to us to live in the paschal joy, to experience time as a feast. And then comes the "last and great" day of Pentecost and with it our return into the real time of this world. At Vespers of that day the Christians are ordered—for the first time since Easter—to kneel. The night is approaching, the night of time and history, of the daily effort, of the fatigue and temptations, of the whole inescapable burden of life.

*Alexander Schmemmann*

*Acts 2:1-4, 7-11* On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them ability...They were completely amazed. "How can this be?" they exclaimed. "These people are all from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!"

*John 3:8* The wind blows where it wills, and you can hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes: so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.

***Pentecost:*** Fifty days after Easter comes the day of the outpouring of the unfathomable gift of the Holy Spirit — that gift leads to the continuing transformation of individuals and peoples everywhere, and to the daily invitation to live a new and holy life in God. The day itself is filled with exuberance and the joyful celebration of the extraordinariness of God present....the fire of the Spirit making all things new!

The experience of Pentecost will not be the same for everyone. The tongues of fire and speaking in tongues of Acts were surely powerful outward signs of the inward change wrought by the Holy Spirit. But not all experiences of the Holy Spirit involve a manifestation or outward signs of the Spirit's presence. For myself, more than the outward display of tongues of fire and tongues of language that Acts recounts, my experience is akin to C.S. Lewis' account, as told in *Mere Christianity*:

When I was an undergraduate in Cambridge, if I were to say that Christ came to me, I should be

using conventional words that would carry no precise meaning. For Christ comes to men and women in different ways. When I try to record the experience at that time, I use the imagery of the Vision of the Holy Grail. It seemed to me like that. There was, however, no sensible vision. There was just the room, with its shabby furniture and the fire burning in the grate, and the red shaded lamp on the table. But the room was filled by a presence that in a strange way was both about me and within me like a light or warmth. I was overwhelmingly possessed by someone who was not myself. And yet, I felt more myself than ever before. I was filled with intense happiness and almost unbearable joy as I had never known before or never known since. And overall, there was a deep sense of peace and security and certainty.

And yet .... Alexander Schmemmann's thoughts bring us to a very important aspect of Pentecost that can be easily overlooked in the ebullience and ex-

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citement of Pentecost... that is, we enter a new time when we walk in the company of the Holy Spirit, in the company of wisdom. That new time is wizedened, for God's work is magnificent indeed, but it is not without cost, and not without need for change and growth. Nothing will be the same. The wind will blow where it will, and we will have to let go of many of the familiar, comfortable, and stable things in our lives to be blown, too.

And yet... though blown about, though without things we had thought were our anchors; nevertheless by the Spirit's indwelling we find, in Lewis' words, "*a deep sense of peace and security and certainty.*"

Have you had an experience of Pentecost... a personal Pentecost when you knew that everything had now changed, and you could never again live without the knowledge that you had been visited by God... touched, changed, and transformed in ways that might not show, that might be ignored, that might not make sense, and might in fact be denied since not provable...but that nevertheless was the most real thing that you have ever experienced?

If so, recall it and return in joy to that moment, and give thanks for it. If not, may you find it now, in *this* season of Pentecost. And then, live in the joy and excitement of life in the Spirit, with the "deep sense of peace and security and certainty" that the wind that is blowing through your life and Being. Rejoice in that wind of the Spirit that invigorates, buffets and refreshes and makes all things new!

So, Buckle up; *Life in the Spirit* is a wind-blown adventure not for the faint of heart! Our journey in scripture through the season makes this very clear- but it also makes clear that Jesus is with us in this journey, guiding, steadying, encouraging and leading us in the Way of Life. Thanks be to God!

*With love and blessings, Janet+*

### Holy Services and Parish Meetings

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| Sundays   | 8 am  | Holy Eucharist                             |
|   | 9 am  | Adult Forum                                |
|   | 10 am | Holy Eucharist,<br>followed by coffee hour |
| Mondays   | 12 pm | Women's Bible Study                        |
| Tuesdays  | 1 pm  | Bible Study at Mill Creek                  |
| Thursdays   | noon  | Healing Service                            |
| June 1 (Wednesday) Potluck 5:30 pm<br>Knitters 6:30-8:00 pm |       |  |
| June 3-4 (Fri & Sat) Vestry Retreat                         |       |  |
| June 5 (Sunday)   |       | Inquirers' Class after service             |
| June 7 (Tuesday)  |       | Worship Committee 11:30 am                 |
| June 11 (Saturday)  |       | Al-anon Potluck 6:00 pm                    |
| June 15 (Wednesday)   |       | Vestry 7pm                                 |
| June 18 (Saturday)  |       | Dippy Diners, 5:30 pm                      |
| June 22 (Wednesday)   |       | Knitters 6:30-8:00 pm                      |



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**Ladies' Lunch Bunch**  
*Summer Reprieve*  
**(Until Fall)**

**Men's Group**  
**Breakfast**  
*Summer Reprieve*

### SENIOR WARDEN'S UPDATE

As we start enjoying warmer weather and the beauty of the *outdoors*, we should all give our kudos and many pats on the back to our two painting angels, Shirley Bjelland and Joanne Manciu, who have been busily painting the interior of St. Paul's moving from room to room to room! I know that they have been up on ladders where it gets hot, hot, hot on some of our more beautiful days – yet, they have stayed *inside* to make the Lord's house a more wonderful space for one and all. First it was the sanctuary and nave, then the library, AND MOST RECENTLY, they have been attacking the sacristy, which is used primarily by the altar guild, AND the vesting room, which is used by both Janet and Stephen. Talk about instant updates! They are immediate transformations that give such a lift to those who regularly use those spaces. Not to mention, Joanne brought her steamer to clean the floors in both rooms!!! AND, don't forget to give Dan Manciu a big bear hug for painting the most tip-top areas and for the variety of other "duties" he has performed to help the girls.

On another note ---- many of you responded to the request from the diocese to fill out the Mutual Ministry Review questionnaire – THANK YOU! The results have been compiled, Diocesan Council has met to decipher how best to share results and elicit more input from congregations. On July 6, at our 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday potluck, we will have the opportunity to get the update on that information. There are many critical issues being examined including the amount of the assessment each parish is being asked to contribute to fund the diocese, which items are considered priorities, the complex issues surrounding a possible Bishop's search, and options for what the structure of the diocese might look like in the future. These are issues/concerns that affect us all. *Please mark your calendars:* JULY 6 – 5:30 pm meet and chat with dinner at 6:00 pm and the presentations/discussions to follow. See you there, I hope!!!

Speaking of finances ----- we weren't?? Well, we need to!! Here is a friendly reminder that we are trying to keep chipping away at a deficit budget. Thankfully, pledges are up, just as are basic costs. So, as you enjoy vacations, family gatherings, home/yard improvements, graduations etc., please consider giving a special donation/thank offering marked either PLEDGE OR OPERATIONS which will very clearly  "Praise God(!) from whom all blessings flow." 

We are also trying to better support the discretionary funds for both Janet and Stephen as they receive requests for temporary funds from those in need. The first Sunday of each month has been designated as the time to give the plate offering to the discretionary account. Cash or checks marked "discretionary fund" will go towards their efforts to offer emergency assistance. Donations are also welcomed at any time during the month!! I have been present several times as requests have come in. Janet is extremely sensitive to their stated needs, but is also very astute in asking questions, sometimes granting requests, and sometimes referring folks to more appropriate sources. Rest assured that the money enables Janet and Stephen to act on our behalf to "love your neighbor as yourself" in a most compassionate way and at a time when it is desperately needed.

And lastly, I recently had the opportunity to attend an Episcopal church in the Portland area. It was a comfortable worship space and I enjoyed both the service and the sermon. HOWEVER, during the peace, I was greeted in the name of the Lord – but not really spoken to. And after the service, I exited without an invitation to coffee hour and where it was held was not evident. It gave me a new APPRECIATION for the gift of hospitality that seems to ooze from the folks at St. Paul's. I hear newcomers/visitors being greeted and welcomed *warmly* during the passing of the peace. And I frequently see the "newbie" almost "holding court" at coffee hour as there are so many of us gathered around to extend a welcome. The warm welcomes are working!!! We are seeing new people who are returning and immediately jumping in to become active. Thanks be to God!

In Christ ~ **Monte Dickinson**, Senior Warden  
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## Episcopal Minute from the Altar Guild

### TRINITY SUNDAY

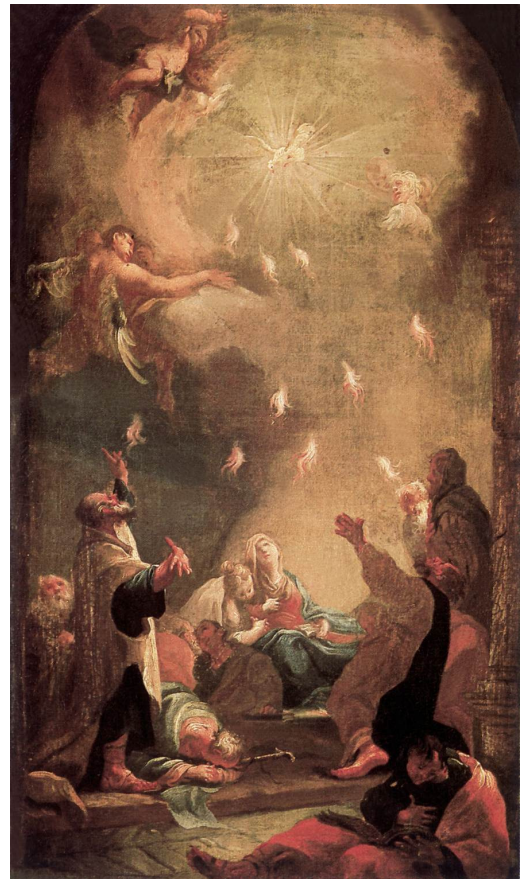
Trinity Sunday celebrates “the one and equal glory” of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, “in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being” (BCP, p. 380). It is celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The feast of Trinity Sunday is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year (BCP, p. 15). The proper readings and collect for Trinity Sunday are used only on the feast, not on the weekdays following. The numbered proper which corresponds most closely to the date of Trinity Sunday is used (BCP, p. 228). The BCP also provides the proper “Of the Holy Trinity” for optional use at other times, subject to the calendar rules of the church year (see BCP, pp. 251, 297). The Hymnal 1982 presents ten hymns in a section on The Holy Trinity (Hymns 362-371), including “Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!” (Hymn 362), “Come, thou almighty King” (Hymn 365), and “Holy Father, great Creator” (Hymn 368).

The Celebration of Trinity Sunday was approved for the western church by Pope John XXII in 1334. This feast is associated with Thomas Becket (c. 1119-1170), who was consecrated bishop on Trinity Sunday, 1162. His martyrdom may have influenced the popularity of the feast in England and the custom of naming the remaining Sundays of the church year “Sundays after Trinity.” The Sarum Missal and editions of the Prayer Book through the 1928 BCP named these Sundays the Sundays after Trinity. The 1979 BCP identifies this portion of the church year as the season after Pentecost, and names these Sundays the Sundays after Pentecost (see BCP, p. 32).

*Shirley Bjelland*

### June Birthdays

2 Monte Dickinson  
10 Scott Forster  
11 Doris Woolsey  
11 Chuck Hartmann  
12 Nathan Kirby  
15 Diane Walworth  
19 Denise Beasley  
20 Rustin Kimsey  
22 Brenden Manciu  
22 Art Schafroth  
22 Dave Yakish  
24 Deb Hucke  
28 Brandon Adams



Pentecost, 1782  
István Dorffmaister (1725-1797)

## COMMUNITY MEALS

Thanks again to Denise Beasely for preparing our Community Meal on Sunday, May 22, 2011. Our guests have come to rely on us for “the St. Paul’s famous floating tacos!” That would be Refried Beans, Tacos with all the trimmings served over chips – they “float” around on the plate- and brownies!

Our super team: Robin Wagenblast, Harriet Langfeldt and Denise served 45 hungry & enthusiastic guests plus another 35 seconds and takeouts! Rusty was our dishwasher extraordinaire! Once again we were grateful that somehow the amount of food available was the amount we needed and a good time was had by all!



*Pentecost*, painted by [Jean Restout](#), 1732

## ***VESTRY IN MOTION***

Diane Adams, acting on behalf of the diocese, was with us for the first half of our meeting. She gave an overview of the structure of the diocese, talked about specific groups, referred to a number of resources, and fielded questions.

Jerry reported that income is fairly accurate as projected. Jerry and Laurance reported on the homework they'd done looking into the repair of the cross and stated that some zoning and engineering matters still need to be addressed. The final materials used/design have yet to be determined.

The building use policy committee has met and has refined some of the materials, the outreach committee was to meet the following Saturday, and Pat, Fellowship Chair, reported that more folks were needed to volunteer for coffee hour. Recruiting people to bake who might not be able actually host a coffee hour was discussed. Janet distributed an overview of Special Services and Year of Events. She also encouraged us to be thinking about the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Paul's in February or March in 2012.

### **Inquirers' Class Begins May 8th**

If you have an interest in baptism, confirmation, or the history of the church...want to become more familiar with the Book of Common Prayer... have questions about what we think or believe and why we think or believe it...or are ready to see what you might have missed along the way... please consider yourself invited to the Inquirers' group Each meeting begins with a time of questions and answers and discussion about anything on your mind, moves to an overview of where we've been, and then addresses the theme of day. We will meet in the Rector's Office at 11:45, so there's time for coffee hour and fellowship and then our meeting. All are welcome.

## **WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS...**

### **For healing for:**

Rule Beasley  
Harold Kirby  
Michelle,  
Margaret Savage;  
Hyun Joo Yi;  
Chuck Hartmann,  
Jack Howe,  
Doris Abrams,  
Jane Schafroth;  
Marilyn,  
Laurie,  
Greg,  
Nancy, and  
Dorothy

### **For those serving in the armed forces :**

Albert South  
Kyle McCullough  
Turf McCullough  
Kevin Gross  
Travis Kennedy  
Ben Schloss  
Michael Stebbins  
Max Turner  
Amy and Gavin McIlvenna

### **For our vestry and workgroups:**

#### *Building and Administration:*

Laurance Kerr, Junior Warden; Jill Durow, Pat Fowler, Jenny Curtis, Jerry Frazier, Treasurer;

#### *Relationship/Serving:*

Andrea Booren, Amy McIlvenna, Julie Reynolds, Diane Walworth;

#### *Worship/Education:*

Diane Walworth, Joann Manciu, Robert Kirby, Julie Reynolds, Monte Dickinson, Senior Warden; and Deb Hucke, Deputy Clerk

A new editor has already been found for the **Messenger**, hurray!!!

Please continue with submission for the Messenger to [info@stpaulsthe dalles.org](mailto:info@stpaulsthe dalles.org), with "Messenger" in the subject line, or by hardcopy to Wanda in the church office.

# JUNE 2011 SCHEDULE

<b>Alter Bread:</b> <i>Monte Dickinson</i>	<b><i>Seventh Sunday of Easter June 5</i></b>	<b><i>Pentecost June 12</i></b>	<b><i>First Sunday of Pentecost June 19</i></b>	<b><i>Second Sunday of Pentecost June 26</i></b>
<b>Celebrant Preacher</b>	Rev. Janet Fullmer	Rev. Janet Fullmer	Rev. Janet Fullmer	
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Diane Walworth	Don Dickinson	Lowry Browning	Lynne Gill
<b>EM</b>	Lynne Gill	Marilyn Roth	Ron Fullmer	Dewanda Clark
<b>Lector</b>	Rusty K Jerry F	Jenny C Walter F	Harriet L Don D	Barbee H Diane W
<b>Prayers</b>	Verna B Jerry F	Lewis H Skip F	Shirley B Diane A	Marilyn R Denise B
<b>Acolytes</b>	Matthew Kirby	Mike Fowler	Anna Miller	Brandon Adams
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>				
<b>Flowers</b>	Mc Ilvena Family	Kerr Family	Doris Smith	Dickinson Family
<b>Greeters</b>	Jeff Krier	Dewanda Clark	Amanda Howe	Pat Fowler
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Kim McC Janet M	Joann M Anne F	Mary E. Lowe Monte D	Janet M Kaethe W

# June 2011 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>CR: Common Room</b> <b>L: Library</b> <b>RO: Rector's Office</b> <b>TH: Tayler Hall</b> <b>MCP: Mill Creek Point, 1000 Vey Way, Second Floor, Common RM Second Floor, Common Room</b>			<b>1</b> Potluck 5:30p  Knitters 6:30-8 pm L	<b>2</b> Healing Service noon  Al-anon 12:30-1:30TH	<b>3</b>  VESTRY RETREAT	<b>4</b> Outreach 8:30 RO  VESTRY RETREAT
<b>5</b> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am INQUIRER'S CLASS	<b>6</b> ALA 12-1 TH  WBS Noon-1pm L	<b>7</b> Worship Committee 11:30am  Bible Study 1pm MCP	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Healing Service noon  Al-anon 12:30-1:30TH	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  AA Potluck 6-9pm TH
<b>12</b> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am	<b>13</b> ALA 12-1 TH  WBS Noon-1pm L	<b>14</b>  Bible Study 1pm MCP	<b>15</b>  Vestry 7pm CR	<b>16</b> Healing Service noon  Al-anon 12:30-1:30TH	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Dippy Diners 5:30
<b>19</b> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am	<b>20</b> ALA 12-1 TH  WBS Noon-1pm L  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>21</b> Bible Study 1pm MCP  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>22</b> Knitters 6:30-8 pm L  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>23</b> Healing Service noon  Al-anon 12:30-1:30TH  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am	<b>27</b> ALA 12-1 TH  WBS Noon-1pm L  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>28</b> Bible Study 1pm MCP  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>29</b>  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>30</b> Healing Service noon  Al-anon 12:30-1:30TH  ASP 12-5 TH	<b>ASP: After            School            Productions</b>	

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## Diocesan Calendar

June 15-16	Diocesan Staff Retreat
June 17-23	Ascension Summer Staff Training
June 18	St. Stephen's, Baker City
June 19	St. Brigid-in-the-Pines, Sumpter
June 20	St. Patrick's, Enterprise
June 21	New Beginnings Clergy Group
June 22	St. Mark's, Hood River
Jun 26-J 1	Film School, Ascension School
Wed's	Noon Eucharist in the Diocesan Center Chapel
Fridays	Diocesan Office closed

## Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

June 5 For St. Barnabas, Bonanza: Sherry Hartley.



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Jenny Curtis	Amy McIlvenna
Jill Durow	Julie Reynolds
Pat Fowler	Diane Walworth
Robert Kirby	

**Sunday Worship Schedule**

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

**Office hours:**

Mon -Thurs 8:30-12:30

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