

ST. PAUL'S MESSENGER



Try to remember the kind of September, When grass was green and grain was yellow...

Message from the Rector

September~ Is it as hard for you as it is for me to believe it's here already?! The summer has flown by, and already we are full steam ahead to the events of the fall. This rush of events highlights why I particularly love—and smile at—lines that begin my favorite September song, “*Try to Remember*” from The Fantasticks: *Try to remember the kind of September when life was slow and oh, so mellow... Try to remember when life was so tender that love was an ember about to billow. Try to remember and if you remember then follow.*

Love was an ember about to billow. I think that phrase captures the sense of the joy and expectancy and incipient burst of energy that we find this fall at St. Paul's. So... follow!

First ember... joining Anya and the children as they paint the classroom in Tayler Hall. Talk about Love, Joy, and an Ember about to billow! This will be a great time, and a wonderful way to join God's joy in creation as we observe an overlooked plea from God: **Play!** God continually cajoles us to let loose of our anxieties and focus on the “business” of “getting ahead.” At the Children's service, the Gospel reading from Luke was Jesus saying, *Don't worry! Think about the lilies of the field... They don't toil or spin, yet God clothes them in glory...and how much more God cares for you!* We're meant to delight in creation and creating, so come... Enjoy! Have fun! Tap into the insights and enthusiasm of the children and see the ember billow!

Other embers are about to billow, too. Where do you see them? I see them in the choir coming back together, the church family coming together September 1 to listen to music on the green at City Park for our first Wednesday potluck, and then again for our potluck meeting with Hood River on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September 22.

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And there are embers everywhere! I also see them in the deliveries of food to people in need, parishioners and community members alike; in the aid and continuing relationship of mission and friendship with Church of the Holy Spirit, Cap Haitien, Haiti, and Fr. Daniel Kuot and his ministry in Sudan, and other people of God throughout the world, near and far; in the plans and preparations for the Warming Place; building homes for Habitat for Humanity; and in visiting those in the hospital, nursing homes, and any need or distress.

Let's keep focused on these embers, and blow gently on them so that they come to life and bring life! These are the embers that will billow—and bring the life that God the Father wills for us, Jesus shows us and leads us into, and the Holy Spirit enables and strengthens us to live—life that endures forever. Thanks be to God!

May the Peace of the Lord be with you all,

Janet+

**Collect for Sunday,
September 19, Proper 30:**

***Grant us, Lord, not to be
anxious about earthly things,
but to love things heavenly;
and even now, while we are
placed among things that are
passing away, to hold fast to
those that shall endure;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.***



Holy Services and Parish Meetings

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| Sundays | 8 am | Holy Eucharist |
| | 9 am | Adult Forum |
| | 10 am | Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee hour |
| Tuesdays | 1 pm | Bible Study at Mill Creek |
| Thursday | noon | Healing Service |
| | | |
| Sept. 1 | (Wednesday) | Parish Potluck 5:30 pm |
| Sept. 8 | (Wednesday) | Ladies' Lunch Bunch 1 pm |
| Sept. 10-11 | (Fri-Saturday) | Vestry retreat |
| Sept. 15 | (Wednesday) | Vestry 7 pm |
| Sept. 19 | (Sunday) | Messenger deadline |
| Sept. 22 | (Wednesday) | Potluck at St. Mark's |
| Sept. 26 | (Sunday) | Community Meal |

First Wednesday Potluck

September 1, 5:30 pm, City Park

This month's potluck will be held in the City Park, since the date coincided with the last "Music in the Park" for the season. Performers will be Stolen Sweets, a vocal group that includes hometown girl Erin Sutherland, singing music from the 1920s-1940s; the concert begins at 6 pm.

Bring your own chairs and picnic ware, a potluck dish to share, something to drink (non-alcoholic) and a can or two of non-perishable food for local food banks. Amy McIlvenna has designed T-shirts to identify members of St. Paul's. They cost \$15, and can be purchased at the park.

SENIOR WARDEN'S UPDATE

It has been my privilege as Senior Warden (who the heck came up with that title? —sounds ominous and dreary) to work more closely with and spend more time with Janet—both as our priest and as a friend. There is soooooo much more “priestly stuff” going on behind the scenes than I ever imagined, that I wanted to do a little sharing. I’m not even going to send this to her ahead of time as I usually do, because she NEVER wants the focus on her. She responds, “Isn’t God amazing?”

Talk about living a life of faithfulness and obedience with a true servant’s heart. She is such an example to me, and to us. She exhibits such grace and selflessness when calls come from people in time of need—and frequently it’s evening or day-off calls. She never sighs or gives any indication of the interruption—just immediately changes into her priestly clothes and off she goes with her hugely caring heart.

She has attended to parishioners during times of medical stress, spending long hours with them and their families both here and out of town, and many times making multiple visits in one day. She’s been a chaplain on-call at the hospital, including attending to an infant’s death. She gets calls from families suffering a loss who need pastoral care and funeral planning—and that doesn’t even touch the ongoing pastoral care she gives within our parish. She has even made home visits to pray for animals. Janet is truly living out, as she describes it, “the call to a life of service.” One planned vacation that I know of was cancelled this spring (and still hasn’t been taken) so that she could attend to a family situation.

The most recent call that I’m aware of came from a lady in the Portland Metro area, whose father was in the Veterans’ Home here. The lady had just received a call that he might have only a few hours to live—that he had not been responsive in over a week. She asked if Janet would come to the hospital when they arrived in town. Janet told the lady she would *go right up and stay with him* until they arrived. Up she went—sat by his bed, held his hand, prayed for him, prayed using the Prayer Book—and lo and behold, he squeezed her hand. God Present. Janet Present. Can you even imagine how grateful his daughter was to have Janet share the story of that hand squeeze?

Color each and every one of us blessed to the max to have had Janet (and Ron) accept our call to lead us, guide us, teach us, care for us. I am inviting you to shower them with your prayers of thanksgiving this day and every day.

Blessings to each of you ~

Monte Dickinson, Senior Warden

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Messenger deadline

Please submit articles and notices for October’s *Messenger* to julierey@charter.net by Sunday, September 24. Thanks.

Julie Reynolds, editor

Children’s mural

Anya Ballinger Kawka will lead the children in creating a mural in the Sunday School room across from the kitchen in Tayler Hal. If you are interested in helping on this project, please contact:

Anya Kawka, 541-965-2902

Ladies’ Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, September 8, at 1 pm
at the Baldwin Saloon
following noon Eucharist
at the Diocesan Chapel



An Open Letter to St. Paul's Meal Ministry

Thank you, thank you, thank you "meal ministers" for all your time, good food, and welcome visits and hugs.

Art and I are simply amazed at all you do and have done for us and others. You are the greatest!

Love and Prayers,

Art and Jane Schafroth



Episcopal Minute from the Altar Guild

VESTMENTS:

Cotta: From Middle English meaning "to cover." A cotta is a short, white outer garment often worn by choir members and acolytes to cover their cassocks.

Rochet: A bishop's full-length vestment similar to a surplice with full sleeves, and usually worn under a chimere.

Stole: A long strip of cloth (often silk) worn around the neck of the priest and allowed to hang down the front of the clerical vestments. Only bishops, priests and deacons are allowed to wear stoles. The stole usually is worn at all Eucharistic services, weddings and funerals, but never worn at Morning Prayer services. The stole is said to represent the yoke of obedience to Christ.

Shirley Bjelland

September Birthdays ~



9 Carol Yakish	
14 Barbee Hodgkins	
14 Mary Ellen Lowe	20 Bob Carsner
16 James Ramsey	23 Norman Abrams
17 M. VanValkenburg	23 Joanne Manciu

Adopt-A-Highway Report

Greetings to you all! Here's a report on our last highway clean-up, for those that didn't make it. Crew members were: Gretchen Kimsey, Steve Schafroth, Jerry Frazier, Ava and Laurance Kerr, and Julie Reynolds.

We started at 7 am on Saturday, August 28, and worked for 3 hours. We filled 32 yellow bags with some very interesting items! But we were pleased with the results, that is for sure.

Some items we found didn't go into the bags: Laurance found another dead deer and Jerry found a check that had been endorsed (he is sending it back to the owner using our church letterhead)!

We would like to propose the next clean-up for the **first Saturday of November**. All participants need to watch a short informational video, so if you want to be a part of this great adventure, please visit the office to borrow the DVD.

Many thanks to those who have earned their sore muscles in this great outreach effort in our own town. One just never knows what we will find on the stretch of I-84 that we clean between Denny's and the Discovery Center exits.

Your Road Masters,

Ava and Laurance Kerr

VESTRY IN MOTION

The last Vestry meeting was filled with planning for fall—gatherings in homes, Rally Sunday, the First Wednesday Potlucks, and the children’s mural. With the September potluck being held in the park to enjoy music, it was decided to have St. Paul’s T-shirts printed to wear at that time and other times when we are out and about in the community. Thank you to Amy McIlvenna who is taking the lead on the T-shirt project. These great-looking T-shirts are available at the church for \$15.00. Checks should be made to St. Paul’s with the memo line marked “T-shirts.”

The next Vestry retreat will be the weekend of September 10 and 11. Thank you to Dewanda Clark who offered their lovely home as a place to gather with spouses for a hearty appetizer dinner and time of fellowship. The roll-up-your-sleeves work day will be from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm on Saturday, in the Klickitat Room at the Shilo Inn. Stay tuned from the results of this gathering!

Worship Committee Report

August 17

A committee will be formed to establish rules for the use of the church building.

Future worship services were discussed, including: September 12, Welcome Back (Rally) Sunday, and October 3, St. Francis Day Pet Blessing Service at 5 pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 7 at 11:30 am.

Memorial Committee Report

August 12

Verna Browne is the new chair of Memorial Committee; many thanks to Dewanda Clark for her years of service.

As required by Canon Law, the Memorial Fund account has been transferred to the General Fund.

The committee voted to designate \$7,500.00 for repair of the cross, when the vestry decides on the best solution for the repair.

The Book of Remembrance will be updated with the most recent memorials, and thank-you notes sent to donors..

The committee will meet quarterly, at 10 am on the third Tuesday of February, May, August and November.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 16.

Outreach Committee Report

August 4

We need worker bees for the Haiti Team car wash on September 12.

Diane reported on the Haiti Project. PK is working on plans for the medical team and Diane is doing the same for the educational team. Kimseys gave a donation to be used for books for the library in Haiti. We are looking forward to Father Noe’s visit.

We briefly discussed ideas for new local service projects. Diane suggested recruiting readers from St. Paul’s for the reorganized SMART program.

No date was set for next meeting.



New Orleans 2011?

Plan your winter break now! In February, the weather in New Orleans is much better than in Eastern Oregon.

Four of us from St. Paul's are considering a trip to New Orleans to work on the rebuilding projects for the Diocese of Louisiana, and you are welcome to join us. No experience is needed, only a willingness to help.

We plan to fly Monday, February 21, and work Tuesday-Friday. Return can be anytime after Saturday, February 26. I plan to stay a few days for the first Mardi Gras parades and help out the tourist industry.

For more information contact John Adams (541-296-6803) or jcadams62@charter.net.

Haiti Team Car Wash

Successful car wash on Sunday, August 15—
next car wash on **September 12**.

Father Daniel Kuot

Father Daniel Kuot from Sudan will visit St. Paul's again on September 17-19.

Potluck at St. Mark's, Hood River

Wednesday, September 22

Church parking lot repair September 1-4

Remember that the **church will be closed** Wednesday, September 1, through Saturday, September 4, for resurfacing and striping of parking lot. Thanks to Junior Warden Laurance Kerr for taking care of this task.

Haiti Team Planning Meeting

August 21, 2010

The Haiti Team had a very productive meeting Saturday, August 21 with Fr. Noe. The dates were finalized and we decided that the medical team and the educational team would travel together.

The medical team will be headed by Phil Swartz. Also on the team will be nurses Amy McIlvenna and her Haitian friend Sherly (who is a nurse in Gresham) and Ron Fullmer who will be an assistant and will supervise the medical records data base.

The educational team will be headed by Diane Walworth. Tori Rask will be doing math workshops and demonstrations. Diane will be doing reading workshops and demonstrations. We hope to recruit a teaching friend of Diane's to do writing workshops and demonstrations. The education team will also include Jeff Rask, who will be teaching specialty courses at the vocational and trade school.

Living Water International (LWI) Trip to Haiti

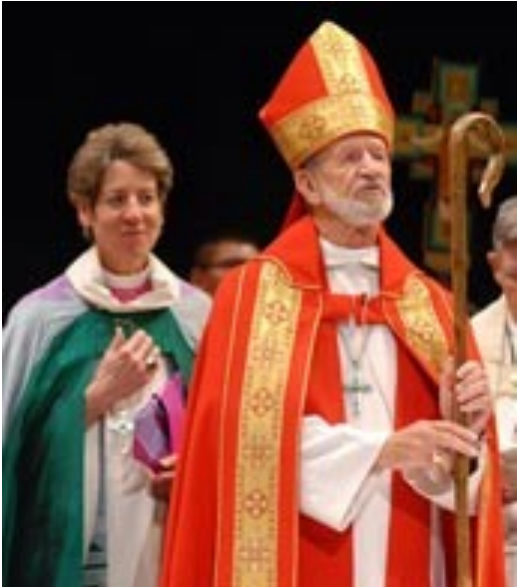
In October, Ron Fullmer will be taking another Living Water International trip to Haiti to repair wells. On this trip, the group may fly directly into Port au Prince, instead of Cap Haitien. LWI is looking into purchasing a compound in Port au Prince, where the need for clean water is most urgent at this time.

If you would like to help out with the LWI compound, you may donate to them directly at www.water.cc, noting that it is for "Port au Prince Mission Compound," or you may make out a check to Living Water International, and Ron will send it on to the organization.

To help out with Ron's October trip, send him a check made out to LWI, noting that it is for "Ron Fullmer—October Haiti Trip," and he will get it to the correct destination.

Thanks again from Ron to those who have already helped, and thanks for your continued thoughts and prayers for the people of Haiti, for LWI and for all of the people who are traveling there to do what they can to help ease the burden.

Consecration of David Bailey in Navajoland, August 7



The Rev. David Bailey was ordained and consecrated bishop of the Episcopal Church in Navajoland on August 7 in Kirtland, New Mexico, in a ceremony filled with Navajo tradition that included smudging the gathering with smoldering sage and sweetgrass incense, a traditional ritual of blessing and cleansing.

The worship service was led by our Presiding Bishop, Katharine Jefferts Schori, and the liturgy dramatically incorporated Navajo and Christian teachings.

Rusty said that the consecration was attended by several hundred people, with a large number of bishops present, including our own Nedi Rivera. (Perhaps for the first time in our Church's history, women bishops outnumbered the men bishops.)

Rusty, who was the former assisting bishop of Navajoland, served as guest preacher. He told the gathering that, although the consecration was "a moment that belongs to the future," his heart was filled with images of the past. He recalled the birth of the Episcopal Church in Navajoland as an area mission in 1978 and the work of blending "your ancient ways with Christianity" as pathways to "a more sensitive awareness of who we need to be as an Episcopal Church."

Rusty, who also served as interim bishop in the Diocese of Alaska, referred to "dark times of history," including the stripping of Navajo culture in Christian schools and the Long Walk to Fort Sumner in 1864, during which 200 Navajo died.



He praised Bailey as one who will "listen, expecting to be guided by your wisdom, ...honor your history and personal stories, building on your energy of weaving and blending."

This report incorporated personal communication with Rusty and a report by Pat McCaughan posted with the Episcopal News Service on August 9, 2010.

L to R, Catherine Plummer, wife of Stephen Plummer, Bishop of Navajoland, who died in 2005; Anna Fowler, a leading Navajo elder, and Jack Fowler, a priest of our Church. The Fowlers presented a painting to the local parish in Farmington, NM, which depicts the figure of Jesus standing behind a Navajo blessing ceremony. The message is one of harmony and weaving together the two traditions.





Sunday School at Dufur Underhill Site, August 14

Participants included students Anna, Emma, Gillian, Macauley, Angel and Gabby; and teachers Pam Miller, Marilyn Roth, and Gretchen Kimsey. David Gross was the Forest Service guide.

On Sunday, the children led the 10 am service and showed their artifacts and drawings; the adults read poems they had written. Sharon Paz's coffee hour featured kid-friendly foods.

Janet in the news...

Did you see the two excellent articles (with pics, no less) featuring Janet as our Priest at St. Paul's?

One was in *The Dalles Chronicle's* "Women in Business" special section, and the other, about Father Noe Bernier's visit, on the front page of the September 25 issue. If you missed them, look for them on the bulletin board opposite the church office.

Rally Sunday
September 12

Eye glasses and shoes

Amy McIlvenna is collecting cash donations, eye glasses (including reading glasses), and "gently used" shoes to send to Ethiopia.

Gavin's cousin, Lise, is going to Ethiopia next March as a volunteer for Doctors Giving Back, and will take our contributions. You can read her story at <http://www.firstgiving.com/lisecodde>.

Father Noe Bernier at St. Paul's on Sunday, August 23



Father Noe Bernier from Cap Haitien, Haiti, spent time at St. Paul's in August, and led the Sunday services on August 23.

Our Haiti Mission Team was with the Bernier family when the earthquake struck Haiti last January 12.

The Haiti Mission Team met on Saturday, August 21, with Father Noe, to continue planning another trip for this January.

Thank you to Diane and Lloyd Walworth for opening up their wonderful home to host a reception for Fr. Noe. There were St. Paul's folks there as well as three people from Goldendale who knew of his visit through Janet's Pastors' Bible Study group.

Father Noe and Rev. Janet were featured in a front page story in *The Dalles Chronicle* on August 25.

Rev. Anna Carmichael, St. Mark's, Hood River, August 14

Anna Carmichael was installed as the rector of St. Mark's on Saturday, August 14, in a moving ceremony led by Bishop Nedi Rivera. Janet Fullmer gave the sermon.

A reception followed in the parish hall. Those who attended from St. Paul's were: Janet and Ron Fullmer, Steve Schafroth, Ava and Laurance Kerr, and Julie Reynolds.



SEPTEMBER 2010 SCHEDULE

Altar Bread Barbee Hodgkins	<i>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sept 5</i>	<i>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sept 12</i>	<i>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Sept 19</i>	<i>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sept 26</i>
Celebrant Preacher	Rev. Janet Fullmer	Rev. Janet Fullmer	Rev. Janet Fullmer	Rev. Janet Fullmer
Worship Leader	Don Dickinson	Ron Fullmer	Dewanda Clark	Ned Kice
EM	Diane Walworth	Marilyn Roth	Don Dickinson	Sandy Kice
Lector	Diane Adams	Anne Frazier	Jerry Frazier	Ron Fullmer
Prayers	Jim Shinn Rosemary Ross	Shirley Bjelland Pam Miller	Marilyn Roth Jerry Frazier	Verna Browne Skip Fisher
Acolytes	Jerry Frazier	Mike Fowler	Carly Lowe	Brandon Adams
Coffee Hosts		Rally Sunday	Jill Durow	Wanda Olson
Flowers	Ron & Janet Fullmer	Lewis & Barbee Hodgkins	PK & Jan Swartz	Rusty & Gretchen Kimsey
Greeters	Janeal Booren	Doris Smith	Tim O'Neil & Lowry Browning	Pat Fowler
Altar Guild	Anne Frazier Kim McCullough	Kaethe Worcester Joanne Manciu	Monte Dickinson MaryEllen Lowe	Janet Mabrey Nancy Ramsey

September 2010 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
CR: <u>Common Room</u> L: <u>Library</u> RO: <u>Rector's Office</u> TH: <u>Taylor Hall</u> MCP: <u>Mill Creek Point, 1000 Vey Way, Second Floor, Common Room</u>			1 Church Closed Parish Potluck 5:30 pm The Dalles City Park	2 Church Closed	3 Church Closed	4 Church Closed
5 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult Forum 9 am	6 Church Closed (Labor Day Holiday)	7 Bible Study 1 pm MCP	8	9 Healing Service noon Al-anon 12:30-1:30 TH	10 Al-anon 12-1 pm TH	11 AA Potluck 6-9 pm TH
12 RALLY SUNDAY Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am	13 A.A. 7 pm TH	14 Bible Study 1 pm MCP AA District 5:30-8 pm TH	15 Vestry 7 pm CR	16 Healing Service noon Al-anon 12:30-1:30 TH	17 Al-anon 12-1 pm TH Fr. Daniel Kuot	18 Fr. Daniel Kuot
19 Fr. Daniel Kuot Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult forum 9 am <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	20 A.A. 7 pm TH Quilters 7 pm CR	21 Bible Study 1 pm MCP	22	23 Healing Service noon Al-anon 12:30-1:30 TH	24 Al-anon 12-1 pm TH	25
26 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Adult Forum 9 am Community Meal	27 A.A. 7 pm TH	28 Bible Study 1 pm MCP	29 Knitters 6:30-8 pm L	30 Healing Service noon Al-anon 12:30-1:30 TH		

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Diocesan Calendar

Sept. 2-6	Family Camp, Ascension School, Cove
Sept. 2-7	Bishop Rivera in Diocese
Sept. 15-22	Bishop Rivera at House of Bishops meeting
Oct. 1-3	Diocesan Convention, Hood River

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Sept. 5	For St. Thomas, Canyon City
Sept. 12	For St. Paul's, The Dalles: Janet Fullmer, Stephen Schafroth
Sept. 19	For St. Matthew's, Ontario: Jim Mosier
Sept. 26	For St. Brigid in the Pines Community Church, Sumpter

Diocesan Convention, Hood River, October 1-3

Please consider being nominated for open positions on the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, and Diocesan Commission on Ministry. The convention will focus on Millennium Development Goal #1: *Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger*. Materials are on the kiosk for review.

Wednesdays at noon: Eucharist in the Diocesan Center Chapel



Safeway will contribute up to 4% of the amount of your purchases to St. Paul's.

Here's how it works: You register any one or all of your existing grocery loyalty, debit and credit cards for use in the program. Participating merchants will make contributions to your chosen group, based on purchases made by you, just by using the cards you have registered. Your purchases are tracked and available to you online, allowing you to see just how much you are donating.

To learn more about eScrip, go online to www.escrip.com.

To register for eScrip, go to <https://secure.escrip.com/jsp/supporter/registration/step1.jsp>, enter the **St. Paul's group ID: 163941597**, then follow the instructions.

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 10 am)
9:00 am Adult Forum

Office hours:

Mon -Thurs 8:30-12:30

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