



The Messenger

September 2023

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
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Rector Reflection

A wonderful thing happened last Sunday. A small group of us got wrapped up in conversation. Everyone left, even the coffee hour hosts! We were talking about Sr. Amy's life profession of vows in the Anglican Order of Preachers. I was then asked what my new role as "Master of the Order" entails. Such a great question. The short answer is that I am primarily responsible for seeing to the Formation of those discerning if they have a vocation from God with the Anglican Dominicans. This is a three-year program of rigorous study and prayer and conversation. I will be teaching in the fall (starting Sept 17) a group of Novice Brothers and Sisters who are in their third year of Formation. What will I be teaching? Preaching of course. And with all the mechanics that go into writing a sermon I am particular in pressing would be Dominicans to think hard about the 'why' of preaching.

Why do we do it as a practice within worship? Again... a very short answer is that the Word of God must be proclaimed! We have God's great and good news of repentance and forgiveness and eternal life to share. Christian worship has ALWAYS included hearing from Scripture. First just the Old Testament and as the Apostles and early church leaders wrote their witness to Christ, their writings were shared and gathered together. Some of those writings were chosen that the leadership felt best represented the consistent witness/story of Jesus as the Messiah. These became the New Testament. It is for Christian believers the Word of God. What does this mean? It means that God 'breathed' it. Literally, IN-SPIRED, breathed into the hearts and minds of many throughout the arch of the history of Hebrew people to the time of the Apostles and the emerging Church that followed Jesus.

We preach because there are exceptional stories to be told. We preach because there are important questions to consider about the meaning of life, the existence of God, the existence of evil, what happens when we die and many moral questions for how to live with one another as a human family. The Word of God is complex, and it has the power to speak into our very depths about all that is good and right in us and in the world God has made.

We preach because the God revealed throughout the arc of the whole Bible story is supremely good, just, holy and loves us and wants our best and highest good. How could we keep silent? We preach during worship because we come expecting God to speak and to touch us in our deepest point of need whether that be comfort or growth. So, what am I doing as the Master of the Order? The things I love most. Teaching and preaching about the wondrous works of God who is life itself!

See you Sunday, *Patti*+



September Office Hours:

The parish office and the Coos Food Cupboard will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 4 in observance of the holiday. Please help us get the word out to the community.

The parish office will be closing at 2:30pm on Friday, September 8. Please also note the parish office will be closed Wednesday, September 13 – Wednesday, September 20 as Kerri is having sinus surgery. Thank you for your understanding.



Coos Bay Day, September 9 @ 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

From Bishop Diana Akiyama: Join others from around the diocese for Coos Bay Day! This is an opportunity for our diocese to gather in person and officially bless and open our Coos Bay location, also known as Shepherd House. Shepherd House will serve as a residence and office space for me, the missionaries, and other diocesan staff as they travel through the southern part of our diocese.

To celebrate this milestone, we are throwing a little block party at Emmanuel Episcopal Church. We will begin at 12 noon with the blessing of Shepherd House, then enjoy a time of refreshments and fellowship. This will also be an opportunity for folks to tour Shepherd House.

September 10 @ 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

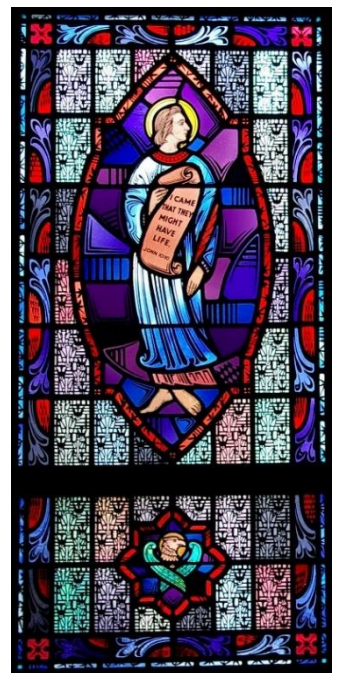
Bishop Visitation to Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Coos Bay

Junior Warden's Report

At our June meeting the vestry determined that parish security could be improved if we limited entry to the sanctuary to the single entrance at the back of the narthex. To accomplish this, we have had a security door constructed in the hall by the sacristy, and we have installed keypad locks on the doors that lead to the front of the church. Dave Laird arranged to get the new locks keyed to the same key, and the locks have been set to one PIN code.

You have probably noticed that there is a stained-glass window panel missing in the back of the church by the AV station, the result of a rock that came through that panel. Although local stained-glass workers were not willing to take on the repair, we have located a skilled artisan in Eugene who will be able to bring the panel back to its original condition. The panel was delivered to his workshop on Monday, and he expects to have the repair completed by early September.

Do you know the artist of the original stained-glass windows? The glass worker in Eugene would love to know. Contact Al if you do.



~Submitted by Al Rumsch, Junior Warden

Coos Food Cupboard

For the month of September, the food cupboard would appreciate donations of canned fruit.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation to the Coos Food Cupboard, please make your check out to "Coos Food Cupboard" and mail it to P.O. Box 1028, Coos Bay, OR 97420.

Thank you for your continued and generous support of the Coos Food Cupboard!

~submitted by Brian Sullivan

COASTAL FAMILIES RELIEF NURSERY

Open House!



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Coastal Families Relief Nursery

Tuesday, September 12

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

☀️ You're invited! Join us for an exclusive Open House at Coastal Families Relief Nursery! Discover how we are nurturing brighter futures for children and families. This is an opportunity to see hope in action.

📍 Meet our dedicated staff, tour our facilities, and learn how we provide essential support to children and families in need.

🧸 Experience the magic of early childhood education! Explore our safe and supportive environment designed to help children thrive.

🤝 Connect with fellow community members who are passionate about creating a better future for children. Together, we can make a difference.

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- Tour our facilities
- Learn how we provide essential support to children and families in our community!

🕒 TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 12TH
5:00-7:00PM

📍 400 HIGHLAND AVE
COOS BAY, OR



Community Meal



Come enjoy a **Free** meal with us.

Community Meal available to all.

5th Saturday of September 30, 2023
11:00am – 1:00pm

At Harmony Methodist Church
123 Ocean Blvd SE, Coos Bay

Brunch Breakfast Casserole
Served by Emmanuel Episcopal Church



Also requesting support from 9:00am to 11:00am for preparing the meal and then from 11:00am - 1:30pm for serving and cleaning up.

Any questions?

Please contact Nancy Layne @ 541-435-0054.

THE DEVEREUX CENTER'S MISSION

At the Devereux Center, we believe in helping people to *Dream Again*. Our day center helps the mentally ill and homeless to meet their basic needs, so they can find the hope and dignity to break the cycle of homelessness and depression.

DID YOU KNOW...

- Our warming center had over 3825 guests during the 2022-2023 season. This represents a +90% increase in the number served over the previous season.
- Our warming center was open 80 nights, almost double the number of last season.
- That means, on average, 48 guests spent the night in our warming center.

Daily Needs

YOU ARE
WORTHY
OF LOVE

Non-Perishable Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shampoo• Conditioner
Perishable Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Body Soap• Razors
Personal Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cotton Swabs (Q-Tips)• Men's Undergarments
Clothing / Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deodorant (Men's & Women's)• Ladies Panties (new & gently used)

Devereux Center Donations

As donors to the Devereux Center, Rev. Patti receives quarterly updates from them about how donations are used and where the need is still great. The previous are some of the statistics they shared and suggestions for future donations from Emmanuel. Please have any donations you would like to make to the parish office by Friday, September 29. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

Youth Ministry Inventory

Given the excellent meeting with Canon Chris Craun on September 20, Rev. Patti and I would like to create an inventory of Youth Ministry already alive through the people of Emmanuel Church. Please stop by the office or email Kerri (administrator@episcopalcoosbay.org) and let us know how you are in service to youth in our community, outside of your immediate family.

Here are some examples of what we have come up with so far... Emmanuel Parish supports:

1. The Coastal Families Relief Nursery
2. The Coos Food Cupboard, which directly supports families and youth
3. Holding the youth music camp in the summer of 2023
4. Tom Collin's voice and music lessons
5. Nat Jaeggli leads third graders in educational hikes through the South Slough
6. Celebrating Pam Chaney's involvement with the Boys & Girls Club through her work with her dance studio

The purpose of the inventory is to celebrate how we are serving the youth and inspire additional opportunities to expand on our outreach.

~submitted by Nat Jaeggli



MARSHFIELD PIONEER CEMETERY

PREVIEW

**FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 15**

3pm to 6pm

Celebrate the repair of
102 gravestones at
Coos Bay's historic cemetery



- ◆ Walk the grounds to appreciate the work already completed through grants and community support for Phase I
- ◆ Discover the fascinating history of some of the 2000 people buried there
- ◆ Share your own information about relatives or other people buried there
- ◆ Children accompanied by an adult are welcome
- ◆ Make & Take: a rubbing and a sticker
- ◆ Learn how to contribute and participate in the continuing work

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

text or call (541) 435-1177 or email cbcemetery@gmail.com



Beautiful Savior School of Music

Presents

Jeffrey Varga

Solo pianist performing on our new Wilhelm Grotrian piano.

Sunday, September 10, 2023

2:00 p.m.

Freewill donation

(support the artist with any amount, \$20 suggested donation)

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

2160 Elm Ave. Reedsport

text 805.714.0775 for more information



Teri Whitty Birthday - September 3

Nancylee Stewart & Cary Pugh Anniversary - September 4

Lynn Nasburg Birthday - September 5

Sally Jaeggli Birthday - September 6

Joe McKeown Birthday - September 12

Sr. Amy Linder Birthday - September 25

Tammy Gilson Laird Birthday - September 29

Kathleen Vineyard Birthday – September 30

If you don't see your name(s) on the birthday and anniversaries list, please let Kerri in the office know so we can add you to our parish list. *Thank you!*

****October Newsletter Submissions Deadline is Friday, September 22nd****