

The Messenger August 2023

Emmanuel Episcopal Church P. O. Box 1028 400 Highland Avenue Coos Bay, OR 97420

## **Rector Reflection**

"I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline." 2 Timothy 1:5-7

This little verse from 2 Timothy is the reason we have Bible studies and classes. To continually learn and grow in the things of God. This last June and July we held a class that was great fun: "Comparative Christianity". We looked at the history of Christian community and the values and ideas that shape us from the earliest days of the Apostles to the present. It was such a wonderful time of asking questions and learning what Christians of all kinds hold up as the most important beliefs and practices. It was so fun, in fact, that Wednesday's Noon-1:30pm class will resume in the fall. This time we will dive into the Book of Common Prayer. Please... bring your questions! One thing we discovered is that it is refreshing to have a place to be able to ask the priest whatever you want and conversation to ensue.

Even if the Wednesday class is not doable for you... let me ask you a question: How do you take time to rekindle the gift of faith that is within you? How do you learn and grow in the things of God? If we do not nurture our faith, our learning, our prayer practices, and worship, it is hard to have a relationship with God that is vital. If I can be of help to you, in any way, let me know. It's why I am here.

God bless you in these dog days of summer. Stay cool and well hydrated! See you on Sunday, August 20th when I return from my travels. *Patti*+

**Please note:** Rev. Sr. Patti Hale and Sr. Amy Linder, OP will be out of town/office for the annual meeting of the Anglican Order of Preachers the first week of August. There will be <u>no</u> Wednesday services on August 2 and no Live Stream of worship on Sunday, August 6.

Rev. Patti will then be on vacation the second week of August. When she returns, we will be welcoming Rev. Chris Craun, Missioner for Thriving Congregations, as a special guest and preacher for August 20. During coffee hour, she will be presenting on how we can build up our Youth Ministries at Emmanuel. Hope to see you there!



If you need emergency pastoral care during this time of August 1 – August 16, please contact Rev. Karen Lowe at 541-290-2122.



Little miss Quinnlynn James, our newest Sister in Christ, and her mommy and daddy wish to thank everyone at Emmanuel for such a wonderful Baptism Day on June 25, 2023!





#### **Coos Food Cupboard**

For the month of August, the food cupboard would appreciate donations of toilet paper. This is an oftenrequested item that cannot be purchased with food stamps and every household needs. And although we ask our clients to bring their own bags, we are still in need of heavy, reusable grocery bags for those who don't have any to bring. Thank you.

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



### "Harley Quinn and the Cape of Many Colors"

A blast was had by all during the *Create Your Own Musical* summer camp! Thank you to the mastermind behind it all and camp director, Kate Moody, and her talented teaching assistant, Matthew Reynolds. We thank Liz Cowden, Sue Wall, and Terrye Laird for their donations of camp supplies. Also, a special thank you to Carla Courtney for the beautiful bouquets of flowers presented to each of the camp kids and teachers at the end of the performance. And last but definitely not least, a huge round of applause for our very own Neville Cordell for his assistance with the camp and his outstanding job as the "Town Crier".

If you missed the performance, we have you covered. A video of the musical can be found at the following link: <u>https://youtu.be/\_YRt3iZmNLg</u>





### Cursillo Grand Ultreya Announcement

Oregon and SW Washington Episcopal Cursillo invite all friends of Cursillo and guests to an end of the summer Grand Ultreya Gathering and Potluck, on Saturday, August 26, 2023, from 11am - 1pm. It will be held at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 2400 NW 9th Avenue, Battle Ground, WA 98604. All are welcome, including those who have not yet attended a Cursillo Weekend. Bring a friend, tableware, and food or drink to share. And try to remember to bring your Cursillo name tag.

Contact Ellen Onstad or David Hanson for more information at oregoncursillo@gmail.com or visit the website www.oregon-cursillo.org or Facebook group <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/94289009763</u>.

The Facebook page http://www.oregon-cursillo.org will be featuring some photos from past weekends – stop by to see whom you recognize.

Thank you, Kevin Mallon, 503-863-1973



### **Coastal Families Relief Nursery**

The relief nursery has hired a teacher! They also hope to have a second teacher starting once her credentials have been transferred to Oregon. The first teacher and class of students will begin this September. You may even recognize the teacher, Hannah Kirk, since she used to work at our Emmanuel Preschool in the toddler classroom. At the time, she was just starting out in her teaching career as a Teacher's Assistant, so we are so excited to see her come full circle back into the space as the Lead Teacher. Congrats, Hannah!





# Thank you to our Grounds Team (Doug Laird, David & Terrye Laird, Al Rumsch, and Mark Jennings) for keeping the parish and Shepherd House grounds looking beautiful!

If you enjoy working in the yard/garden and are available to volunteer even just a few hours here and there, the Grounds Team would very much appreciate your help. Please call Doug Laird at 541-297-8196 or Al Rumsch at 541-266-9660 if you can volunteer, even if just for a few hours a month. Thank you!

## Dedication Day in 1950 of the third building which is now used as the Educational Building

When structural problems with the church building developed, a new church and parish hall was proposed for the congregation, then under the leadership of the Rev. Robert Greene. Dedication Day of the third church building, now used as our education wing, took place in 1950. During 1950 a rectory was also constructed on the grounds – currently named the Parish House, this building is used for offices, meetings, and outreach work. No sooner was construction completed than plans for the fourth church building were begun and our new sanctuary wing was completed in 1954 during the Rev. Leslie Dunton's term as Rector.

The Rev. Thomas L. Murdock: *The inspiration received from the knowledge that in this place there was another generation which proclaimed and acted out the Good News ought to enable us to trust that another generation will follow.* 



~submitted by Eric Kohler

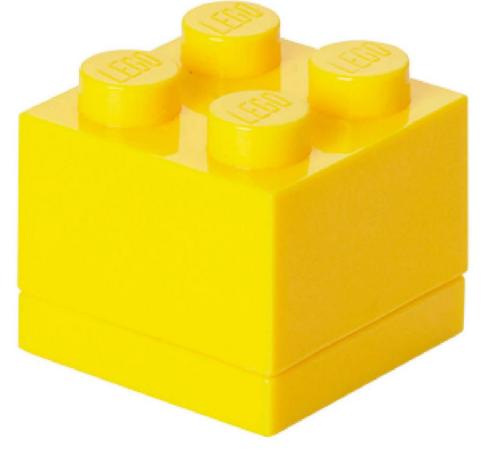
# EPISCOPAL YOUTH EVENT

### 2023 Episcopal Youth Event

The Episcopal Youth Event is a gathering of youth ages 15-19 from around the world who assemble on a college campus to learn, laugh, and worship together. Visitors to the Lifelong Learning table at the 2023 Episcopal Youth Event were asked, "What about the church do you celebrate?" They wrote their answers on a Lego block and added them to the construction pictured. Some of the responses were: LOVE!!!, uniqueness, Community, family, others finding God, belonging, connection, service, armor, Peace!, The Joy of God, and knowing you're always loved and welcomed.

# What about our church do you celebrate? Write it on the Lego pictured below and Kerri will share it in the September newsletter.







Pierce Davidson Birthday - August 3 Amanda Sullivan Birthday - August 3 Bob Richardson Birthday - August 3 Liz Cowden Birthday - August 4 Pat & Nancy Cross Anniversary - August 7 Sue Wall Birthday - August 9 Revs' Patti & Doug Hale Anniversary - August 11 Kate Moody Birthday – August 17 Nancylee Stewart Birthday - August 17 Faye Stuart Birthday - August 17 Andy & Lynn Nasburg Anniversary - August 18 Lyla Davidson Birthday - August 18 Audrey Lankford Birthday - August 18 Lily Hanlin Birthday - August 19 Chuck & Diana Wall Anniversary - August 22 Rev. Patti Hale Birthday - August 23 Nadine Archer Allen Birthday - August 27 Xandra McKeown Birthday - August 29 Robert Cribbins Birthday - August 30 Barb Praus Birthday - August 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!* 

\*\*September Newsletter Submissions Deadline is Thursday, August 24th\*\*