

# The Messenger May 2025

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

#### **Rector's Reflection**

I want to write about the Parish nursery. Not the Coastal Families Relief Nursery, which we host in the north/south education wing of our building, but the parish nursery that can be used for little humans aged 0-4 on Sunday mornings so that parents/guardians can attend church. THAT nursery. In March, I proposed an overhaul with the help of the Program Director of the Relief Nursery, Kallie Mill, who knows everything there is to know about such a space for the littles. The Vestry was all in. We sorted through the toys and got rid of old and broken ones and purchased new ones. We replaced the little table and chairs which were wobbly and mismatched. We put in a new central carpet, and we completely repainted it. Everything is fresh and happy and ready to go! On Easter, we baptized Jett James in the service. His big sister Quinnlynn James (whom we baptized a short minute ago) Beta-tested the newly updated nursery on Easter with her grandmother and with the help of Nancy Layne. I am happy to report that the nursery is Quinnlynn approved!! I am also happy to say that we are in the process of hiring one of the staff from the Relief Nursery (who is uber qualified for childcare) who will soon be available every Sunday from 8:30am-10:30am. (That

means every Sunday whether children show up or not... we cannot say we have childcare and not have it staffed.) We will ALSO be looking for a pool of volunteers to take turns being in the Nursery with our hired staff member to ensure we are in compliance with our Safe Church policy, which requires two adults to be present with children. If just eight people were willing to volunteer for Sunday nursery duty, it would mean only one Sunday out of every eight weeks. This seems doable to me. *Please let Kerri, in the office, know if you are willing to volunteer or a sign-up will be available in the undercroft on the coffee bar.* This is good news! We hope everyone will invite families with littles to come to church.



See you in church! Patti+

### Just a friendly reminder! Rev. Sr. Patti Hale, OPA will be on sabbatical June-August.



#### Introduction of The Rev. Dr. Anthony A. Hutchinson

I am an Episcopal/Anglican priest retired from full-time ministry and also a retired US foreign service officer (1986-2011). I am Anglo-Catholic in faith and liturgical style and am committed to a welcoming Church that embodies grace in its life and practice. I was ordained and first served as a priest in Hong Kong, and later in Beijing, and was rector at Trinity Episcopal Parish in Ashland Oregon 1/1/2012-1/9/2022. In retirement I am working on The Ashland Bible, a translation of the entire Bible from Greek, Hebrew, and Aramaic into modern inclusive vernacular English in cadences and register suitable for public reading.

#### Summer Schedule of Services

#### **IUNE**

- 1 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 8 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 15 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion/Dennis Smith Preaching
- 22 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 29 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion and preaches

#### **IULY**

- 6 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion/Dennis Smith Preaching and Leading a coffee hour forum
- 13 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 20 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion and preaches
- 27 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist

#### **AUGUST**

- 3 Nat Jaeggli leads Morning Prayer/preaches
- 10 Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 17 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion and preaches
- 24 Last Sunday- Rev. Tony Hutchinson supplies for Holy Eucharist
- 31 Sr. Amy leads Ante-Communion/Dennis Smith Preaching and leading coffee hour forum

#### <u>September</u>

Rev. Patti's first Sunday back from sabbatical... extended coffee hour celebration after church

In case of Pastoral Emergency during this time, call Rev. Doug Hale, Vicar at St John's Bandon, who is on call for Emmanuel throughout the summer. 541-654-1020



Photos from the 2025 Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service at Sunset Bay.





#### Junior Warden Report

St. Eligius Guild members have demolished and disposed of a rotted and unstable section of freestanding wall that was in corner of the playground and the Parish House. Coast Metal Works has submitted a bid for the fabrication and installation of a section of fence to replace the wall.

Progress has been made on the door project. We have consulted with Stephen Gederos, a carpenter, on our options to accomplish our goal to improve access through both the upper and lower doors, and to provide increased door latch functionality to include "dogging". "The term 'dogging' refers to the exit device's ability to retract and hold the latch bolt. A dogging exit device will have an Allen keyhole in the push pad to manually retract the latch bolt during business hours.'

It has been determined that the best way to proceed is to replace the lower doors with a new, single, 42" door, and to retain the existing upper doors, modified with new hardware. We are awaiting a formal bid.

St. Eligius Guild members also recently mowed, trimmed and edged the lawn, cleaned up flower gardens, and sprayed weeds on the church grounds. Work was done during our recent yard work party, and at other opportunities of convenience. As the spring and summer progress, the Guild will continue with the ground's maintenance. We anticipate engaging a yard service to handle larger jobs such as hedge and tree trimming.

~ Submitted by Al Rumsch, Junior Warden



#### **Coos Food Cupboard**

For the month of May, the food cupboard would like to extend another invitation to volunteer. Food pantries serve as a lifeline for families and individuals facing hunger, providing them with essential nourishment and support. Volunteers are the backbone of food pantries, dedicating their time and energy to help those in need.

The support from the food pantry not only provides immediate nourishment but also a sense of hope and community. If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please contact Brian Sullivan for details at 541-223-6784 <u>OR</u> brianjcfc@gmail.com.

Please consider a monetary donation to the Coos Food Cupboard. Checks should be made out to "Coos Food Cupboard" and can be dropped off to the parish office or mailed to P.O. Box 1028, Coos Bay, 97420.

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

~Submitted by Brian Sullivan, CFC Board Member













## Come enjoy a Free meal with us.

Community Meal available to all.

"5<sup>th</sup> Saturday" of May 24, 2025 (Please note the date change for this month!) 11:00am – 1:00pm

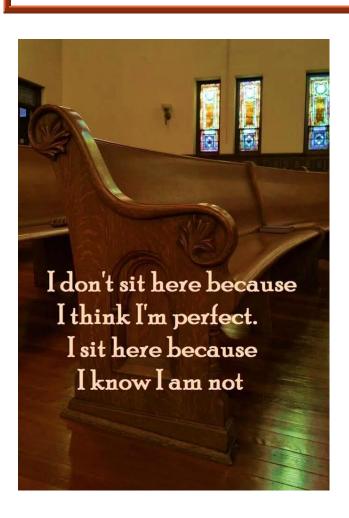
> At Harmony Methodist Church 123 Ocean Blvd SE, Coos Bay

Menu: A Scrumptious Surprise!
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.





# Dignity in Being Clean: Special Thanks to Nancylee Stewart, Terrye Laird, Janet Huggins, Robert Cribbins, Liz Cowden, Elizabeth Roman, Jill Davidson, and Rev. Patti!

Thank you to all who donated items and/or time to make the upstairs parish house bathroom and shower more welcoming and sanitary for our guests who have no or limited access to one. These guests are either currently affiliated with the Coastal Families Relief Nursery or with the parish office when they have come in seeking assistance with personal hygiene items. These individuals are in the process of rebuilding, which includes maintaining new employment or seeking employment and to do so, we are now able to help provide them with resources to maintain their dignity in being clean. Thank you, Emmanuel!











Cindy Harper Birthday - May 5

Sarah Jennings Birthday - May 7

Troy Cribbins Birthday - May 9

Al Rumsch Birthday - May 12

Melissa Cribbins Birthday - May 12

Emmett Hale Birthday - May 14

Bob Huggins Birthday - May 14

Wilbur Jensen Birthday - May 19

Jeff Laird Birthday - May 23

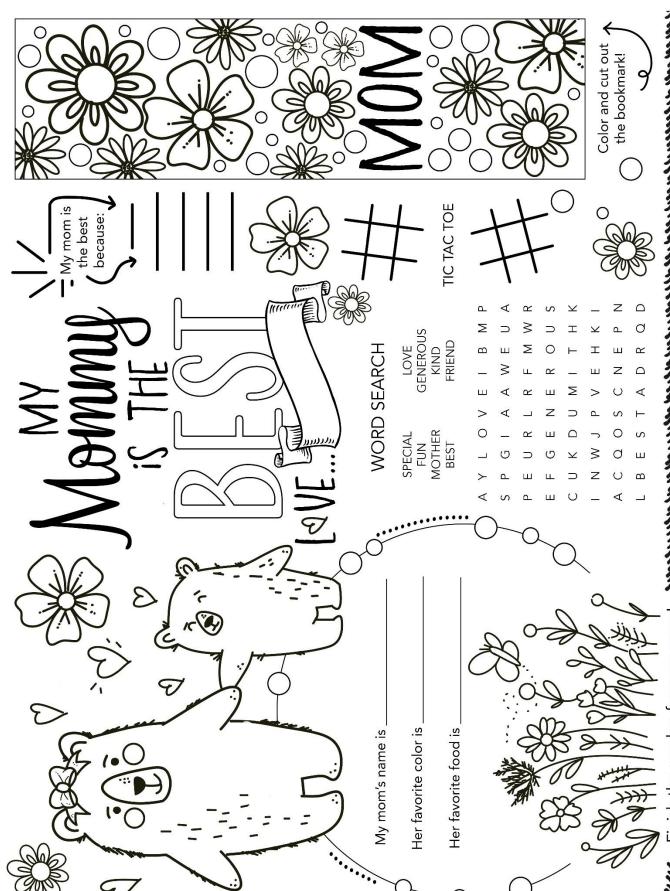
Grace Laird Birthday - May 23

Shirley Culver Birthday – May 25

Dave Kronsteiner Birthday - May 26

Jill & Jason Davidson Anniversary - May 31

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!* 



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