



The Messenger

August 2021

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Rector's Reflections

August 4-7 Amy Linder and I will be away to Puerto Rico for the Annual Chapter (conference) of the Anglican Order of Preachers more commonly referred to as the Dominicans. Like the Roman Catholic Church, the Anglicans have Religious Orders. Like all things Anglican, they are modeled after the Orders that existed before the Reformation. A Religious Order is made of individuals who are called by God to a particular commitment of vows to a particular way of life in order to draw closer to God. Religious Orders follow a variety of 'charisms' or unique characteristics. For example, some Religious Orders are cloistered, meaning the members of the community do not leave their convent or monastery. Their life together IS the place of prayer and the school of holiness. Other communities are 'apostolic' meaning they are sent out into particular missions like founding and teaching in schools, work with the poorest of poor, health care and work in hospitals etc.

The Dominicans were founded in 1221 by St. Dominic as a preaching Order to pray, preach and teach 'for the salvation of souls'. I have been a Life Professed Sister since 2018. I began my formation in 2014 as an inquirer, and then became a Postulant. The first year a Postulant is introduced to the community and engages in a course of study with other Postulants to dive more deeply into the Dominican charism and to discern if this is a way of life that God calls them to embrace. After a year of Postulancy if the individual feels called forward *and* if the formation directors affirm the call then the Postulant is formally admitted to the community, makes temporary vows and is made a Novice.

In our community it is when a person becomes a Novice that they take and wear the holy habit of St. Dominic. I became a Novice in 2016. After our trip you will regularly see Amy wearing a white alb, black cincture, Dominican Cross and a Capuce. A capuce is the cape/hood that identifies her as living under temporary vows. We will formally refer to her as 'Sister Amy'. As a Novice Amy will be fully practicing the Rule of Life of our community and beginning a two year study process and discernment toward Life Vows. The vows of the Anglican Order of Preachers are Simplicity, Purity and Obedience. Our Rule of Life is to pray the Morning and Evening Office daily, study the Bible for an hour a day, preach whenever possible and participate in the Community.

Our Order is not housed in a monastery but dispersed. At this moment we have members of the Order serving in the US, Canada, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Venezuela, Colombia, Australia, Philippines, India, and UK. We are clergy and lay, men/women, single/married, from the many Anglican provinces in communion with the See of Canterbury, each living in their own homes and contexts and living the Rule of Life.

On Sunday August 29, at both services, we will have a special prayer and recognition of Amy's vocation and pray God's blessing for her perseverance in the offering of herself to God in this way of life. Please pray for us as we travel and let us make a special effort to pray for the thousands of Religious Brothers and Sisters everywhere in the Body of Christ who are in constant prayer for the world.
Blessings upon you, *Rev. Patti+*

***SAVE THE DATE: Amy Linder Novicing Ceremony via ZOOM
Friday, August 6 at 2:00 PM***

**Rev. Dr. Patti Hale will be out of town from August 2 - 17.
In case of emergency pastoral care, please call Rev. Karen Lowe at 541-290-2122.**



Junior Warden Report

Greetings to All!

It was a special treat the evening of July 11 to gather as a congregation for a delicious dinner and wonderful companionship. Hopefully as the pandemic – at least for those vaccinated -has abated, we will have more opportunities to come together as an entire congregation in God's love.

I'd like to especially thank Dave & Barb Kronsteiner for the delicious tri-tip we so enjoyed. Dave also deserves kudos for his skillful attention in grilling the meat.



This leads to another "thank you" to the anonymous donor of the new grill and cover. Reports I've heard say it works well!

A big thank you to Dedee Ousley for her donation of the propane tanks.

Lawn Boys, Al and Doug, earn gratitude for assembling the new grill. There were a lot of pieces to put together. The good news is I've heard there weren't that many pieces left over.

Continuing the grill theme – it now has the missing shelf installed – which only required one trip to Farr's. Those of you that are DIY fans know one trip to the store is a win!

The missing shelf wasn't installed as the grill was too wide for the existing plywood cover. Thus, the new fabric cover. According to the building guys at the dinner, to rebuild the plywood cover would take a couple sheets of plywood – not to mention the time & energy involved in rebuilding the old cover. The fabric cover was under \$30 – another win!



If you want the old wood cover, let me know. Otherwise, parts will be stripped and off to the recycling center it goes.

Work continues to secure bids for painting the church. Unfortunately, paint contractors are so busy I continue to have great difficulty securing a bid so we can schedule the project.

On a final note, the church grounds continue to look beautiful. Thanks Doug, Al & Terrye!

Hope to see you all at our next gathering,
Dave Laird, Junior Warden

Sunday Dinners at Emmanuel

With all the summer travel and local events happening around town, the August Sunday dinner has been postponed until the first or second Sunday of October when more members of Emmanuel will be able to attend. The Hospitality Guild is excited to offer Sunday Dinners on a quarterly basis going forward so stay tuned for more information!

Altar Guild Training in the Sanctuary

Thursday, August 26

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The altar guild will be meeting with Rev. Patti for a day of team building, training and lunch. If you are interested in serving on the altar guild, please join us!





Music Ministry

Musical greetings, Emmanuel!

In July I played sonatas by Domenico Scarlatti on three Sundays. Scarlatti was born in Naples, Italy, in 1685, the same year that Johann Sebastian Bach and George Frederic Handel were born. Reportedly, Scarlatti and Handel had a battle of the bands—Scarlatti won on harpsichord and Handel on organ.

Scarlatti directed music at St. Peter’s Julian Chapel in the Vatican before moving to Seville at age 48 to take the position of Master of Music for the Queen of Spain. He lived there the remaining 25 years of his life, and wrote most of his 555 keyboard sonatas—which you just had the opportunity to hear three of—during that time. He was a great admirer of Handel, who you will be hearing from in August.

Kate Moody, Parish Music Director
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Pledge Statements

Pledge statements were recently mailed out. If any errors were made, I would appreciate you letting me know when you find one, whether it is to a pledge, a donation or something else. You can contact me by phone – 541-252-1076, text to the same number or email me at pnichols@gci.net. If you do email me and haven’t heard back within a 24 hour period, please call or text to let me know - sometimes my email has a problem.

Also, please get in touch with me if you have any questions about stewardship. If I don’t know, I’ll certainly find out who does and the answer.

Blessings,
Patti Nichols



Ride Share for Linda Kline

Linda, a lifelong Episcopalian, recently moved to Coos Bay to be closer to family. However, Linda is unable to drive herself to church services so we are looking for someone who attends the 10:00 AM service who may be able to help. She lives on N. Main Street in Coos Bay. Please contact Rev. Patti for more information, 541-654-3758 or rev.patti.hale@gmail.com. Thank you!

Coos Food Cupboard

Many of the clients of the Coos Food Cupboard do not have access to a place to cook so donations of canned ready-to-eat meals would be greatly appreciated for the month of August. Some examples of ready-to-eat meals are ravioli, beef stew, chili, and spaghetti-o’s. Thank you for your support of the food cupboard!



History of Emmanuel by Barbara McKeown

In 1998, Barbara McKeown wrote about the history of Emmanuel that she “put together with help of old scrap books and the recorded word.” Pat Cross recently shared this document with Rev. Patti and Kerri in the office and both found it wonderfully well-written and a special look back into the history of Emmanuel.

Still true today and as Barbara wrote even back then, “One thing I must say. We are doing great ecumenical things now and it might please you to know that Emmanuel Parish saw the need for it way back in 1915...There is indeed marvelous generosity and a bond of friendship that lives on today at Emmanuel Parish.”

If you would like a full copy of Barbara McKeown’s history of Emmanuel, copies are available in the parish office and church entryway.

“The Gourmet Bumble legs”

Posted by Mark Jennings to the Meal Train website:

Meal Train suggests sharing a meal photo. Ha! They don’t know well your blessed hands cook for those you love. There’s never time enough to photograph the food. Almost lost a finger tonight dishing up the meal in front of mom. Well... The essence and substance of the Eucharist is found and shared and instilled through meals like these. You bless us and those who share in them with us by every bite and prayer. Angel food without the Bundt pan. The Lord bless and keep you. Mom’s spirit brightens with every meal visit. I spent most of the walking with a cane or none at all. Allelu Yah! *Mark & Judy*

Visiting Youth Group BBQ

Thank you to the Hospitality Guild, Cullen Cribbins and Erin Donley for making the BBQ for the visiting youth group a huge success. A fun time was had by all!



****September Newsletter Submissions Deadline is Wednesday, August 25th****



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

Rev's Patti & Doug Hale 31st Wedding Anniversary - August 11

Kate Moody Birthday - August 17

Nancylee Stewart Birthday - August 17

Faye Stuart Birthday - August 17

Andy & Lynn Nasburg 64th Wedding Anniversary - August 18

Lyla Davidson Birthday - August 18

Audrey Lankford Birthday - August 18

Lily Hanlin Birthday - August 19

Chuck & Diana Wall 51st Wedding Anniversary - August 22

Rev. Patti Hale Birthday - August 23

Nadine Archer Allen Birthday - August 27

Xandra McKeown Birthday - August 29

Gene & Grace Svatos Anniversary - August 30

Robert Cribbins Birthday - August 30

Barb Praus Birthday - August 30