



# *The Messenger*

## *July 2023*

Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
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### **Rector Reflection**

In four weeks, Sister Amy and I will be traveling to the Seattle area for the annual meeting of the Anglican Order of Preachers, the religious Order to which we both belong. This year's Chapter is significant for both of us. First, Sr. Amy will be making Life Profession with these words:

+ In the Name of God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. +  
Recognizing the sovereignty of God, and desiring to be ever in his service, and in deeper fulfillment of my Baptismal vows, I now come before the Divine Majesty and before you my Brothers and Sisters, most solemnly to make a humble profession of my Life Vows.

Before God the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, I vow, for the rest of my earthly life, to carry out in my life the love and example of Jesus Christ as understood by the Anglican Order of Preachers.

Specifically I vow...

-To be obedient to Almighty God by placing myself under the authority of the Anglican Order of Preachers and the direction of my superiors in the Order.

-To be chaste and pure according to my state of life being (married/unmarried)

-To live simply, not going after gain of temporal things, but using all things given to my charge for the building of the Kingdom of God.

-To be diligent in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments; to uphold their authority, and to seek to understand them in the light of the Holy Spirit; to proclaim them Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, by word and example, unto the salvation of souls and the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ.

-To be diligent in regular and catholic prayer; for intercession for the Church and for the world before God, for the strengthening of my faith, and for the formation of my soul.

These are my solemn vows. +

It's a big deal. The Profession Mass will be live streamed on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 7:00pm if you can tune in. The link will be posted the week before the meeting. Let us all spend July in prayer for Sr. Amy as she prepares to take this monumental step in her life of faith.

Also of significance is that I will be installed as the new Master of the Order. This means being the Superior for the 121 members (and growing) of our Order worldwide. We are in the US, Canada, UK, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Brazil, Colombia, Philippines, Australia and South Africa. It too is a big deal in the sense that it is a profound honor to be chosen to lead our community for the next six years. I ask your prayers for this holy work as well. I hope to share with you the kinds of work our Brothers and Sisters do in other parts of the country and the world for the strengthening of the Church through excellence in preaching.



See you in Church! *Patti*+



### Coos Food Cupboard

The food cupboard needs volunteers, especially as the number of clients visiting the food cupboard has been drastically increasing month after month. Volunteers are needed Monday, Wednesday, and Friday's from 12 PM- 2 PM for distribution and on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday's from 9 AM – 10:30 AM to unload and stock the food. If you would like to know more or to offer your time as a volunteer, please contact Brian Sullivan at 541-217-0258 or Diana Schab at 541-297-2504.

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

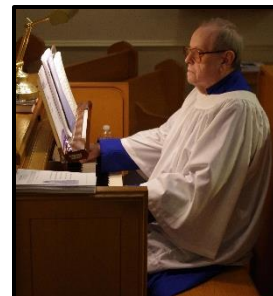
### From the Music Director, Tom Collins

I wish to offer my deepest thanks to all our choir members (and other musicians) for the outstanding participation this past winter and spring. We were able to sing our way through Joseph Martin's wonderful collection, "The Celtic Choir", in addition to numerous other beautiful anthems.

Thanks also to Kerry Oxford for her beautiful vocal solos and to Wilbur Jensen and Al Rumsch for their instrumental contributions to our choral anthems.

Please watch the newsletter for notices concerning choir rehearsals to begin probably in late August. New members are always welcome!

God bless you and have a wonderful summer! Gratefully, *Tom Collins*



### Community Engagement Specialist, Tammy Aley

Rev. Patti is part of a cohort of local church leaders who regularly meet to discuss challenges and successes they experience as clergy in Coos County. One of those discussions recently brought about an amazing new collaboration with Tammy Aley, and we are excited to work alongside her to assist those in need in our community. If you would like to contribute to this community outreach, please donate to the Rector's Discretionary fund. Thank you!

### What does a Community Engagement Specialist do?

Do you need guidance in connecting with community resources? Are you looking for housing options, Veteran services, food services, behavioral health assistance, and other needs? Do you need assistance with job applications or your resumé? Do you need help with filling out forms? The Community Engagement Specialist is here to help you! Tammy is available at both the Coos Bay and North Bend public libraries.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment, please contact her at:

Tammy Aley, Community Engagement Specialist  
541-808-7244 or by email at: tammy.aley@chw.coos.or.us

Monday – Coos Bay Public Library: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. by appointment only

Wednesday – North Bend Public Library: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. by appointment only

Thursday – North Bend Public Library: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. by appointment only

Friday – Coos Bay Public Library: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. by appointment only

Since there is a high volume of needs in our area, it is best to call or email before coming into the library. Sometimes walk-in meetings are available, but calling in advance is always best. Please be sure to leave a message.



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

Community Meal available to all.

5<sup>th</sup> Saturday of July 29, 2023  
11:00am – 1:00pm

At Harmony Methodist Church  
123 Ocean Blvd SE, Coos Bay

*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.



# Vacation Bible School

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
1290 Thompson Road, Coos Bay, OR



July 17 - 21, 2023

9:30 am - noon daily

Call 541-267-2347 to register!

## Announcing Operation Restoration VBS!

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is hosting a Vacation Bible School called Operation Restoration: Mending God's World. During this exciting weeklong program, kids learn to be menders of the universe as they explore the daily themes of Feed, Heal, Forgive, Pray, and Rest.

Operation Restoration is scheduled at the location of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1290 Thompson Road, Coos Bay from July 17 through July 21. Each daily session starts at 9:30 AM and ends at 12:00 PM. This VBS is open to all kids who have just finished grades K through 5<sup>th</sup>. To learn more, call 541-267-2347, send an email to [office.gloriadeifamily@gmail.com](mailto:office.gloriadeifamily@gmail.com) or visit the website [www.gloriadeifamily.org](http://www.gloriadeifamily.org).

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# Old Church Bell Will Ring

"Call to worship" will once more be heralded by the ringing of the old church bell at Emmanuel Episcopal church, Coos Bay. Installed in a new bell tower at the corner of Fourth and Highland, the bell acquired about 1914 for the then new church at Fourth and Market, will be blessed at a special ceremony during the 11 a.m. Sunday service, Nov. 19. The Rev. Harry R. Heeney will conduct the ceremony.

Originally the bell was the property of St. Luke's Episcopal church at Empire. Prior to 1914, Emmanuel church stood where the Coos Bay public library now stands. When the church bell was to have been moved to the new church on the corner of Fourth and Market, it was found to be too large for the tower. As a result, a trade was made for the bell on St. Luke's Episcopal Church at Empire.

Rung for the last time for an Emmanuel church service in late 1947

when the Rev. Thomas Lewis was rector, it was sold with the church building at Fourth and Market. Later it was bought back by Emmanuel parish and stored awaiting proper housing.

Designed by Fred Cook the tower has been built by men of the parish with donated materials.

## 3 Children Choirs Set

The organization of three children's choirs has been completed this week at First Methodist Church, Coos Bay. A 4- and 5-year-old choir meets each Saturday at 10:45 a.m. under the direction of Miss Patricia Wood and Miss Vada Lindsay. This choir is preparing to sing for the first time on Christmas Sunday.

Other choirs for grades 1-to-3 and 4-to-6 meet at 4:15 each Monday afternoon under the leader-

The 11 o'clock service also will include the reading of a pastoral letter from the House of Episcopal Bishops.

The "Minor Sacraments" will be the topic for the school of religion in the parish hall at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Holy Communion will be celebrated twice Thanksgiving Day at 6:30 and 10 a.m. The 10 a.m. service will include choral music.

## Archangel's Call Topic

COQUILLE — "The Archangel's Call" will be the sermon theme for the worship services at Faith Lutheran Church at both 8:30 and 11 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 19. Pastor Delbert W. Zier announces that this is a continuation of the messages under the general theme: "Life Beyond The Grave." The Senior Choir will provide special



# RUNNING the RACE

## SUMMER Reading Plan

### Life – and exercise – move at different paces for different people.

Some enjoy leisurely walks, strolls or rolls, while others speed-walk, jog or even sprint. Some people have a 26.2 sticker on their vehicle, indicating they've run a marathon, while others boast of running a half-marathon (13.1) or no marathon (0.0)!

Thankfully, you don't have to be an athlete of any kind to run the Christian "race." The Bible uses running metaphors, however, to encourage followers of Jesus to train, focus, persevere and attain the heavenly prize. Use this Summer Reading Plan to strengthen your faith and your relationship with Jesus. Complete one square each day or every other day, and you'll journey through significant chunks of the New Testament this summer. Feel free to invite a friend or family member to join you as a "running partner"!



**Mile 1 Read Philippians 1**  
Re-read verse 6 and consider how your faith journey is a work in progress.

**Mile 3 Read Philippians 3**  
Look back at verses 13 and 14, and brainstorm a list of ways to keep your eyes on the heavenly "prize."

**Mile 5 Read Colossians 1**  
Re-read verse 11. Name three specific ways God gives you strength and endurance.

**Mile 7 Read Colossians 3**  
Look back at verses 23 and 24. What keeps you running for God, not for other people or for personal accolades?

**Mile 9 Read 1 Timothy 1**  
Doodle about how God's law keeps you from wandering away from him.

**Mile 11 Read 1 Timothy 3**  
What aspects of staying "above reproach" are most challenging for you as a follower of Jesus?

**Mile 13 Read 1 Timothy 5**  
Anonymously perform a kind deed for someone in your family or community.

**Mile 15 Read 2 Timothy 1**  
Describe specific ways your life reveals a spirit of power, a spirit of love and a spirit of self-discipline.

**Mile 17 Read 2 Timothy 3**  
Add a daily Bible-reading time to your spiritual training regimen.

**Mile 19 Read James 1**  
Look back at verse 12. Reflect on how God has kept his promises to you. How does that help you during times of trial?

**Mile 21 Read James 3**  
Re-read verses 17 and 18. Pray for godly wisdom as you continue your faith journey.

**Mile 23 Read James 5**  
After re-reading verse 19, think of ways to reach out to people who have wandered away from God.

**Mile 25 Read John 20:1-18**  
Consider how the good news of Jesus' resurrection gives you reasons to run and share the Gospel message.

➔ **Mile 2 Read Philippians 2**  
Re-read verse 5 and pray to have the same attitude as Jesus.

**Mile 4 Read Philippians 4**  
Write verse 13 on a sticky note and place it where you'll see it daily.

**Mile 6 Read Colossians 2**  
Review verses 6 and 7, make a gratitude list and say a prayer of thanks to God.

**Mile 8 Read Colossians 4**  
Write a note or letter to someone who needs spiritual encouragement.

**Mile 10 Read 1 Timothy 2**  
Re-read verses 5 and 6. Offer praise to Jesus for being our mediator and ransom — and for running the race perfectly for us.

**Mile 12 Read 1 Timothy 4**  
As you exercise, ponder verse 8 and brainstorm ways to build your spiritual muscles.

**Mile 14 Read 1 Timothy 6**  
Review verses 11 and 12. In what ways might faith be viewed as a fight? To whom have you made bold profession of your faith?

**Mile 16 Read 2 Timothy 2**  
Re-read verse 5. The next time you participate in or watch a sporting event, compare the value of God's "victor's crown" to earthly achievements.

**Mile 18 Read 2 Timothy 4**  
Memorize verse 7. Think about people you know who have already "finished the race." How can their example strengthen you?

**Mile 20 Read James 2**  
Put your faith into action today by meeting someone's needs.

**Mile 22 Read James 4**  
Review verse 8. Confess your sins to God and ask him to come near you.

**Mile 24 Read Luke 15:11-32**  
When have you run away from God? What brought you back? When have you seen proof of God running toward you (see verse 20, as well as James 4:8)?

➔ **Mile 26 Read 1 John 1**  
Re-read verse 7. Write "Walk in the Light" on a sticky note, and place it by a lamp or light switch.

**Mile 26.2 Read Revelation 2:10** Praise God aloud: "Come, Lord Jesus!"





### **Episcopal Church of Western Oregon: New Diocesan Office Location and Timeline**

Our Diocesan Offices are moving in the last week of July! We are moving into the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest building at 2780 SE Harrison St. in Milwaukie. Read Bishop Akiyama's message to the diocese in this morning's Digest here: <https://ecwo.org/new-diocesan-office-location-and-timeline/>

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

**September 9 @ 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

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 Bishop Diana Akiyama, 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.



### **July Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**Ginna Richardson Birthday - July 3**

**John & Teri Whitty Anniversary - July 10**

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!*

**\*\*August Newsletter Submissions Deadline is Tuesday, July 25th\*\***