



The Parish of St. Mark the Evangelist
Hood River, Oregon

The Epistle

The Rev Anna Carmichael, Rector

September 2010



Bible study begins and will meet every Monday beginning on September 13—10am and 6pm.



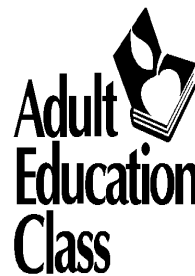
Bible Study

Homecoming Sunday

On Sunday, Sept 12, we will celebrate St. Mark's Homecoming Sunday with a pot-luck and cookout in the church parking lot. In order to make this event a success, we'll need a little help: a couple of grills for doing the bbq (and folks willing to grill) , folks to move out tables/ chairs, folks to make tea/lemonade, folks to donate mustard, ketchup, bbq sauce, relish, and some yummy potluck dishes. We'll provide hamburgers, hotdogs, buns and veggie burgers. There is a sign up sheet on the kitchen refrigerator!

Children's Christian Education meeting for parents and teaching volunteers is this Wednesday, (Sept 1) at 6:30pm. Please bring your calendars

Mid-Week Feast Day Services
Sept 15: mid-week Eucharist at noon: Holy Cross Day
Sept 29: mid-week Eucharist at noon: St. Michael & All Angels



Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

- Sept 5: The Apostle's Creed
- Sept 12: The Lord's Prayer
- Sept 19: The Book of Common Prayer, pt 1
- Sept 26: The Book of Common Prayer, pt 2



Join the Choir...
You'll Be Glad You Did!

Interested in choir? There will be an informational meeting on Wed, Sept 15 at 6pm to talk about *Wonder, Love & Praise*, rehearsals, and singing opportunities



All the women of the parish are invited to come to movie night at St. Mark's on Friday, September 24 at 6:30 pm. Bring a snack to share. The movie this month is "The Secret Life of Bees"

Remember! If you need a ride to any service or event, just call the office and we'll pick you up in the church van.



Greetings St. Mark's friends!

There is much to rejoice about these days! The search committee and vestry have now completely completed their task, and together we celebrated new ministries in our community. Soon teachers and students will return to classrooms, and routines will be re-established. Finally, we can take a breath.

But only for a moment...

While Bishop Nedi was here visiting in August, she asked the vestry a very important question that has been burning in my brain: What do we love doing that we can share with the community? Well, a few things immediately come to mind: we love our folks in AA and open our doors to everyone to join in the dialogue; we love children and support them and their families through Free Clothes for Kids; we love each other and support one another in fellowship and prayer; we love our neighbors and support them through Good Neighbor Day. But there's always room for more!! Anytime that you think to yourself "I really enjoy this", think of someone you could invite to share it with. St. Mark's is a place where everyone really is welcome...and not just on Sundays! Invite folks to join you on a hike, or for Chick Flix, or our next game night. Why not bring them to a mid-week Eucharist?

At the Commissioning of New Ministries, I recognized that each of you, in your daily life and work, are ministers of St. Mark's. Now is the time to put your hands and feet in motion...be Christ's hands at work in the world and share what you love doing with someone else.

Blessings and peace to you!

Anna

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer resumes again September 16th... We will be meeting on Thursday afternoons from 4:30 – 5:30... It is a great opportunity to join with others, to pray for others. We begin by sharing the things that have come up in our lives the past week. We ask for prayers for ourselves, the community, and the world, and then spend time in silent prayer. Afterward, we read and reflect on the day's sacred text. Henri Nouwen says "if we could just be, for a few minutes each day, fully where we are, we would indeed discover that we are not alone and that the One who is with us wants only one thing: to give us love. Listening to the voice of love requires that we direct our minds and hearts toward that voice with all our attention... Once we come to know that inner, holy place, a place more beautiful and precious than any place we can travel to, we want to be there and be spiritually fed." This is an opportunity to sit with a few others weekly to practice this, that we may be prepared to live our prayers out in the world. We welcome one and all~



Individual prayers are offered to you from our prayer group participants in the chapel after you receive communion if you so desire...



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| John Bright | 9/1 | If your name |
| Herb Lange | 9/21 | is not |
| Debbie Hipkind | 9/25 | included |
| Luke Samuels | 9/29 | here, please |
| Patti Browning | 9/30 | let us know. |
| | | |
| Nick & Carolyn Kirby | 9/19 | |
| Warren & Marge Thompson | 9/19 | |
| Kent & Marjorie Rosemont | 9/22 | |

Daughters of the King Fall Assembly

The Diocese of Oregon has invited Daughters and interested women to the Fall Assembly on Sept 18. Our own Rev Anna is the diocesan chaplain for both Oregon and Eastern Oregon. If you are interested in attending, please let Anna know no later than September 15.

Free Clothes for Kids As you clean out your closets this summer, please keep St. Mark's in mind. We will once again offer the "Free Clothes for Kids" day which was such a success last fall. You can bring your donations to the church and we will store them in the basement.

GEM (Gorge Ecumenical Ministries)
 September 25, Crop Walk
 Shedding light on Hunger in the Gorge, and raising \$ for FISH and WGAP food banks. Christine Lange is St. Mark's recruiter.
 October 9 Good Neighbor Saturday
 A way to volunteer for one community work day with Faith in Action

VESTRY MEETING SUMMARY from August 11

- Eucharist was Celebrated.
- Rector's report and Installation planning were presented.
- Work assignments for Vestry members address these responsibility areas: Finance, EDEO Liaison, "Little Feet", Worship, Education, Outreach and Pastoral Care, Hospitality and Fellowship, Stewardship and Evangelism.
- Discussion of means to re-establish choir participation.
- Outreach budget and upcoming opportunities offered.
- September series on Aging to be presented at Columbia Gorge Community College, Indian Creek campus.
- New "Little Feet" proposed contract to include increased charges for rent and utilities, as well as redefined space sharing.
- Treasurer's report detailed and accepted.
- Endowment status and credit card options given.
- Stairway rails and lighting installed. Roof de-mossing and abatement completed.
- Training for St. Mark's members to assist in custodial functions during Convention available.

Please look for complete Minutes on Parish Hall bulletin board.
PARISHIONERS WELCOME TO ATTEND! NEXT VESTRY MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 8, 6:30

BUILDING USE FOR SEPTEMBER

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| | | | 1 5:30 AA | 2 Noon AA 4:30 Prayer 6p GA | 3 Noon AA/ ALANON | 4 8p AA |
| 5 8 & 10am 9am Adult Ed 11am Pastoral Care Group | 6 Office Closed Noon AA | 7 Noon AA 6p AA 7p ALANON 8p AA | 8 Noon Guild 5:30p AA 6:30 Vestry | 9 Noon AA 4:30 Prayer 6p GA | 10 Noon AA/ ALANON | 14 8p AA |
| 12 Homecoming Sunday 9am Adult Ed Sunday School | 13 Noon AA Bible Study 10a & 6p | 14 Noon AA 6p AA 7p ALANON 8p AA | 15 Noon service 5:30p AA | 16 Noon AA 4:30 Prayer 6p GA | 17 Noon AA/ ALANON | 18 8p AA |
| 19 8 & 10am 9am Adult Ed | 20 Noon AA Bible Study 10a & 6p | 21 Noon AA 6p AA 7p ALANON 8p AA | 22 5:30 AA | 23 Noon AA 4:30 Prayer 6p GA | 24 Noon AA/ ALANON 6:30 CHICK FLIX | 25 |
| 26 8 & 10am 9am Adult Ed | 27 Noon AA Bible Study 10a & 6p | 28 Noon AA 6p AA 7p ALANON 8p AA | 29 Noon service 5:30p AA | 30 Noon AA 4:30 Prayer 6p GA | | |

CONTACTS

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 Prayer Chain: Marge Thompson 386-2575
 Office: Sue Jenkins 386-2077

MINISTERS OF WORSHIP

For September 2010

| | September 5 | September 12 | September 19 | September 26 |
|-------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Chalice | Nick Kirby | Kevin Liddiard | Vicki Kelsey | Russ Lamson |
| Reader | Dale Peck | Chris Samuels | Dave Anderson | Julie Davis |
| Prayers | Laura Mann | Sarah Samuels | Sophie Whitehead | Karen Myers |
| Acolyte | Elle Webb | Aidan Liddiard | Gabriella Whitehead | Declan Liddiard |
| Ushers | Sue Jenkins Sophie W | Rosemonts | Andersons | Jeanie Senior Lori Hourston |
| Flowers | Cargills | Anyone? | Rosemonts | Jeanie Senior |
| Coffee Hr | Ruth Tsu | Anyone? | Anyone? | Anyone? |
| Altar guild | Barb & Marge | Gloria & Ann | Sue | Lois & Bev |
| Bulletin | Sue | Gloria | Sue | Sue |

It is your responsibility to arrange for a substitute and notify the office so the bulletin can be changed—by Friday if possible. .READERS: The lessons can be found online at <http://www.io.com/~kellywp/> Scroll down to the desired Sunday and choose RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

LEM/Chalice Bearers

Roy Cederstam
Vicki Kelsey
Kevin Liddiard
Russ Lamson
Nick Kirby

Readers

Laura Mann
Karen Myers
Chris Samuels
Dave Anderson
Gloria Arnold
Dale Peck
Sue Jenkins
Jeanie Senior
Sarah Samuels
Julie Davis
Sophie (Prayers only)
Jean Wells (Prayers)
Beth Hartwell (prayers)
Pamela Krause (Prayers only)

Ushers

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| Andersons | Nick Kirby | |
| L. Cramblett | L Mann | |
| S. Whitehead | K. Myers | |
| L. Butler | B. Thomson | |
| S. Jenkins | Liddiards | |
| R. Tsu | Rouses | |
| Langes | J. Senior | P. Krause |
| Arnolds | Rosemonts | |

Acolytes

Gabriella Whitehead
Elle Webb
Aidan Liddiard
Declan Liddiard

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for phone #s and email addresses.



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UTO—EVERY DAY

Remember—if you have a blessing in your day, say a prayer of thanks and place a coin in your blue box.