



Mission: *Worship God, grow in Christ, and share the Gifts God has given us with the World.*

Garden News and Important Dates

Spring is here and we are ready to get started out at the garden. All the gardeners had last year are returning. They are eager to get their hands into the soil.

There are two dates to note on your calendar.

On March 26th, Saturday, between 10 am and 2 pm – we are having a workday at the garden. Our main goal is getting clover planted between the beds.

Food Share suggested this option as it is eco-friendly, lasts longer than bark, and it attracts pollinators. It is also easier on the gardeners' knees.

We could also use a Weed Wacker for cutting the grass around the fence line. Garden shears could also be used for this project.

Everyone is welcome to come out and play in the garden together.

We will provide water and snacks, or you could bring your own.

April 9th is the second date to remember. We will be dedicating the bench in Cindy's honor at the garden. Please mark this date on your calendar and join us in honoring a dear friend gone and missed. The dedication will start at 3p.m.

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and there will be canopies for cover if the weather is bad.

We hope to see you all at the garden.

Harriet Neely

Garden Committee Chair

A Reminder from the Faithful Counters

When you write a check to Prince of Peace you need to write the check out to Prince of Peace Episcopal Church. The bank does not accept a shortened version. If the check is for anything other than your normal giving, please write on the memo line the intended use. Example: ERD for Ukraine or Easter Flowers.

Volunteer Coordinators Named

Nancy Mortenson and Katrine Smith have been appointed as the volunteer coordinators as we adjust to sharing office duties. They are working on schedules and tasks. Contact them if you have time to volunteer and share with them what skills you have.

Volunteer Needed as Prayer List Host

As you know, Charlene McCreight has transferred to St Barnabas in McMinnville. She lives there and it is easier for her. She is willing to continue hosting the prayer list until we get someone to host. It requires being receptive to a phone call or email for prayer requests and then sending out the request and the list to those on the prayer chain. Please let **Katrine Smith (503-363-3458) or Nancy Mortenson (503-569-9039)** know if you are willing to do this important service.

Char was recently in the hospital again but is home recovering now.

Rummage, Did you Say Rummage Sale?

Mary Knutsen has scheduled the rummage sale for May 13 and 14. She will have sign-ups and flyers later in the spring, but a heads up to put it on your calendar. As usual, Stephanie Schmidt will be the hand-on coordinator Start looking over all those items you once adored but can live without now.

Communications Committee Chair Appointed

Ann McBride has agreed to chair the Communications Committee. Her appointment was confirmed by the BAC at the March meeting. She uses Facebook to reach out to folks about our events.

Lenten Outreach Project ERD for Ukraine and Loose Change for Outreach

At the March BAC meeting it was decided to use boxes to collect money for Episcopal Relief and Development for their efforts in aiding those fleeing Ukraine or in Ukraine. Boxes will be available at the church. We will collect them at the end of Lent and send a check to ERD.

We also decided to return to the practice of loose change in the plate on the 1st Sunday of the month to deposit to our outreach account.

Easter Flowers in Memory and Thanksgiving

If you wish to remember someone who is/was important to you with a thanksgiving or a memorial for Easter Sunday you can fill out the attached form and return it to the church or mail to Prince of Peace, PO Box 5757, Salem Or 97304. If you wish to help with the cost, please enclose a check and note it is for the Flower Fund.

Senior Warden has a New Email

To keep church related emails together, I have set up a new email account for myself. So, the new email is swardenpopor@gmail.com. Don't worry if you send something to my personal email. I will forward it. That way I can keep stuff together. Thanks. Marcia

In Search of a New Vicar.....

To keep things moving, Marcia, the Senior Warden contacted Rev. Chris Craun+ who is the Missioner for Thriving Congregations on the staff of Bishop Diana and the Diocese. As we look to the future there is a possibility that we could share a priest with another small congregation in the area.

To discuss this possibility, we will be having an after-service congregation meeting March 27 to brainstorm what we envision might need happen to make this a reality.

Rev. Chris+ will be consulting with other congregations and envisions a facilitated meeting with a small group of people from each congregation that might be interested sometime after Easter.

An Updated Directory Soon

We have found a few errors and there are some needed updates to our directory. Please check your listing in the copies in the narthex and make corrections. It would be good if you initial one copy if your listing is correct. Then we can update and know we have everyone.

Father Steven Ellis + Interim Vicar Hours

Father Steven will be in the office Tuesday from 10 AM-Noon and on Friday, 10 AM-2 PM. His phone is 831-818-3148.

Lenten Series Tuesday at 6 PM

You are still welcome to join the Lenten Soup and Study Tuesday nights at 6 PM. Remember there is a sign up for soup and bread. Attendance by Zoom also available.

Parish Hall Sign Up Necessary

We share the Parish hall with the Lutherans. To schedule it you need to contact Father Steven+ so you are not disappointed.

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 15 at 7 PM we will host the Lutheran congregation in our worship space.

Bishop's Advisory Committee News etc.

If you have an inquiring mind that wants to know, minutes are posted to the Prince of Peace website soon after the BAC approves them the following month.

You are also welcome to visit the BAC either in person or by Zoom. If you wish to have an item added to the agenda contact either Marcia, the Senior Warden or Father Steven+.

Members are Marcia Kelley, Sr. Warden; Bill Dalton; Diana Rainey, Mary Macy, Nick Fortey, Rachel Bertoni, Sue Rembert, & ex officio, the interim vicar. Clerk is Barbara Ross.

Faith Pledge Matching Fund Report

Faith Pledge \$6,070 and match \$5000.

