



# The Dragon Scoop

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**Mission Statement:**  
“Loving God, Loving Our  
Neighbors”

The Episcopal Church Welcomes You



## Welcome, New Members!



On March 17 we officially welcomed new members to our congregation. Rev. Janine (center) presided over the ceremony. Back row: Nik Grimsby, Valarie and Tim Bruffett. Center row: Courtney Greenwalt, holding son Jimmy, next to her husband, Jacob Schlueter. Courtney’s mother, Dessie Greenwalt, is not a member, but was there supporting the family, and is standing next to her granddaughter, Ruby. The other two boys are Owen (left) and Leo. Annalise Clark is front center.

## Rev. Janine's Pastoral Letter

**“I believe in... the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.”**

The final words of our creed,  
The final words of our hope,  
The final words of God ...

Who is our Alpha and our Omega,  
Our beginning and our end.

God, who “knit me together in my mother’s womb;” Psalm 139:13

God, “in whom we live and move and have our being;” Acts 17:28

God, whose gift is “eternal life.” Romans 6:23

I love this world...its colors and grandeur,

Its beauty and surprise,  
Its challenge and wonder,  
Its harsh realities and its tenderness.

But this world that I love, that I gently tend,

Is only the foretaste of God’s gift of life –

Where there are colors – myriads of colors that we have never imagined,

Where the grandeur and raw beauty surpasses believability,

Where life is fully-full, abundant – in challenge and surprise and breath-taking wonder.

We are eternal-people, life abundant-people, this world AND the next-people.

Loving this creation, loving this world, loving these people,

Because we are loved by the God of now and forever.

We are Easter-people, Jesus-people, 3 days dead and we’re alive-people.

Daring to look at the messy broken pieces all around us,

And trust that God **saves...**

God makes **all things good...**

God IS life and love for **all** the world now and forever.

For we believe...oh, yes we do!

We believe in the resurrection of the dead and life everlasting.

AMEN!

~ Rev. Janine





# Episcopal Church Women

## by Betty Jo Hoffman

ECW met in March for a great spaghetti squash luncheon, an informative program by Wildlife Biologist Summer Cross, and a great Thought for the Day from Thelma Sayers.

We got an update on what will be done with Bob Robins's pictures.

We set a new date for the rummage sale since Holy Cross's Easter celebration will be the week we normally have it. It will be the next week. We will do some set up on Sun., May 5, and then complete the rest and sort donations through May 9. We will advertise the sale as follows:

Wed. and Thurs., May 8 and 9—4:00-6:00

Fri., May 10—9:00-4:00

Sat., May 11—9:00-noon.

Summer gave us interesting information about a turtle tunnel that has been built at the Toketee Reservoir so the northwestern pond turtles can go under the highway to get to their nesting area. She filled us in on the plight of the spotted owls trying to survive the barred owls. She also told us about a project she is working on establishing bat housing away from buildings so they have their homes and do not infest human housing. A bat condo is being built by a new hire of the Forest Service near the historic Visitor Center at Diamond Lake. Glide High School students are building bat houses that will be put out at various locations as well. Summer also talked about evaluating the North Umpqua Trail after the big forest fire. She had a lot of information to share.

We will meet again April 18, when our speakers will be Dream Center Directors Jeremy and Hollie Grammon. Please join us.

### Thelma's Thought for the Day

**"Our life is frittered away by details—  
SIMPLIFY, SIMPLIFY, SIMPLIFY."**



## Easter Lilies and Cats

Easter Lily is the common name for *Lilium longiflorum*. This fragrant seasonal plant is extremely poisonous for cats. Eating small amounts of any part of this plant can cause dangerous symptoms and lead to death from kidney failure. Early symptoms include vomiting, which may begin only two hours after a cat eats part of an Easter lily. There is no specific antidote.

To be effective, treatment by a veterinarian must begin no later than eighteen hours after exposure.

Immediate treatment, which can limit the amount of plant material absorbed, is much better.

Cats seem to be the only species that suffers kidney failure after eating Easter lily. This plant is not poisonous to children, though it should be kept out of reach because children can choke on plant pieces.

[www.poison.org/articles/what-you-dont-know-about-the-easter-lily](http://www.poison.org/articles/what-you-dont-know-about-the-easter-lily)

# Parish News

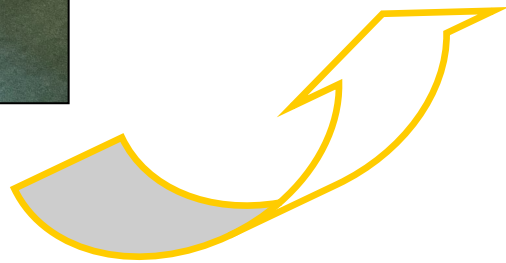


**Birthday Blessings for Doug Holloway (center)**

**David Jackson (right) accepts Birthday Blessings for Juliana Marez**



**Juliana Marez**



What better vehicle for a children's sermon than a puppet? It enticed the most reluctant child!



Judy Grimsby, parishioner Nik Grimsby's Mom, visited St. George's on March 10 and brought her adorable Corgis, Cora (front) and Henry. They were remarkably well behaved.



# Parish News



Feb. 28  
Lenten Soup and Bread / Service  
at St. George's

*Photos by Sue Phelps*



## **Palm Sunday**

Above: gathering in the Parish Hall for the procession into the sanctuary.



# FISH

## FISH Statistics for February

Served 734 families and 1877 individuals.  
Made 32 DoorDash home deliveries.

Homeless outreach: 90 anonymous clients delivered to homeless camps.

**NEXT GREEN BAG PICK-UP:  
SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

## NEWS

Maple Grove Montessori School primary students had a field trip to the Pantry where they heard a presentation on philanthropy and bagged cat/dog food. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

St. George has a benefactor! We are at 239.79% of our monetary donation to the Pantry. That is \$1516.81 over our proposed contribution.

*Thanks to Sue Phelps for the FISH updates!*

# Financial Report

## by Kathy Glockner

### Finances 2023

	January	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Pledges	\$ 7,785	\$ 6,558	\$ 7,785	\$ 6,558
Other Income	4,553	2,683	4,553	2,683
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>12,338</b>	<b>9,241</b>	<b>12,338</b>	<b>9,241</b>
Expenses	7,111	12,088	7,111	12,088
	<u>\$ 5,227</u>	<u>\$ (2,847)</u>	<u>\$ 5,227</u>	<u>\$ (2,847)</u>
	February	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Pledges	\$ 9,565	\$ 6,558	\$ 17,550	\$ 13,116
Other Income	2,848	2,683	7,201	5,367
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>12,413</b>	<b>9,241</b>	<b>24,751</b>	<b>18,483</b>
Expenses	8,043	12,088	15,154	24,227
	<u>\$ 4,370</u>	<u>\$ (2,847)</u>	<u>\$ 9,598</u>	<u>\$ (5,744)</u>

We have started out the year on a good note. We can no longer rely on the substantial yearly gift we have received from a past parishoner so we will have to increase our funds in other ways. We eventually have to increase the time we have Matt and Janine Goodrich, so the amount we pay for clergy will increase. Right now we are only paying them for quarter time. They do so much more than that for us. Our expenses will increase when that happens. Hopefully we can stay in the black. I'll keep you posted.



# The Preacher & The Teacher

## Excerpts from 1959

Oregon celebrated its 100th anniversary of Statehood in 1959, so on February 14 I rang the Church bell 100 times to help celebrate.

That Holy Week, our choir sang the Fauré “Requiem,” a glorious piece of music, well done. Father Blaker preached all seven of the sermons at the Good Friday three-hour service; I conducted the services, but I always felt Easter had more meaning after it. Easter service attendance was 155 at 7:00 A.M., 214 at 9:30 and 185 at 11:00. We had breakfast for the choir after the early service. There were no Lay Readers at this point in history licensed to assist with the Communion, so Fr. Blaker and I did it all.

In September of 1959 the Rev. Albert Sayers arrived from Alaska to become rector of St. Luke’s in Grants Pass, along with his wife, Thelma, and their two sons, Nokie and David. In later years, he was to leave Grants Pass to become curate at St. George’s and to retire in Roseburg, although continuing to serve our mission congregations in Riddle and Sutherlin after his retirement. But in 1959 he began his ministry in southern Oregon and became part of our Southern Deanery clericus.

On October 4, 1959 I married Carolyn Jackson (daughter of Elton and Ruth) to Sam Lee, a very nice wedding.

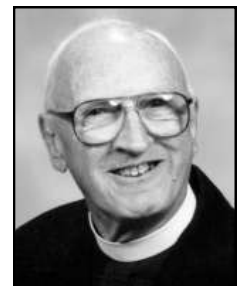
The choir was beginning to “go modern,” and we had the first “folk mass,” one composed by Beaumont.

Our first experience with a “post modern” phenomenon came on Saturday, December 5, 1959. We never locked the doors to the Church, day or night. That morning we discovered that the Church had been vandalized. It turned out that the police caught and arrested three teenage girls leaving the Church early Saturday morning.

They were in a foster home in Winston and had been brought to Roseburg the evening before to attend a movie. But when the movie was over, they failed to report to the location where they were to be met and returned home. Apparently, one of the girls knew the Church was never locked and suggested they spend the night there—which they did. They made dress-up clothes out of the hangings on the altar. (There was light, as there were spotlights at night to illuminate the stained glass windows.) They lighted the candles and had torchlight parades around the Church, dripping wax everywhere, but fortunately not setting anything on fire. All in all, they made a terrible mess.

The foster home had alerted the police that they were missing, and when a patrol car happened by the Church early Saturday and saw three young girls leaving it, they were picked up and their spree came to an end. The judge sentenced them to do helpful work around the Church to make up for the damage they had done, but it took more effort to supervise them than it was worth, and they never were much of a help. After that, the insurance company strongly suggested we lock the Church at night!

Next month the *Dragon Scoop* will feature Fr. Tyson’s account of the Roseburg Blast on August 7, 1959, and St. George’s role in its aftermath.



From *The Preacher & the Teacher: the story of our years at St. George’s as told by Father Alfred S. Tyson*

# Humor

*Kids were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments. The following 25 statements about the Bible were written by children. They have not been retouched or corrected. Incorrect spelling has been left in.*

1. In the first book of the bible, Guinness. god got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.

2. Adam and eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of ark. Noah built and ark and the animals came on in pears.

3. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.

4. The jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.

5. Sampson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

6. Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.

7. Moses led the jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.

8. The egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up to mount cyanide to get the ten commandments.

9. The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

10. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

11. Moses died before he ever reached canada then Joshua led the hebrews in the battle of geritol.

12. The greatest miricle in the bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.

13. David was a hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. He fought the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.

14. Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

15. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the magna carta.

16. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.

17. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

18. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.

19. Jesus enunciated the golden rule, which says to do unto others before they do one to you. He also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.

20. It was a miricle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.

21. The people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.

22. The epistels were the wives of the apostles.

23. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.

24. St. Paul cavorted to christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marraige.

25. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

*Thanks to Margaret Thomas for finding these on Facebook!*



# Stamp Club News

## Umpqua Valley Stamp Club presents the April Stamp of the Month April is National Gardening Month



Scott catalog #1100  
issued on March 15, 1958

1986 President Reagan signed the National Garden Week Proclamation. In 2002, the National Gardening Association extended the celebration to the entire month of April. #1100 was issued in conjunction with a centennial celebration of the birth of noted horticulturalist Liberty Hyde Bailey, who founded the College of Agriculture at Cornell University in 1888.

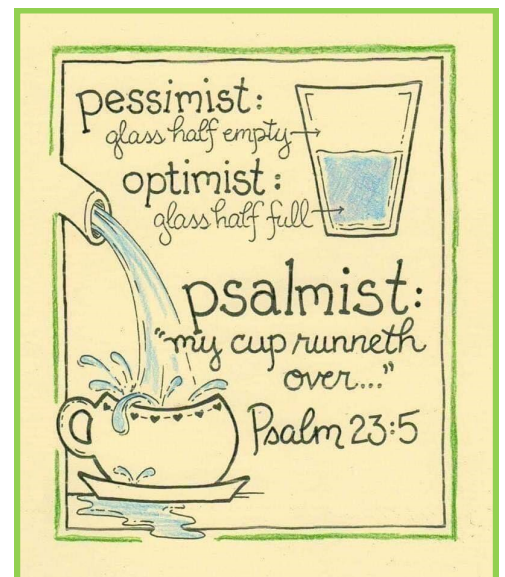
The Umpqua Valley Stamp Club meets monthly every 3rd Monday except June and December.  
Here in the Parish Hall at 7:15. Visitors welcome.

*Poster by Clarence Adams,  
Umpqua Valley Stamp Club*

# Inspiration

Be glad today for the many small graces that line the path of our lives like flowers. Be open to the surprises that may come and alert to the quiet messages whispered on the wind. Be creative in how you shape your life in these few hours for every day is a blank canvas. Be a blessing to others as the night draws near and let your evening prayers keep them safe until you awake again.

~ The Rt. Rev. Steven Charleston





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**OFFICE HOURS**  
**10 am—2 pm**  
**Monday through Friday**

**ST. GEORGE WORSHIP**  
**10:30 am**  
**Sundays**  
**and**  
**10 am**  
**Wednesdays**

