



St. George Episcopal Church

The Dragon Scoop

JULY 2012

Mission Statement:
“Loving God, Loving our Neighbors”

DON'T LEAVE HOME

PLANNED GIVING: Please don't forget to put our church in your will. It is very important to create endowments which in turn produce earnings which can support our ministry literally forever. This can be part of your legacy.

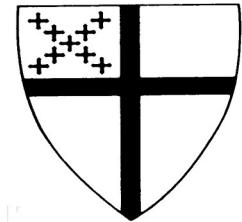
Did you know you can get a really nice tax deduction right now? And your friends in our church can thank you now!

Why not give the money to St. George instead of the IRS?

Did you know you can also leave real property which doesn't go to the church till your heirs are finished using it? You can gift a stock which gives you a tax deduction and no tax on the appreciation? The National church foundation will do the work for you for free.

Frank Graham, Treasurer

**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 WELCOMES YOU**



We have Episcopal Shields available if you would like one for your vehicle.

Saint George on the Web

I was recently asked at the last Vestry meeting what the response to, or number of hits are to our website. Not having really checked on this before I could not give an answer. So, I did some behind the scenes investigating. I have been active in the maintenance of the website since about December of 2009. We seem to average about 70 to 75 hits per month with a high of 97 visits in May of 2011. People from different States of the United States have been looking at our website along with some foreign countries too. The

highest number of USA States to check us out is 16 and that occurred in April of this year. Otherwise, the average State count is 6 to 8 per month. Our host provider also breaks out stats in languages by country (English, French, Russian), type of device used (Desktop, Tablet and Smartphone) and the time of day the website was visited.

If anyone has some new ideas for the creativity of the website, please let me know.

Jim Eddy, Sr. Warden

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RECTOR'S LETTER



When I was a kid, before I played with Barbies I played with trolls. I remember my little fold out troll house, troll dolls, and all of their accessories. I don't recall exactly what I thought about trolls but I probably thought they were cute little creatures. I had a baby troll and the mom and dad trolls. And before it was cool for our kids to dye their hair different colors trolls set the trend with blue, red, yellow, green, purple, and yes even rainbow colored hair.

This week for some inspired reason I've been thinking about the troll under the bridge and the story from Norway which I heard as a child, The Three Billy Goats Gruff. It goes like this.

Once upon a time there were three billy goats, who were to go up to the hillside to make themselves fat, and the name of all three was "Gruff."

On the way up was a bridge over a cascading stream they had to cross; and under the bridge lived a great ugly troll, with eyes as big as saucers, and a nose as long as a poker.

So first of all came the youngest Billy Goat Gruff to cross the bridge.

"Trip, trap, trip, trap! " went the bridge.

"Who's that tripping over my bridge?" roared the troll.

"Oh, it is only I, the tiniest Billy Goat Gruff, and I'm going up to the hillside to make myself fat," said the billy goat, with such a small voice.

"Now, I'm coming to gobble you up," said the troll.

"Oh, no! pray don't take me. I'm too little, that I am," said the billy goat. "Wait a bit till the second Billy Goat Gruff comes. He's much bigger."

"Well, be off with you," said the troll.

A little while after came the second Billy Goat Gruff to cross the bridge.

Trip, trap, trip, trap, trip, trap, went the bridge.

"Who's that tripping over my bridge?" roared the troll.

"Oh, it's the second Billy Goat Gruff, and I'm going up to the hillside to make myself fat," said the billy goat, who hadn't such a small voice.

"Now I'm coming to gobble you up," said the troll.

"Oh, no! Don't take me. Wait a little till the big Billy Goat Gruff comes. He's much bigger."

"Very well! Be off with you," said the troll.

But just then up came the big Billy Goat Gruff.

Trip, trap, trip, trap, trip, trap! went the bridge, for the billy goat was so heavy that the bridge creaked and groaned under him.

"Who's that tramping over my bridge?" roared the troll.

"It's I! The big Billy Goat Gruff," said the billy goat, who had an ugly hoarse voice of his own.

"Now I'm coming to gobble you up," roared the troll.

Well, come along! I've got two spears,
And I'll poke your eyeballs out at your ears; I've
got besides two curling-stones,
And I'll crush you to bits, body and bones

That was what the big billy goat said. And then he flew at the troll, and poked his eyes out with his horns, and crushed him to bits, body and bones, and tossed him out into the cascade, and after that he went up to the hillside. There the billy goats got so fat they were scarcely able to walk home again. And if the fat hasn't fallen off them, why, they're still fat; and so,

Snip, snap, snout.
This tale's told out.



I can hear my mother saying with a bit of inflection, “trip, trap, trip, trap, trip trap, who’s that tramping over my bridge.” An old fairy tale created with some sort of moral to entertain all children alike. But whether we are young or old, trolls are the living things of our imaginations and our imaginations are an extremely creative place to dwell and to play. Our imaginations are God given places that can fill us with the possibilities of both joy and fear.

It is officially summer and perhaps a time when we can be more playful and give our fears a rest. A time to

enjoy the juicy fruits of the vine and tree, to benefit from the luscious fresh vegetables growing in the warm earth of our gardens, and an occasion to attend festivals taking extra pleasure in family and friends. A time to be grateful and a season for taking passage over the bridge to the meadow and getting fat with joy.

The Rev. JoAnne Bennett



This troll under the bridge can be found in the funky Fremont neighborhood of Seattle, Washington. The 18ft tall sculpture has been there since 1990 & was sculpted for the Fremont Arts Council by 4 Seattle area artists. Note the hubcap eye & the VW Beetle he's crushing under his left hand.



SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Why Go To Church?

Sometime back I received this story that someone sent to my email.

"I've gone for 30 years now," he wrote, "and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons. But for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the pastors are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this.

They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

When you are DOWN to nothing..... God is UP to

something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible! Thank God for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!

I think that what we get back is reciprocal to what we put into anything. Whether it is my work, friendship, love, or community, I have found in my own life that I get back what seems to be more than what I put out in my work and giving. We all need to do our share no matter how much we think that we have given in the past. People have commented to me how they did a particular task in the past somewhere else or they are not getting nourishment from church. So, I say to that, we all need to work together for the betterment of our little Church. If you feel that you are not getting the nourishment you currently require at church it may be that you need to take up a spiritual discipline like reading Scripture, reading a book about spirituality, taking time for prayer, and or making an appointment with our priest.

Jim Eddy, Sr. Warden

FINANCE AND BUDGET NOTES

Highlights from the General Fund Income, Expense and budget report:

March Pledges and Offerings Received: \$9,026

Yr. to date: \$20,625

Yr. to date budget: \$24,162

March General Fund Income: \$1,882

Yr. to date: \$8,027

Yr. to date budget: \$8,805

March General Fund Expenses: \$15,964

Yr. to date: \$51,923

Yr. to date budget: \$48,405

The Rector and Vestry want to offer a special Thank You for two anonymous gifts. One for the person who is giving \$2000 to repair the kitchen wall and another to the person who is going to pay a gardener to care for the church grounds. These are really needed and appreciated. For further financial information contact the Treasurer, Frank Graham.

*Thank
you*

JULY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 5 Pentecost 9:00 Morning Prayer Rev. JoAnne	2 Noon- AA On Vacation	3 10:00- Prayer Group Noon- AA	4 Independence Day No Noon Service today Noon- AA OFFICE CLOSED 7:30-8:30 Alanon	5 Noon- AA 5-8 Old Town Mkt	6 Noon-AA 5:30-6:30 P.O.R (AA) 7-8 Live NAJ	7 9:30-1:30 Orthodox Church
8 6 Pentecost 9:00 Holy Eucharist 7-8:30 NA Group	9 Noon- AA	10 10:00- Prayer Group Noon- AA 6 :00 Vestry Meeting	11 Noon- Holy Eucharist Noon- AA 1:00 Worship Meeting	12 Noon -AA 5-8 Old Town Mkt 7-9:30 AA Dist 13	13 Noon- AA 5:30-6:30 P.O.R (AA) 7-8 Live NA	14
15 7 Pentecost 9:00 Holy Eucharist 7-8:30 NA Group	16 Noon- AA 3-4 p.m. Tea with Rev. JoAnne	17 10:00- Prayer Group Noon- AA	18 Noon- Holy Eucharist Noon- AA 4-8:00 Orthodox Church 7:30-8:30 Alanon	19 Noon- AA 5-8 Old Town Mkt	20 Noon- AA 5:30-6:30 P.O.R (AA) 7-8 Live NA	21 9:30-1:30 Orthodox Church
22 8 Pentecost 9:00 Morning Prayer 7-8:30 NA Group Rev. JoAnne	23 Noon- AA Noon to 1:00 Lunch with Juanita on Continuing Education leave	24 10:00-Prayer Group Noon-AA	25 Noon- AA Noon- Holy Eucharist 12:45 Pastoral Care Card Team 4-8:00 Orthodox Church 7:30-8:30 Alanon	26 Noon- AA 5-8 Old Town Mkt	27 Noon-AA 5:30-6:30 P.O.R (AA) 7-8 Live NA	28 6 pm Orthodox Church
29 9 Pentecost 9:00 Morning Prayer 2-5 Betty's Bash Rev. JoAnne	30 Noon- AA On Vacation	31 10:00-Prayer Group Noon-AA				

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Office Hours Back To Normal

We welcome Juanita back from her time away, we sure missed her. Please be aware that she has much work to catch up on and new projects to get going and will need to stay focused on her tasks. Any visiting should be kept to a minimum, or as the saying goes, "take her to lunch," or you could join Juanita for lunch and conversation on Monday July 23rd from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.. During the week I am often busy with projects and deadlines so I want to make some time to hear from you. Please bring your own sack lunch.



Name Tags

Please wear your names tags both during worship and coffee hour. New name tags are coming to those who haven't received one yet. And remember that the beginning of friendship is to know a stranger's name.



Old Town Market

Volunteers are needed for this ministry on Thursday afternoons during the summer to support and revitalize our beautiful downtown area. We have a booth for the second year running to engage with the community selling baked goods, water, arts and crafts. Please speak with Donna Litherland 673-5213, Sally Appell 496-4450, and Jean Bowden 672-5364.

The Rev. Chet Falby's 60th Ordination Anniversary Bash

St. Catherine of Alexandria will be celebrating the Rev. Chet Falby's 60th anniversary as a priest. Please join us in this joyous celebration or send a note to Chet and Deanne via P.O. Box 251 Manzanita, OR 97130. June 24th 9:00—11:00 a.m. 36335 Highway 101 North, Nehalem, OR 503-368-7890
stcatherinemanzanita@gmail.com.

Tea With Rev. JoAnne

Please join me on Monday July 16th from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. for a cup of tea and conversation. Bring whatever is

on your hearts and minds and we will share an hour together. We can talk about church, theology, prayer, movies, books, family, or anything else in God's creation. Rev. JoAnne

Prayer Group

We are beginning a new book study, *Flunking Sainthood: A Year of Breaking the Sabbath, Forgetting to Pray, and Still Loving My Neighbor*. In her wry memoir, Jana Riess shares a year-long quest to become more saintly by tackling twelve spiritual practices, including fasting, fixed-hour prayer, gratitude, Sabbath-keeping, the Jesus Prayer, and generosity. Although she begins with great plans for success, she finds to her growing humiliation that she is failing—not just at some practices, but at every single one. What emerges is a vulnerable story of the quest for perfection and the reality of failure, which turns out to be a valuable spiritual practice in and of itself. Lots of books will teach you how to be a success. Here's one that will show you the advantages of falling short. Please join us we have a few extra copies of the book.

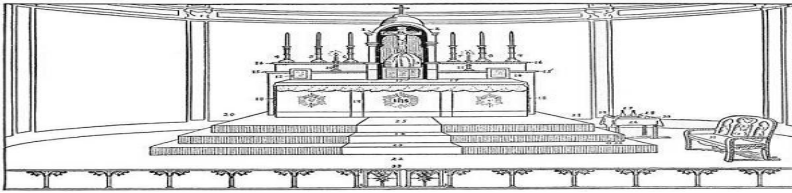
Betty's Bash

This year will be an eventful one for Betty Maule. She has made numerous trips to Washington, started building a new home in Washington, and is busy selling her home here. She has been music director, travel coordinator, organizer, grand children sitter & now she is turning 70.

She wants to have a BIG BASH on her birthday, July 29 at church 2:00-5:00. It will be an ice cream social. Of course there will be singing & memory sharing & pictures. Bring your memories (write them down, starting now, so you won't forget them). If you have any fun pictures, bring them along also. We hope you all will come and make this a great farewell/happy birthday party.

You Are The Reason Spirituality Day Was A Success

There are not enough thank you's to say how much I appreciate everyone who had anything to do with Spirituality Day. The "servers" were a great success! Thanks to all who worked in the kitchen, set up & took down furniture, the "team", all those who filled in when help was needed & to David Jackson for taking tons of pictures. We will be excited to see the results. The worship service Rev. JoAnne chose was appreciated by everyone. If anyone sees or talks to anyone from Holy Spirit, be sure to thank them for all their muffins & cookies. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!! BJ Hoffman



OH, WHEN THE SAINTS?

By: Betty Fretwell

George Fredrick Handel, Composer

George Fredrick Handel was born in Halle, Germany in 1685. He studied law, but at age 17 became the organist at the Reformed Cathedral in Halle. A year later in 1703 he went to Hamburg to study and compose opera. Later, his interest in opera led him to Italy and eventually to England where he became a citizen in 1726. Handel made his living by private patronage and royal appointments. His works consisted of Italian operas, English Oratorios and

Choral works based on religious themes. Messiah, his most popular work is a musical interpretation of texts from Holy Scriptures

Handel died in 1759 and was buried in Poets Corner of Westminster Abbey.

Nominated for inclusion on our Calendar on the same day as Handel are Johann Sebastian Bach, died 1750, and Henry Purcell, died 1695, both giants of the music world.

ROSE SCHOOL

Although summer vacation has only begun for students it is time for us to be thinking of our continued support for Rose School. Thelma Sayers has been in contact with the school to find out their needs for the new 2012-2013 school year. **Clothing needs are:** Boys shoes, size 4 to 6 (2 pair each). Girls shirts sizes 6, 8, 10 and 12. Girls panties sizes 4, 6, 8, and 10. Girls coats sizes 6, 8, 10, and 12. **School Supply needs are:** Crayons, spiral notebooks, markers, 3 ring binders (2 inch size). **Miscellaneous supplies needed are:** Kleenex and girls soft hair brushes. If you are unable to shop for these items please call Thelma Sayers @ 541-672-8858 and she would be glad to do the shopping for you.



For the month of May St. George Church donated:

Food and supplies: 322 pounds

Monetary donations: \$148

Donna Litherland, former Fish board member, worked with me this morning at Albertsons for the food driver. What a wonderful lady she is!!! She was visiting with a man who has the new delivery route in Roseburg for Dave's Killer Bread. He told her that he often had left over bread which he would love to donate to the Pantry. Fortunately, John Sloan was right there, so things were worked out for us to receive extra bread. Donna also was visiting with a lady from a small church that collects food. She told Donna that they have been taking their food to UCAN, but they would rather bring it to us!! So Donna gave the lady all the information about where we were, and she said that from now on, she will be delivering their food to Fish. With all of that she even recruited another volunteer for the Pantry! She was one busy lady!!

Janie Johnson, Fish Board Secretary

L KING AHEAD

Sun	7/1	Morning Prayer 9 am	Mon	7/16	Tea with Rev JoAnne 3-4 pm
Tue	7/3	Prayer Group 10 am	Tue	7/17	Prayer Group 10am
Wed	7/4	No Noon Holy Eucharist Service today	Wed	7/18	Holy Eucharist Noon
Wed	7/4	OFFICE CLOSED Independence Day	Thu	7/19	Old Town Market 5-8 pm
Thu	7/5	Old Town Market 5-8 pm	Sun	7/22	Morning Prayer—8 Pentecost 9 am
Sun	7/8	Holy Eucharist—6 Pentecost 9 am	Mon	7/23	Brown Bag Lunch with Juanita 12-1 pm
Tue	7/10	Prayer Group 10am	Tue	7/24	Prayer Group 10am
Tue	7/10	Vestry meeting 6 pm	Wed	7/25	Holy Eucharist Noon
Wed	7/11	Holy Eucharist Noon	Wed	7/25	Pastoral Care Card Team 12:45 pm
Wed	7/11	Worship meeting 1 pm	Thu	7/26	Old Town Market 5-8 pm
Thu	7/12	Old Town Market 5-8 pm	Sun	7/29	Holy Eucharist—9 Pentecost 9 am
Sun	7/15	Holy Eucharist—7 Pentecost 9 am	Tue	7/30	Prayer Group 10am

*Thank
You*

It takes all of us working together to do God's work in shaping a church community. Each of us is called in a special way to prosper the mission of "Loving God, and loving our neighbors as ourselves." Some of what we do is business like, some is just plain work, and some is the creative and grace filled task of sowing seeds which build a community of love. Each month there are many to thank for this work of the kingdom of God. A big Thank You goes to:

- ◆ Donna Litherland and Sally Appell for hosting the Southern Convocation for its meeting.
- ◆ Jim Eddy for overseeing and making repairs for our recent broken pipes and sprinkler system.
- ◆ Frank Graham for paying the bills in Juanita's absence and assisting in the completion of our annual Parochial Report.
- ◆ Faye Benham and Donna Litherland for taking on our audit for a second year in a row.
- ◆ Luella Cox for our Sunday music in Jeanette's absence.
- ◆ Our Pastoral Care Card Team and their caring messages.
- ◆ Those helping at the Old Town Market and Karen Trone for her very creative porch people.
- ◆ Margaret Thomas for working on a grant application for the FISH Food Pantry from the commission on the poor and the homeless
- ◆ The Episcopal Church Woman paying for the cost of repairs to our kitchen oven.
- ◆ Thelma Sayers for bringing us the ministry to Rose School.
- ◆ Our worship leaders on Sunday's and Wednesday's.
- ◆ BJ Oswald and Jeanie Burpee who often provide fresh flowers from their gardens.
- ◆ Everyone who made Women's Spirituality Day a success, especially BJ Hoffman.
- ◆ Michael Robison and Betty Fretwell who are always in the kitchen first on Sundays, rolling out the coffee and setting up.
- ◆ Jill Garvin for purchasing the organ in the Parish Hall and Doug Holloway for helping her get it home.
- ◆ Those who pray for one another, the peace of the world, and the mission of the church.
- ◆ And always for the many of you who humbly work behind the scenes doing many things we often don't see or hear about.

FEATURED THIS MONTH

NEW TO THE PEW

My name is Nancy Baum. I was born in Vermont, and yes, I am a "cradle Episcopalian". My dad was an Army Colonel during WWII, so in my earliest years my family moved all over the U.S. Following his return from the Pacific Theater it was back to Vermont. After high School graduation I obtained my nursing degree from St. Luke's Hospital in New York City.

The following years brought marriage, three children, several moves, and many different nursing opportunities. I met my second husband Mel while teaching nursing at a vocational High School in New York. He was rapidly losing his hearing and we knew he would have to give up teaching and pursue a different endeavor. A two month cross country trip in 1977 brought us to Oregon. We love it here and immediately moved to Gold Beach a year later. Three of our children stayed at college in the East while our two youngest moved West with us. They both became "Beavers: (sorry Duck fans). Don is the Veterinarian in Bandon and Scott is a Fisheries Biologist with the BLM here in Roseburg.

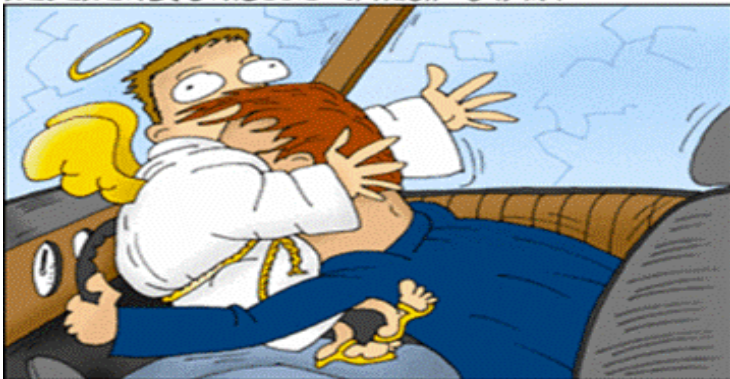
Following our move I kept on nursing while Mel started ranching (sheep and cattle) and developed his own Logging Equipment Repair business. In 2001 he developed cancer and died that November. Now ten years later (and older) I have retired, sold our Gold Beach home, and moved to Roseburg to be closer to family, airports, major medical care, and shopping.

Several times a year I take trips to the East Coast to visit family there. This includes my oldest son Jeff, my daughter Jill, five amazing grand children, and two sisters in New Hampshire.

I hope to continue to be involved with St. George activities, and thanks to all of you for your welcoming smiles and hellos. Please keep wearing those name tags.



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Thanks to Pam Winn (See Matthew 1:6)

03-18-2005

THINGS EASED UP ON GUARDIAN ANGELS AFTER
AIR BAGS WERE INVENTED

July Birthdays

- 2 Noah Wannamaker
- 3 Brandon White
- 3 David Siebel
- 11 Jan May
- 11 Pat McClure
- 13 Helen Lockyer
- 16 Kathy Glockner
- 17 Betty Fretwell
- 29 Betty Maule
- 31 Archie Rutter



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed or if it is incorrect please notify Juanita and she will update her list.



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St. George Episcopal Church publishes THE DRAGON SCOOP monthly. If you would like to offer something for the newsletter please inform the office no later than the 10th of the month. Submit information and articles to stgeorge@rosenet.net or to the parish office by 10 a.m. on the 15th of the month. E-mailed articles are preferred if you have access to a computer.

Rector: The Rev. JoAnne Bennett
Parish Secretary/Administrative Assistant: Juanita
Senior Warden: Jim Eddy
Junior Warden: Donna Litherland
Treasurer: Frank Graham

OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Friday
9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Closed for Lunch
(Time approx. 12-1)

ST. GEORGE SERVICES

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Wednesday
12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Administrative Day on Thursdays

Every Thursday will be Administrative Day. What this means: I will check messages several times that day. I will only return emergency messages. The office will be closed to daily business. This allows me to stay on top of important projects with minimal disruption. If it is **not** an emergency then please take care of it on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday. Thank you for your understanding.

INDEPENDENCE DAY WORD SEARCH

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CONNECTICUT
DELEWARE
ENGLAND
FIREWORKS
FLAG
FREEDOM
GEORGIA
IN GOD WE TRUST

JULY
KING
LIBERTY
MARYLAND
MASSACHUSETTS-BAY
NEW HAMPSHIRE
NEW JERSEY
NEW YORK
NORTH CAROLINA

PARADE
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