

THE EPISTLE

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, WALNUT CREEK | SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021



A Message From The Reverend Krista Fregoso

We plan. God laughs.

That should be the motto of this past year. Because just as it seemed the clouds of pandemic life were beginning to lift... *whammo!* Along came the Delta variant, which quickly reminded us that one of the only constants in life is change.

I was hoping to write an article about welcoming everyone back home. (If you listen carefully you can hear the distant sounds of laughter ringing from the horizon.)

I don't know about you, but I'm tired of being flexible. These days it's as if any change or shake up in even the smallest of plans makes me want to have a tantrum in the style of a red-faced three-year old, complete with stomping, screaming, and rolling on the ground. So how much flexibility are you willing to continue to withstand?

As a community that lives in earthquake country, we know that even the smallest of shakeups can wreak havoc. This is why we have engineered ways to safeguard our buildings, tall and small. Some buildings are built on flexible foundations, others use materials that can sway and bend, and some use cross supports to help with movement.

One of the main things I've learned during this past year of shakeups, transitions, and change is that it is critical to connect to a foundation of faith that is flexible but solid, challenging but supportive, and filled with a community that stands in solidarity with you no matter what the magnitude.

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Getting to Know Rev. Lynne

We've all heard the saying, "Good things come to those who wait," and truer words were never said. After a long and seemingly endless search, St. Paul's is rolling out the red carpet for our new associate rector, **The Rev. Lynne Sharp, TSSF** (Third Order, Society of St. Francis). She joins our St. Paul's community on September 1.

A native of Rochester, NY, Rev. Lynne comes to St. Paul's with a background in chemical dependency counseling, which she has always felt was spiritual work. "It was two of my peers who pointed out to me that I went to daily Evening Prayer at my Parish and years later initiated daily Morning Prayer at the same Parish," she recalls. "They asked if I might possibly be called to ordination and, like so many others, I denied the Call."

But she was working with a Spiritual Director and discussed the possibility. Fast forward, she became an Episcopal Franciscan Sister in San Francisco in 2002, graduated from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in 2008, and in the same year was ordained by The **Rt. Rev. Marc Andrus**. Rev. Lynne served as an Associate at St. Aidan's, San Francisco, Grace Cathedral, and St. Paul's in Burlingame before returning to her home state to serve as Rector at St. James in Hammondsport, NY for seven years.

On the home front, Rev. Lynne says her two daughters and four grandchildren "...are no doubt my first and brightest highlights. Trinity (Ben), Ben, Stella, Zoey, and Alexandra live in Rochester, NY with puppy Cosmo, and cats Albus, Minerva, and Zelda. Arwen (Brian) lives in Batavia, NY with cats Pepper and Saffron."

Second on her list of highlights is her first, and only, century on a bike, and first-walked marathon.

"A few years ago, I took a sabbatical and tent camped around the U.S., taking the northern route west, down the state of California and then returned by the southern route," she recalls. "Lessons learned, do not travel the northern route at the end of June as there is flooding, and at Crater Lake there's a foot of snow in the campground. Second lesson, don't travel the southern route in mid-August, as the temps at night stayed in the 90s!"



Rev. Lynne has also trekked the length of the Thames in London: Hampton Court to Albert Bridge, the northern coast of Ireland, the Ingles route in Spain, a shorter jaunt in Italy, then from Vienna to Prague. Whew! Traveling cross-country from New York to California will be a stroll in the park for this intrepid traveler.

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Getting to Know Rev. Lynne

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A professional achievement Rev. Lynne shares is the creation of a 29-apartment residential treatment program for women with children. "It includes childcare, outpatient treatment, with medical and mental health consultants," she says, "and is a much-needed facility."

When she isn't hiking, biking, building, or preaching, Rev. Lynne relaxes with hobbies such as knitting, reading a mix of spiritual and light mystery books, and watching medical shows such as *Grey's Anatomy* and oldies like *ER* and *Marcus Welby*. "One summer I went to about 20 homemade ice cream shops and tried a new-to-me flavor at each one," she recalls. "I discovered that flavors such as Teaberry or Fruit Loop are not favorites." The most unique tasting, she recalls, was a visit to the Llama Ice Cream shop that carried Peruvian flavors.

Now, as Rev. Lynne treks cross-country to join St. Paul's, she's most excited about meeting new people and doing what she loves most.

"I love to preach, teach, and visit with all ages in all places: church, home, coffee shops, on walks, or wherever you find yourself. It will be wonderful to reconnect with friends and favorite places and equally wonderful to do the work I feel called to do," she says. "It is an honor to join you in the ministries you already have, and at the same time join you in envisioning and living into the future."

And the feeling is mutual. Welcome home, Rev. Lynne!

A Message From The Rev. Krista Fregoso

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I believe that St. Paul's is called to be that community, leaning and swaying in our firm faith in God, flexible but solid, challenging but supportive. St. Paul's is undergoing some big transitions, welcoming not one but two new people on our small but mighty staff. **The Rev. Lynne Sharpe** is driving across the country as I write this letter, and we are midway through our search for a new music director and hope to welcome this person very soon.

I view these transitions as adding support structures in our community. Each transition adds to the flexibility of our church and helps us continue to refocus us on how God is asking us to live out our faith in these challenging times.

One of the main things I've learned from this past year of shakeups, transitions, and change is that it is critical to connect to a foundation of faith that is flexible but solid, challenging but supportive.

As always, St. Paul's, thank you for your enduring support.

The Meaning of Inclusivity

By MANNY TRILLO



Every May, our nation commemorates the heritage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) in the U.S. We celebrate the vibrant and diverse AAPI community and the many differences in culture, language, and experiences of people from the Asian continent and Pacific Islands. We recognize AAPI contributions in labor, science, technology, and other areas, but we also acknowledge the challenges faced by Asians over the years from prejudice and mistreatment.

This recognition is particularly poignant here and now, as the COVID pandemic has amplified long-standing racism. Over the past year, over 4,000 anti-Asian hate cases have been reported throughout the U.S. As a first-generation Filipino

immigrant and father to two multi-racial daughters, I feel both fear and rage at these attacks, and want to offer some perspective.

The America I encountered in Hollywood, California when my family moved there in 1972 was a wonderfully diverse community of many cultures and ethnicities. I had Asian, African-American, LatinX, Armenian, and Caucasian friends. Sports, mainly basketball, was our common passion and through that, we developed strong bonds despite having different faiths, languages, and customs. Because we were all different, none of us felt different and nobody was “othered.” Those years in my early teens showed me what real inclusivity felt like. It ingrained in me the belief that we are all equal and deserve the same rights, treatment, and justice afforded to those with more privilege.

We have a sense of belonging, not just because of the warmth and kindness of the people of our church, but also because we are witness to, and sometimes participants, in St. Paul’s ministries that serve others.

At St. Paul’s, my family and I feel welcomed and accepted. We have a sense of belonging not just because of the warmth and kindness of the people of our church, but also because we are witness to and sometimes participants in St. Paul’s ministries that serve others. Feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, and collaborating with interfaith groups all contribute to the church’s legacy of inclusion and spreads God’s love for all human beings. It reminds me of my early years in Hollywood, where nobody felt different and members of all races and economic backgrounds felt accepted through our shared humanity.

I’m grateful for all of St. Paul’s ministries and for our deep-rooted values of inclusion and equality.

A Letter From Rev. Laurie

August 4, 2021

Dear Folks of St. Paul's,

Thank you for that most wonderful send-off from St. Paul's last Sunday [August 1]. You outdid yourselves! The picture of the chapel has been installed on the wall of my condo, the wall that hosts all sorts of collected crosses, and also my collection of prints of churches I have known. I found the perfect place on the wall. The spot was just waiting for it.



The leather satchel of travel goodies have been sorted and boxed for setting in my car for the big moment of when I take off on my big adventure around the USA starting March 1. The enveloped gift: most gracious of you. A special thank you. That too will go toward my March-June trip in 2022.

And all the sweet and loving good-byes from folks in person at the 8:30 service and coffee hour, and from the folks online at the 11:00 service.

For the hand and clap and finger dance of light: who could leave without that magic?!

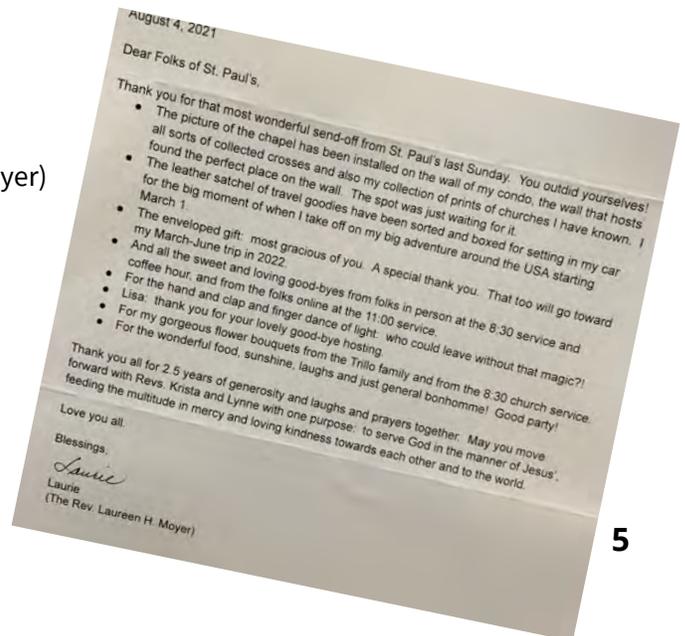
Lisa: thank you for your lovely good-bye hosting.

For my gorgeous flower bouquets from the Trillo family and from the 8:30 church service.
For the wonderful food, sunshine, laughs and just general bonhomme! Good party!

Thank you all for 2.5 years of generosity and laughs and prayers together. May you move forward with Revs. Krista and Lynne with one purpose: to serve God in the manner of Jesus, feeding the multitude in mercy and loving kindness towards each other and to the world.



Love you all.
Blessings,
Laurie
(The Rev. Lauren H. Moyer)



Church Life

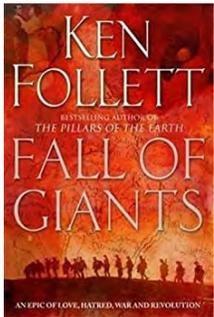
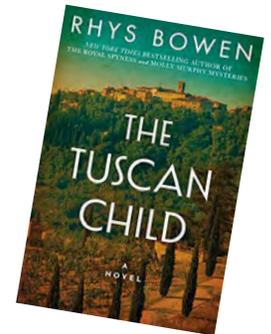
The Epistle Team is always looking for a good book to read, and so we asked...

What's on Your Nightstand?



Kay Ellis

The Tuscan Child is a novel by the British author Rhys Bowen. Joanne embarks on a healing journey to Tuscany to discover her father's history and to understand herself as well. Some, however, would prefer the past of 1944 be left undisturbed, but she has come too far to let go of her father's secret. Who or what is the Tuscan child? It takes an earthquake to find out.



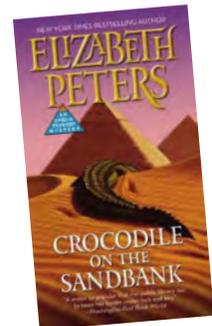
Marie Nemeth

I love lengthy and historical books and Ken Follett's Book One of his Century Trilogy, *Fall of Giants*, was perfect. The struggles of five interrelated families (American, English, Welsh, German, and Russian) play a part in the drama of the 1st WW, the Russian Revolution, and the struggle for women's suffrage. The trilogy continues with *Winter of the World* with the rise of the Third Reich through the Spanish Civil War, and *The Edge of Eternity* into the end of the 20th century. Lengthy, but well worth reading.



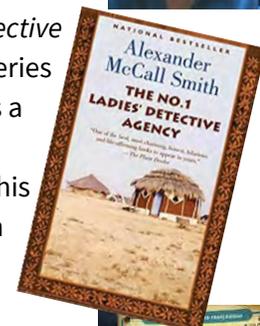
Susan Penn

Looking for comfort reading during COVID, I decided to reread the *Amelia Peabody* mysteries by Elizabeth Peters. The series is set in Egypt and England from 1884 to 1923. In the first, *Crocodile on the Sandbank*, Amelia meets the archaeologist, Radcliffe Emerson, and discovers a passion for tombs and pyramids, as well as for the irascible Emerson. Over the course of 20 volumes, they, and their children and grandchildren, deal with murderers, tomb robbers, and other criminals, as well as spies and enemy agents, while carrying on digs in Luxor and Amarna. Elizabeth Peters (a.k.a. Barbara Mertz) books are suspenseful, humorous, and rich in description of place, but their main appeal is that they present a strong female character overcoming difficulties with confidence, wit, and courage.



Sue Phalen

If you're looking for a good read, I suggest you try *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. This is the first book in a 22-book series by Smith. Follow Mma Ramotswe as she starts her new business. She is a moral, intelligent, independent, content, kind woman who uses her knowledge of people and the culture of Botswana to solve her cases. This is not a book just for women. I know men who have enjoyed it as much as I have.



Mark Sturgess

Farmers' Almanac 1984 or *Guinness Book of World Records 1993*. Or possibly *Philatelic Services Catalogue* (stamp collecting) August 1997. Okay, so the second one might not be SO dusty, as the 1997 overlay is a larger format.





Community Life

Helping Hands, Lifting Lives

By LESLIE GLEASON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
TRINITY CENTER

We are so grateful that, thanks to our partnership with St. Paul’s and this beautiful new home we enjoy, Trinity Center has supported nearly 1,000 people this past year, providing safety, services, community connections, and support to our vulnerable neighbors who have faced an unprecedented year. Trinity Center has been able to celebrate many successes over the past year, including being named 2020 California Non-Profit of the Year by **State Senator Steve Glazer**. In March 2021, we celebrated the opening of **Loaves and Fishes**, Contra Costa’s newest public dining room at Trinity Center, to ensure that all persons in Walnut Creek have access to a hot, healthy lunch during the week.

Trinity Center remained open and fully operational during the entire 2020-2021 program year. We were able to meet the basic needs of persons experiencing homelessness or living in poverty for meals, restrooms, safety, showers, laundry, communication tools, mail access, reliable public health information, connection to local resources, behavioral health support, and case management. This year we also assisted members in completing the 2020 Census, registering to vote, and getting life-saving flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.

Young adults, vulnerable to exploitation, health risks, and lacking a safe, reliable place to eat and sleep are our community’s “hidden homeless,” still trying to go unseen while working, attending school, and even raising children of their own. We are proud to share that our Young Adult Program, launched last fall, has begun and is going strong—working with over 80 young people to provide personalized support, guidance, and hope as they work toward their goals.

In our tradition of “turning lemons into lemonade,” we have capitalized on the shift to online meetings by arranging virtual consultations with health clinicians, staff training, and workshops for members on Creative Writing, Automotive Maintenance, and Personal Finance. The same large-screen monitor in the Day Room used for these workshops has also been used for showing movies and comedy shows to offer some light recreation and build community—it’s good to hear people laugh again (even through masks)!

We look forward to more opportunities to gather and laugh with all of you, but until then, we offer thanksgiving every day for your faithful support of our mission.



St. Paul's Online Book Groups

Looking for good books and engaging conversations?
Join our monthly afternoon and evening book groups via Zoom!



Afternoon Group, Thursdays @ 1:30 pm
September 9: *Ella Minnow Pea* by Mark Dunn
October 14: *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee

Evening Group, Thursdays @ 7:00 pm
September 9: *Lost Roses* by Martha Hall Kelly
October 14: *TBA*

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Wonder what your Vestry is up to? Here's a snapshot of just a few of the many projects we've been working on.

Vestry Highlights

by JESSICA BEERBAUM

Meeting: July 19, 2021

The Real Estate Committee reported that the common area maintenance fee structure (CAMS) has been finalized and billed. These fees are for shared property expenses with Trinity Center.

Tenants in the house owned by St. Paul's are leaving in advance of the end of their lease. Therefore, **The Associate Rector Lynne Sharp** will be able to move in at the beginning of her contract.

Work is continuing with **thispace**, an online facilities-use site. Soon, St. Paul's will schedule and coordinate all facilities use with this online app, including scheduling facility sharing with outside groups. Shared space is part of our Outreach Ministry.

Vestry Members

Lisa Bell Stewart , Senior Warden
Susan Burpee, Junior Warden
Jessica Beerbaum, Tom Chaffee,
Melanie Corry, Marianne Johnson,
Ned Soares, Jim Ward, Jerry Williams
and Mary-Jane Wood.
Jennifer Machado, CFO
Ronnie Marty, Clerk

The Community Life Group reported on numerous celebrations:

- Retirement celebration for Music Director **Dr. Larry Crummer** on July 18.
- The joint retirement celebration for **The Rev. Margaretmary Staller, Deacon**, and **The Rev. Laurie Moyer, Associate Rector** on August 1.
- A Welcome Back celebration is planned for September 12. Food and fun activities are in the works. The Vestry passed a motion to fund this celebration.

The Worship Committee organized Listening Circles during Coffee Hour on Sunday, July 25. The event provides an opportunity for parishioners to share their thoughts and visions about worship services as we continue to gather post-COVID.

In addition...

Rev. Krista reported that there has been a steady increase in in-person church attendance. We are working to streamline liturgy participant responsibilities, allowing for creative use of our worship service volunteers.

Our CFO, **Jennifer Machado**, has been volunteering her professional services for seven years. She will step down from this position at the end of the year.

The next Stewardship Campaign was discussed. The Vestry is articulating the vision, goals, and theme for this year's effort and we are looking for parishioners to work with us.

Vestry Highlights

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Meeting: August 16, 2021

- **Deborah Webster** and **Laura Williams** reported progress on the Audio Visual Equipment Project. The possible scope of this project could include remote projection as well as remote participation. Three expert companies will be looking at the project on Wednesday, August 18, and preparing initial design plans. Demand is currently high for these systems and the industry is affected by microchip shortages. Our patience is needed as we anticipate these very exciting improvements to our program capabilities. In the meantime, further investigations are underway to explore ways to have hybrid worship services.
- Social gatherings, such as Coffee Hour and the planned Welcome Back Celebration in September, are again presenting contagion threats as the COVID Delta variant caseload surges. The Vestry voted to postpone the Celebration and suspend Coffee Hour until there is less threat of illness.
- St. Paul's has complex business demands due to our role with various tenants. This situation calls for specialized management skills beyond the scope of what is appropriate for volunteering members. As we consider our upcoming 2022 budget, the Vestry needs to consider incorporating these skills into our paid management team.
- There are four candidates for the Music Director position. They will be interviewed by the team that interviewed the Associate Rector candidates. Some candidates will then interview with the choir before an offer is made.
- Our seminarian **Jen Crompton** is advancing in her path to ordination. The Vestry, with great joy, sponsored her candidacy for ordination.
- **Rev. Krista** announced that she will be using her accrued vacation time during the month of October. The Vestry unanimously voted to support this decision for her renewal.
- The Vestry approved a lease with **Noble Learning Academy**. This non-profit middle school will use various parts of our campus during the week, with exclusive use of the Family Ministry Center. The lease is for one year, with an option for a second-year expansion. The rental income replaces the lost income from Open Door and Sts. Peter and Paul and is vital to support the Associate Rector position.



St. Paul's members are invited to attend Vestry meetings, which are held the third Monday of every month at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Minutes are archived on our website at stpaulswc.org/vestry-meeting-and-minutes.

Church Life



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 3

Join us as we commemorate St. Francis, the Patron Saint of Animals, and honor our beloved pets and animal friends.

Animal costumes are encouraged for both little humans and their pets. And pssst... rumor has it there may be dog and kitty treats courtesy of our friends at 

For time and location, visit stpaulswc.org and click on "News & Events"



Welcome, Noble Learning Academy

We could not be more excited to be a part of St. Paul's campus. Thank you for welcoming us to your community!

~Cassie Hull, Director and Teacher, Noble Learning Academy

We are pleased to announce our collaboration with Noble Learning Academy (NLA), a service-oriented local nonprofit that will be a part of our campus over the next year. This enriching new partnership reinforces St. Paul's guiding principle as the light and love of Walnut Creek and supporter and friend to our nonprofit community. With the arrival of NLA students, our campus will enjoy an infusion of youthful energy guided by a school philosophy and spirit that aligns closely with ours.



Please join us in welcoming the 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade students of Noble Learning Academy!

St. Paul's Presents its Fall Online Concert Season

Saturdays | 7:00 pm



November 13
Peter Myers, Cello and
Heeguan Song, Violin



October 16
John Renke, Organ



December 4
Anna Maria Mendieta,
Harp





What's Cookin'?



This is a family favorite recipe for fall, and we hope that you enjoy it as well.

Apple-Cranberry Streusel Pie

By MARY WADDINGTON



FOR THE CRUST

- 1 cup all-purpose flour, plus additional for dusting
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 10 tablespoons (1 stick plus 2 tablespoons) cold unsalted butter cut into small bits
- 1½ tablespoons solid vegetable shortening
- At least 3 tablespoons very cold water
- ½ teaspoon apple cider vinegar

FOR THE STREUSEL

- 1 stick unsalted butter, cut into small bits
- ½ cup all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup packed dark brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons white granulated sugar
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon salt

FOR THE FILLING

- 5 cups medium-tart baking apples, sliced, peeled, and cored
- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries (do not thaw)
- 2/3 cup white granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons instant tapioca
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

To Make the Crust

- Mix the flour and salt in a small bowl, then cut in the butter and shortening with a pastry cutter or a fork until the mixture resembles coarse cornmeal.
- Stir 3 tablespoons of cold water and the vinegar in a small bowl or cup.
- Add to the flour mixture, and stir with a fork until a soft, pliable, smooth dough forms, adding more cold water in ½-tablespoon increments as needed.
- Gather the dough into a ball and roll it out into an 11-inch circle.
- Set the crust into a 9-inch pie plate.

Filling

Mix the apples, cranberries, white granulated sugar, tapioca, and flour in a large bowl. Set aside for 10 minutes while making the streusel.

Streusel

Process together the butter, flour, brown sugar, granulated sugar, cinnamon, and salt until crumbly, like coarsely ground cracker crumbs.

Combine

Pour and scrape every drop of the filling into the prepared crust. Sprinkle the streusel evenly over the filling.

Preheat oven to 375° | Place oven rack in center

- Bake for 20 minutes.
- Reduce the oven temperature to 350°F, and continue baking until the streusel is lightly browned and the filling is bubbling underneath, about 40 minutes more.
- Cool the pie on a wire rack for at least one hour before slicing into wedges.
- Store tightly covered with plastic wrap on the countertop for up to two days (if you can hold yourself back for so long!)

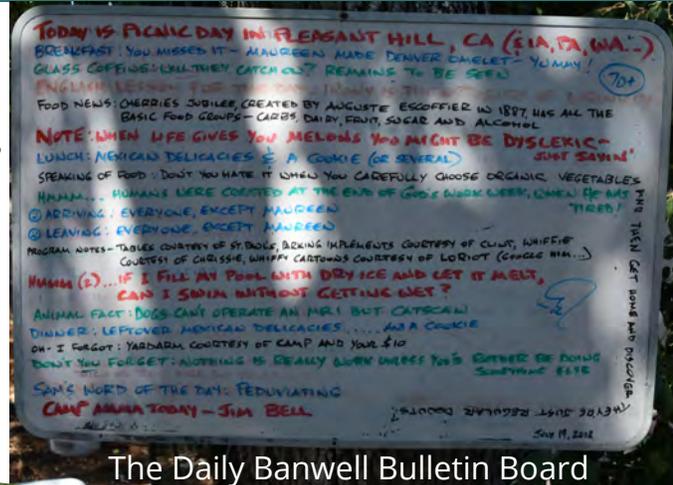


Family Camp Reunion Picnic



On July 24, almost 80 happy campers enjoyed a joyous **Family Camp Reunion** picnic, reminescent of good times at Eel River.

The catered event was held in the spacious backyard of **Maureen Horton**.



The Daily Banwell Bulletin Board



We didn't realize we were making memories. We just knew we were having fun.
 ~Unknown



St. Paul's Episcopal Church Bylaws

Regarding Nominations for Vestry

4.2 ...Parish members wishing to serve as candidates [for Vestry] may submit their names to the [Nominating] Committee before October 15 and if they are eligible under Section 4.3 of these Bylaws, their names will be included on the slate. Members of the congregation may submit names to the committee sixty days before the parish meeting date as well, and with those persons' agreements and their eligibility under Section 4.3, their names will also appear on the slate. The slate shall be published to the parish at least forty-five days before the annual parish meeting...

4.3 Eligibility of Nominees. All nominees for election as vestry members or delegates/alternates to the Diocesan Convention shall be communicants in good standing registered in the parish for at least one year, age eighteen or over, and regular contributors to the support of the parish as confirmed by the pledge treasurer. A retiring or resigning vestry member may not again serve on the Vestry until one year has elapsed, except that a member completing less than two years of service may be elected for a full term. Incumbent delegates/alternates to Diocesan Convention may again be nominated and elected as delegates/alternates on expiration of their terms.

Meet Our Vestry Pods

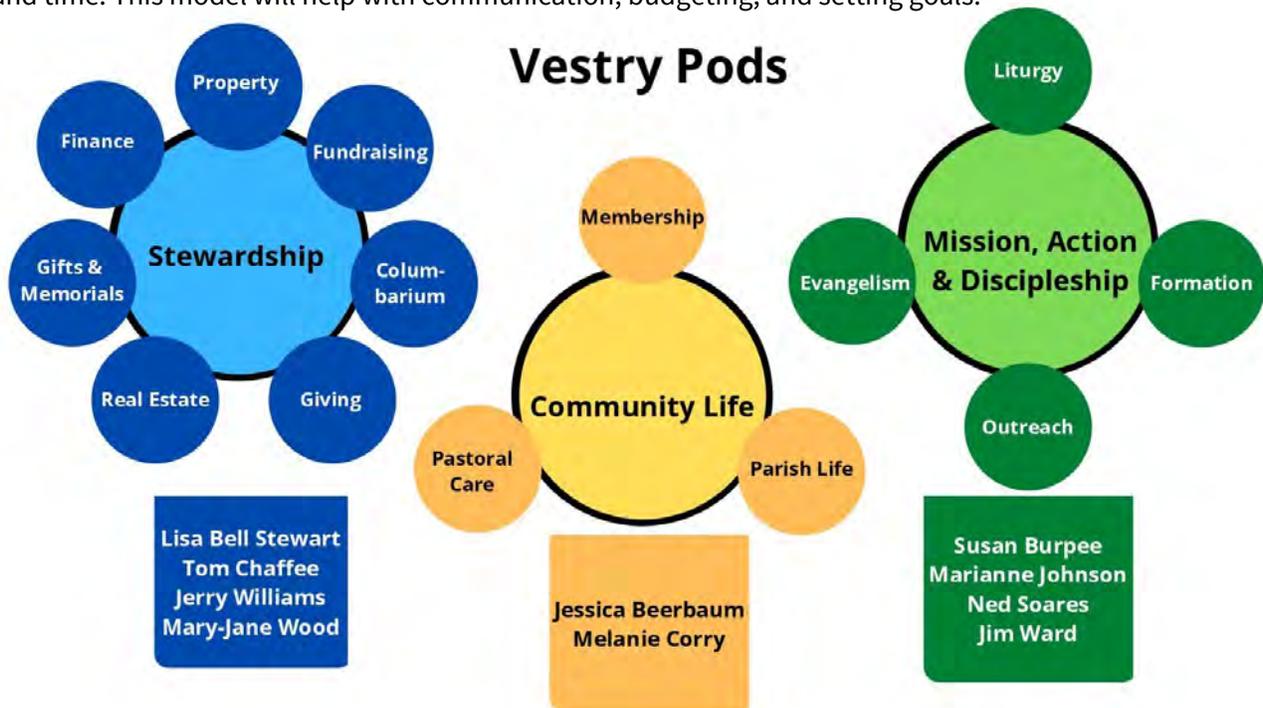
By SUSAN BURPEE, JUNIOR WARDEN

By now you might have heard the new buzz word this year from the Vestry: *Pods*. This new Vestry structure, in the form of "Pods," will help St. Paul's optimize the management of our church community and help us achieve our goals of supporting our loving community with each other and our world.

A Little Background

In January, the Vestry decided to use a new system where we divided ourselves into groups that would support several ministries placed within each Pod. We divided the ministries into three groups: Stewardship, Community Life, and Mission, Action & Discipleship.

The next step was for each Pod to identify and write a charter for all the ministries in their Pod. This was quite an endeavor, considering how much good work and loving kindness happens under the name of St. Paul's. Once we compiled our very long list, we edited it to post-COVID reality and made an organizational chart that would help show us where we want our priorities to be in terms of both money and time. This model will help with communication, budgeting, and setting goals.



Each Pod acts as a conduit between our community and the Vestry at large. The categorization of like-ministries into each Pod helps Vestry members not only approach the management on a team basis but also helps us see the crossover of our ministries and provides a better look at the big picture of the amazing work we do.

We're hoping this new way of looking at ourselves keeps us moving forward to better serve our parishioners and the greater community.

Inspiration

On Sunday, July 18, 2021 St. Paul's celebrated the music ministry of **Dr. Larry Crummer**, wishing him a joyous and adventuresome retirement. Among the highlights of the event was A Song for Larry, written and sung by **Pete Banwell**. Sung to the tune Carolina in the Morning, the lyrics highlight Larry's career in church music and fond memories of the St. Paul's Choir.

A Song for Larry

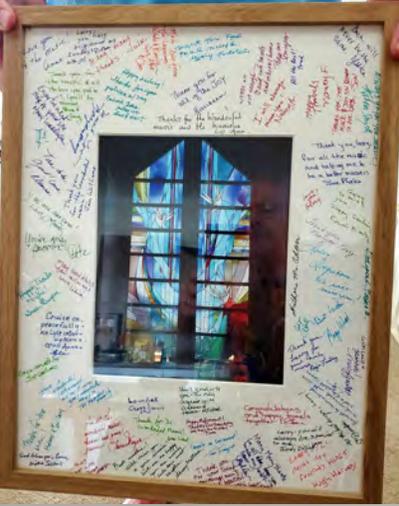
By PETE BANWELL

Larry's been our leader and arranger and composer for an e-on
Here's a song I wrote for him, it may not be so good but it's a free one
Nonetheless, we know that it his favorite will be
Be-cause he likes them all equally
What he's playing he likes best, still he fancies all the rest: he's Lar-ry!

From the Brethren, Larry learned the ancient hymns and scriptures and the ri-tual
Then he got a PhD so he could play the organ live...or virtual
With Bill to run the camera, he's a force to behold
He's been playing music since he weren't very old.
(Spoken: He's so old, he and Jesus went to high school together!)
He could teach you music or mosaics...'cause his mother loved him – Lar-ry!

Fruit is Larry's favorite way of counting, whether anthem, hymn or bal-lad
While the tension's mounting, he ignores the pressure and creates fruit sa-lad
Nectarines and lemons, figs and peaches and lime
Kiwi, pear, and guava, he makes up his own time
Even some persimmons work for voices, men's and women's, he's our Lar-ry!

COVID had a big effect, it turned us into nervous wrecks: we're Zoom-bies
Though it was rewarding, at iPhone recording we were new-bies
We'd record the anthem however we could
Deb and Tom would take it all and make us look good
Sometimes we were sappy, but it made us very happy for our Lar-ry"



St. Paul's Leadership and Staff

Rector	The Rev. Krista Fregoso
Associate Rector	The Rev. Lynne Sharp
Seminarian	Jen Crompton
Deacon Emeritus	The Rev. Margaretmary Staller
Deacon Emeritus	The Rev. Donald Adolphson
Chief of Staff	Eileen Mitchell

St. Paul's Vestry

Lisa Bell Stewart, Senior Warden	Marianne Johnson
Susan Burpee, Junior Warden	Ned Soares
Jessica Beerbaum	Jim Ward
Tom Chaffee	Jerry Williams
Melanie Corry	Mary-Jane Wood
Jennifer Machado, Chief Financial Officer	
Ronnie Marty, Clerk	



St. Paul's Vision Statement

At St. Paul's, as followers of Jesus Christ, we envision
a church that provides and supports
a loving community of faith: with our church,
with one another, and with our world,
Where all are welcome, no matter where they are on their spiritual journey,
Where activities, events, and opportunities support
spiritual growth for people of all ages and
diversities through worship, education, and service,
Where we use our God-given talents, time, and treasure
to lift the less fortunate and the vulnerable.
May we all support each other in remembering and
creating this vision, not just in the hours
we spend on campus, but during our daily lives, as we
interact with friends and neighbors,
and as we act as members of our wider communities.

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