



## St. Barnabas Episcopal Church Newsletter



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# A New Face at the Altar

We have been offered the wonderful opportunity to participate in the training and formation of a new priest by hosting a field education seminarian. On July 2, the Reverend Deacon Bonnie Stewart will begin worshipping with us and will continue serving at St. Barnabas until Pentecost Sunday 2019 (June 9). As Bonnie is attending seminary at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific (CDSP) in Berkeley, CA, her work at St. B's might appear sporadic. However, rest assured that she will be giving us all the attention that her busy academic schedule will allow. While serving at St. Barnabas, she will assist with the liturgy, participate in worship and Christian education planning, potentially lead Christian Ed classes, preach occasionally, and anything else that she thinks will help her prepare for work as a priest. I am very excited to welcome Bonnie and her wife, Megan Colwell, and I trust that you will make them feel at home quickly. Fr. Sean.

Here is Bonnie's biography:

### Bonnie Stewart

For most of my adult life, I was an insurance broker. So, finding my way to ordination in the Episcopal Church was a somewhat circuitous journey. Back in 2009, I heard Bishop Gene Robinson preach on Isaiah 6:8. As he shared his story, I heard my own story. As he shared his call to ordained ministry, I heard that still small voice asking, "what about you?" After thoroughly rejecting the very idea as utterly ludicrous (me, really????!!!), I finally decided to step out in faith and say "OK, God, yes, send me!" Through the process of discernment and prayer and with the help of my Rector and Vocations Committee, I was blessed with the call to serve the Church as a Deacon. I served at Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Castro Valley, CA for 2 years. In 2014, my wife was offered the chance to work from her company's Portland, Oregon office. After moving, I soon found a church and have been serving at St. Michael and All Angels since January of 2015.

Just when I thought I was "done", I began to sense that God had something else in store for me. So, I began to pray about it and what emerged was a deep yearning to be a priest. I talked to my Rector at St Michaels, friends and colleagues, and my former Rector in California. I was encouraged to step out in faith and to trust the process of discernment. After a year in discernment, I received the Vestry's approval and was subsequently invited to Vocations Conference. They recommended to the Bishop that I be approved for Postulancy and I received the Bishop's approval in October of 2017. I am now a postulant for ordination to the priesthood in the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon. To that end, I am attending Church Divinity School of the Pacific, pursuing a Certificate in Anglican Studies. I am thrilled to be joining St. Barnabas as a seminarian and look forward to what God has in store for us as we work together to share in God's vision for our world.



## Christian Education and Youth Ministry Happenings

### Family Bowling

After the service, on **Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**, kids of all ages from St. Barnabas are going to be heading out to go bowling at Tigard Lanes. We're aiming to get a good group of kids and parents. Everyone is welcome, though, and just so you know: there's no shame in playing with bumpers down!

### Shepherd's Door

On **Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**, middle schoolers, high schoolers, and families in general are encouraged to be a part of the volunteer team heading out to Shepherd's Door, a shelter for women and their young children. Some will be cooking dinner and some will be serving the meal, and all are invited to sit and eat at the tables with the families. If you or your kids have any interest in helping to prepare the food, you can show up beforehand in Grafe Hall at 3pm, and we'll carpool to the shelter, cook, and then serve the meal before 5:30pm. Please feel free to show up at the shelter before serving time.

### Youth Group

On **Wednesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:30pm in Grafe Hall, there'll be a Youth Group for kids 12 and up. I hope every kid can make it! There'll be pizza, and everyone is encouraged to bring snacks to share, potluck-style. We'll be playing a game, talking about a reading from scripture, and then closing with quick evening prayers in the chapel, ending at 8pm.

### Movie Night

RaSMaTaS (Reverent and Serious Movies about Theology and Suffering) continues! On **Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup>**, we'll see *All Saints* (2017), the story of an Episcopal priest assigned to a tiny church in rural Tennessee – and meant to shut it down. The priest starts to deviate from the bishop's script, though, especially when he allows Burmese refugees to settle and farm the church grounds. Thanks to Carol Bridges for the recommendation! (Sandy and Pat both give this a big thumbs up 👍)

### Portland Rescue Mission

On **Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**, volunteers from St. Barnabas will be meeting at Portland Rescue Mission's downtown location on Burnside to feed hundreds of people dinner. Serving begins at 6pm, and many of us will be a half hour early. No food prep required, just energy. High schoolers and mature middle schoolers are encouraged to come. If transportation is an issue, carpooling is definitely available. We'll all be out by 7:30pm.

Aubin Spice, Christian Education Director/Youth Minister

For more information please see Aubin. You can email him at [ymstbarnabas@gmail.com](mailto:ymstbarnabas@gmail.com) or call him at 414-326-4451.



## NOTES FROM THE WOMEN OF ST. BARNABAS

The Women of St. Barnabas met Sunday June 24th following 10:00 coffee hour with a full agenda to tackle. It was a good meeting with lots of discussion and input from all who attended.

Leslie gave a recap of the rummage sale and the plusses and minuses we took away from it. We are very grateful to Jean Dilworth who helped with the cost of a rented storage for 4 months prior to the sale. Our donations were running over with nowhere to store them. So Jean - thank you. Also we are very grateful to Leslie for chairing this huge undertaking and all of our parishioners who helped make it happen. The monies raised help us to support our outreach endeavors.

We discussed the Pentecost Tongues of Fire Chili Cook-Off. This year we had two separate categories - chili with meat and vegetarian. We talked about having a bit of difficulty finding non meat chefs so next year we will be going back to just one category - not divided with having a request for at least one non meat entry.

Sunday was the last Sunday for the West Women's and Children's Shelter ingathering. We thank so many of you who gave to this great cause. We have been offering up support for the last five years. However, it was decided that this would be our last for a while. We are working at streamlining our donation circle and want to focus on our partnership with Portland Rescue Mission with their Burnside location and Shepherd's Door location.

We offered a very nice Father's Day breakfast between services June 17th. However attendance was down which was a little disappointing. School was just getting out and there were several graduation celebrations the same weekend as well. We will be making a small change next year and that is the women will provide the entire breakfast and not ask for donations for certain aspects of the meal.

We spent some time looking at our proposed budget but decided to table some of the decisions as the vestry is also looking to do some streamlining to our outreach as a church and we want to see where we can possibly be the most helpful.

Cathie Price and Lisa Begley worked with Aubin in organizing, shopping, cooking, and serving at Shepherd's Door in May. It was a great service and we met many wonderful women and children. We have two future dates - one in July and one in August that we will be serving again. Sign up for these are on the Women's bulletin board in Grafe Hall. If you would like to help please sign up. Our goal in the future would be to have two or three core groups of 8 each that would be taking on this ministry. Feel free to talk to any of us if you have questions.

The women continue to shop and fill the food bags for our community dinner. Kay, Liz, and Leslie are key in putting the bags together. They are also there at the dinner handing the bags out. This has been very important as they get a chance to visit with the recipients and thus find out more as to ideas of what can be put into the bags. We have our weekly food cart on Sunday for donations to this ministry. If you have any questions please reach out to Kay.

Lots of spots open for coffee hours following the 10:00 service. Please think about signing up for one of these spots. The women are so very grateful to Donnie for continuing to help with this week after week. We now have a coffee hour outline on the bulletin board that lists many of us who would be willing to tag team with you.

Plans are under way for our first off site outdoor Eucharist and Picnic. Liz has booked Gabriel Park for Sunday, September 16th. There will be more information coming soon. We do have a sign up for food on the Women's bulletin board. I think this will be great fun!

Race for The Cure is the same date as the picnic. However, Vicki Church will be walking with her team "Never Give Up" as she has every year. She would love to have you join her or just be a sponsor of her team. Please see her with questions.

We discussed our Holiday Tea in December with a few more ideas for a guest speaker. We are looking towards our 4 legged family members - our pets. We will be speaking to Animal Aid to see if they would like to join us. This is a nonprofit, no-kill animal rescue and welfare organization that has been passionately serving animals and the people they love since 1969. They are also in our neighborhood.

Our next meeting is planned for Sunday August 26th following the 10:00 service. Please join us.

Lisa Begley-President, Leslie Coefield-Vice President, Liz and Kay Martin-Secretaries, Anita Galloway-Treasurer

## **Grand Ultreya! for Cursillo**

**2 p.m. on Sunday, July 8, 2018**

**Held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church,  
1444 Liberty St. SE, Salem, OR 97302**



***The Kingdom of God is near***

**Come enjoy fellowship and songs with other Cursillistas**

**Welcome the newest Cursillistas.**

**Bring a friend and snacks to share**

**[www.oregon-cursillo.org](http://www.oregon-cursillo.org)**



### ADOPT-A-WINDOW

If you ever wonder what the weather is like outside, you can ask Aubin for a temperature check, because his office has no heat or cooling. We are working on the heat/cooling situation, but, we also noticed that the single pane windows in his office are old, inefficient, and painted shut. Then we noticed that every window in the church (except the remodeled bathroom) needs replacement. To that end, the Vestry is introducing an adopt-a-window program. It may take us 30 years to replace all the windows, but we will enjoy every step of the process. We have a quote to replace the windows in Aubin's office, in the hallway outside his office, and in the Sacristy for about \$700 each. The contractor has agreed to replace each window as funding becomes available, so we don't need to squeeze money out of anyone. This is simply an invitation for parishioners to sponsor a window at any time the spirit moves you. We have lots of windows and lots of time. For those who wish, adopted windows will be marked with a plaque listing the benefactor's thanksgiving or memorial – all donors will receive an adoption certificate that will likely be unsuitable for framing. Please see Sean for more information or to start the adoption process

**New Prayer List Protocol:** In order to keep our list current, we will be updating the list at the beginning of every month. If you would like a loved one or yourself to be on the list at any time, please email the office at [stbarnabas@hotmail.com](mailto:stbarnabas@hotmail.com), but know that we will start fresh at the beginning of every month. The list will change on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

### *Day Timers Fellowship*

The first of our summer field trips was to the Oregon Historical Society Museum. Ten of us headed downtown together and enjoyed a couple of hours seeing the exhibits and enjoying an afternoon out. Eva Calcagno is working on our next trip for late July and we plan to hold another potluck in early August. Contact Sandy Hunnicutt to sign up or for more information. [shunni@q.com](mailto:shunni@q.com) 503 246-7952



**August is favorite Hymn Month!!**



Everyone is invited to submit your favorite hymns to be sung at the 10:00 AM service during the month of August. Of course, songs from the Hymnal and Glory & Praise are welcome, but other ideas are encouraged! So now is the time to dust off the songs you have always wanted to sing but thought we never would.

# Photo Gallery



## Vacation Bible School



A HUGE Thank You to St. Barnabas for supporting Speech and Debate  
at Wilson High School



Thank you to all the parish members who gave donations and came out to the two dining fund-raisers to help the Wilson High School Speech and Debate team earn funds to cover some of the costs to attend the National Speech and Debate Association National Tournament in Ft. Lauderdale, FL in June. It meant a lot to me to have your support and the large St B's contingent at the dining events certainly made an impression on the coach and other team members! Go St. Barnabas! I was one of eight WHS students who qualified to attend participate in the national tournament. All together 43 students from the North Oregon district qualified for the tournament.

I competed in my event (Original Oratory) for the first two days, but did not make the cut to go to the next round. I then competed in an alternate event, Extemporaneous Debate, for a third day. While no Oregon students made it to the finals, it was an incredible experience to participate at the national level and to see all the finalists perform. We did have some free time, too, and got to go to the beach and toured Miami.

Here are some photos from the trip. One is of the WHS group gathering in the hotel lobby, and the other is of the awards ceremony.

Thank you again for your support of the team and of me over the years. I know when I go off to college, that I have a big St. Barnabas family behind me.

Thanks,  
Fletcher



## *Stump the Priest*

Q: When do we have baptisms and confirmations?

A: According to the Book of Common Prayer (p. 312), "Holy Baptism is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on the Day of Pentecost, on All Saints' Day or the Sunday after All Saints' Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord (the First Sunday after the Epiphany). It is recommended that, as far as possible, Baptisms be reserved for these occasions or when a bishop is present." However, my pastoral philosophy is that we will do baptisms on a Sunday that makes the most sense for the family, when possible we default to the recommended holy days.

Confirmation, on the other hand, is a rite reserved for the Bishop and can only be done during his/her visit. Bishop Michael's next visit to St. Barnabas will be on Sunday, January 13, 2019.

If you are interested in baptism or confirmation for yourself or one of your family members, please contact me.

*You may submit questions for Fr. Sean to answer in the Stump the Priest section of our Newsletters! Questions may be emailed to [rectorstbarnabas@gmail.com](mailto:rectorstbarnabas@gmail.com) or [stbarnabas@hotmail.com](mailto:stbarnabas@hotmail.com), or just drop him a written note.*

**St. Barnabas Vocation Statement:** As followers of Jesus Christ, the people of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church are called to learn, serve, welcome, and celebrate.

**Believe Out Loud Welcoming Statement:** At St. Barnabas Episcopal Church we believe there is a place for everyone around God's table. With love and respect, we welcome all people into our community. Whatever your beliefs or background, your sexual orientation or gender identity, your race or ethnicity, your age or family structure, abilities or disabilities; wherever you are on life's journey, your presence is a blessing. We cherish the diversity you bring to us.

### **Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars**

The Church Office will be closed on Wednesday, **July 4th** in celebration of Independence Day.

**Free Community Dinner, July 14th, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.** This will be a great BBQ and volunteers always welcome, and needed. The cooking/set up starts at 2:00 p.m. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board in Grafe Hall.

**Monday Night Knitters** will meet **July 9<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1. And also **July 23<sup>rd</sup>, August 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sandy Hunnicutt. 7025 SW 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. We currently are working on scarfs, hats, prayer shawls and more. Beginners and crocheter's are always welcome. Contact Cathie in the church office or Sandy Hunnicutt at [shunni@g.com](mailto:shunni@g.com)

**Breakfast between the Services**, is Sunday July 15th, at 9:00 a.m. This is a long time activity of the Men of St. Barnabas. If you would like to help prepare and serve breakfast, please arrive in Grafe Hall at 8:45. See Keith Enos for more information.

**Vestry Meeting**, Wednesday, June 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the Rector's Office. Guests are welcome.

**Women of St. Barnabas** the next meeting is Sunday August 26th following the 10:00 service

**Second Sunday Singers** meet on the Second Sunday of each month! No experience is required, just show up at 9:15 a.m. and join the Second Sunday singers. You'll learn and perform a song that day.

**Day Timers' Potluck Lunch**, will return in early August.

**Outdoor Eucharist and Picnic**, Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

*Race for the Cure Sunday, September 16th*

**Choir has adjourned for the Summer.** Practices will resume in September. See Glenn Bjorkquist for more information. We welcome new voices.

**Join us for The Bible Challenge / Adult Bible Study each Sunday in 2018 Between the 8 and 10 a.m. services**

**Newsletter Deadlines: each 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday/Monday.** Send articles to Sandy Hunnicutt at [shunni@q.com](mailto:shunni@q.com). (July 16<sup>th</sup> & August 20th)

### **Church Office Hours**

**Parish Administrator**, Cathie Dainton Piacente's hours, Mon-Thurs, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Rector**, Father Sean's Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. or by appointment. Father Sean is available by phone for emergencies

**Director of Christian Education**, Aubin Spice: Mon-Thurs 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. or by appointment.  
**Please note:** It is always good to call ahead to be sure that the individual you want to see is in the office, 503-246-1949.

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**The St. Barnabas' Vestry** members are Leslie Coefield, Anita Galloway, Dorrie MacGregor, Liz Martin, Cathie Price, Justin Reel, and Betty Woerner.

If you have questions, issues, or comments, all of us are willing to talk. Vestry meetings occur the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Meetings are held in Fr. Sean's office. Visitors are always welcome.

Our phone numbers are listed in each newsletter and in every bulletin. Emails are in the church directory and at the church office.

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Other group's contacts:

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Men's Group: Keith Enos 503-244-6195  
Women of St. Barnabas (WoSB): Lisa Begley 503-245-2378  
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### **Twiddle Muff**



Jim Anderson was away one Sunday and from his visit to St. Peter's, he brought back a **Twiddle Muff**.

What is a **Twiddle Muff** you ask? It's a yarn and fabric, ribbon creation. There's some knitted, crocheted and ribbon objects attached.

It may be used to keep your hands warm, it may be used in a memory care home to keep client hands occupied. If you come to knitting nights you may see this in person. Does making one interest you? Do you have ribbon to donate to help others make these? Join us at knitting to see this creation.