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Weekly Update 28 September 2017

Reflection

Margo Huth

Loving Spirit

*Summer sun stole much moisture,
moved wind to dry numerous streams,
scorched crops and deadened dreams.*

*Was it goblins who hovered on dusty roads,
bleached the living to empty hopes?*

*Did they push sour-scented breeze
to form cacophonous voice.*

*Were they wicked thoughts
pierced forests
in bold fumes of hatred,
spread fires of fear
that refused to die.*

*Still, without sun's warmth nothing grows,
neither blue-green forests
nor loving souls.*

*Can ambience of water-filled ponds
and fresh full springs, loosen the Glory
of luminous Light?*

*Climate change hurled hurricanes,
all types of beings drowned.
Yet here, Lord God, may your tears bless...
in autumn's golden sound?*

Margo Huth 9/26/2017

October 1, The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am

Morning Prayer

Christ Church
Reverend Diane Ramerman
Dale Ramerman

9:00 am—Noon

Child Care

Parish Hall Children's Room

9:15—10:15 am

Adult Faith Formation

Parish Hall Gathering Room
Breakfast at 9:00 am

9:30 am

Morning Prayer

Chandler's Square Community
Reverend Diane Ramerman
Dale Ramerman

10:30 am

Holy Eucharist

Christ Church
Presider: The Reverend Carol Rodin
Deacon: The Reverend Deacon Brian Lennstrom
Preacher: Dale Ramerman
Altar Guild: Carol Bergner, Kris Whitely
Eucharistic Minister/Crucifer: Mark Perschbacher
Reader 1: Shirley Barrett
Reader 2: Elyse Kircher
Ushers: Don Ibsen, Marie Ibsen
Tellers: Don Bergner, Mike Jackets

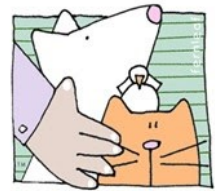
11:45 am

Coffee Hour

Jennifer Kellen

Noon - 1:30 pm

Blessing of the Animals



Readings

Proper 21

Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die. Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Psalm 25:1-8

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

Philippians 2:1-13

If there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Matthew 21:23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Announcements

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 1
Noon—1:30 pm
Parish Hall Lawn
Treats & Blessing Certificates!
All pets are welcome.

Bishop's Visitation

Sunday, October 8
Bishop Rickel will celebrate the Eucharist at the 8:00 and 10:30 am services.
The 10:30 service will include the Baptism of Lincoln Colt Osborne and the Reception of Zoanne Hyland and will conclude with the Dedication of the Memorial Garden.
Bishop's Reception & Conversation will follow in the Parish Hall Gathering Room.

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation

Weekly on Sundays
Study of the Book of Daniel
with Reverend Deacon Brian Lennstrom
Breakfast at 9:00 am
Class 9:15-10:15 am
Parish Hall Gathering Room
No Class on October 8 as our Ministry Support Circle & Bishop's Committee will be meeting with the Bishop.

Godly Play

Godly Play meets on alternate Sundays.
Lesson for October 8: *Holy Baptism*
9:00—10:15 am
Parish Hall Godly Play Room
All ages are welcome.

Child Care

Weekly on Sundays
9:00 am—Noon
Parish Hall Children's Room

Parish Hall Committee

If you are interested in participating in the newly formed Parish Hall Committee, please attend the formation meeting Monday, October 2
11:00 am
Parish Hall Gathering Room
If you have ideas to share and are unable to attend the meeting, please send an email to Guy Davidson, davidson.guy@gmail.com

Skagit Adult Day Program Lunch & Learn

Tuesday, October 3
12:30 - 2:30 pm
Parish Hall Gathering Room
Hosted by Gentry House

Worship Team Meeting

Thursday, October 5
9:00 am
Parish Hall Gathering Room

Women's Group

Tuesday, October 17

Noon—1:00 pm

Parish Hall Gathering Room

Janis Larkins will host a presentation on the *Vial of Life* program. This program allows individuals to have *Lifesaving Information for Emergencies* ready in their home for emergency response personnel to reference.

Please join us.

All are welcome.

Liturgical Ministries Training Day

Saturday, October 21

9:30 - 11:45 am

Keynote Speaker Michael Kleinschmidt, Canon Musician at St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle, will play our newly rebuilt organ and present two sessions:

—*Our Treasuries of Prayer and Song: Connecting the Book of Common Prayer and The Hymnal 1982*

—*Top 10 Hymns That will Outlive Us All*

All are welcome.

Gentle Yoga Class

with Instructor Rita Yribar

Weekly on Mondays

3:00 pm

Parish Hall Gathering Room.

Class is free and all are welcome.

Men's Group

Weekly on Fridays

8:00 am

Parish Hall Conference Room

Please join us.

All are welcome.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meetings

Second and fourth Fridays

3:00-5:00 pm

Parish Hall Gathering Room

All are welcome.

The Red Door Thrift Shop

A Ministry of Christ Episcopal Church

1019 Seventh Street, Anacortes

360-293-8027

Profits from our Red Door Thrift Shop fund Christ Church's Community Support program.

Shop Hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Donation Hours:

Monday through Friday

11:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Volunteers and donations are always welcome.

Clergy Schedule

10:30 am service

October 8, 8:00 & 10:30 am Services

Presider: The Rt. Reverend Greg Rickel

Preacher: The Rt. Reverend Greg Rickel

All Clergy

October 15

Presider: Reverend Diane Ramerman

Deacon: Reverend Dn. Eric Johnson

Preacher: Reverend Diane Ramerman

October 22

Presider: Reverend Carol Rodin

Deacon: Reverend Dn. Brian Lennstrom

Preacher: Reverend Carol Rodin

The Week Ahead...

<u>Monday, October 2</u> Parish Hall Committee Meeting 11:00 am Parish Hall Gathering Room Gentle Yoga Class 3:00 pm Parish Hall Gathering Room Choir Practice 5:00 pm Parish Hall Gathering Room	<u>Wednesday, October 4</u> Morning Prayer 9:00—9:30 am Christ Church Sanctuary Red Door Linen Group 10:00 am—Noon Parish Hall Gathering Room EfM Class 12:30—2:45 pm Parish Hall Conference Room Ministry Support Circle 3:00—5:00 pm Parish Hall Conference Room	<u>Friday, October 6</u> Men's Group 8:00 am Parish Hall Conference Room Office Volunteers 9:00—10:00 am Parish Hall Gathering Room
<u>Tuesday, October 3</u> SADP Lunch & Learn 12:30—2:30 pm Parish Hall Gathering Room Learning & Lunches 6:00 pm Parish Hall Conference Room AMC Music 7:00—8:30 pm Parish Hall Gathering Room	<u>Thursday, October 5</u> Worship Team Meeting 9:00 am Parish Hall Gathering Room Centering Prayer 1:00 pm Christ Church Sanctuary	<u>Saturday, October 7</u> Mt. Baker Regional Meeting 10:00 am—1:00 pm St. Paul's Episcopal Church Mt. Vernon <i>The church office will be closed the week of October 8th.</i>