

THE CATHEDRAL

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

July/August 2019

Reading the Cathedral

Sundays at 9:15am
July 28-August 18

Join us in the Cathedral and learn about the stories and symbolism of the stained glass, the carvings on the pulpit, how the organ works, and more!

- **July 28**—The Carvings, led by Michel Campbell
- **August 4**—The Architectural Style, led by Jennifer Ogden
- **August 11**—The Windows, led by Jennifer Ogden
- **August 18**—The Organ, led by John Bodinger

We're learning about our worship space as the beginning of an ongoing program, "Faith, Hope, and Love," in which we'll explore the beliefs, practices, and resources of our Episcopal and Anglican heritage as we walk in the Way of Love.

Regional Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, August 11 to Thursday, August 15**, 5pm-9pm, for a fabulous Vacation Bible School program located at St. Stephen's—a joint venture with the Cathedral and all Spokane area churches. We invite children ages pre-kindergarten to 12 years. Our theme will be *Living Stones: The Path of Jesus*.

Youth and adult teams will come together to lead us through the Holy Land as we dig deep into the life of Jesus, uncovering layers of stories from scripture that will lead us in the way of love.

Adults and youth who want to be involved may contact the Dean for more info.

Register at: www.ststephens-spokane.com

St. John's Goes to Camp!

St. John's families and friends: Join in some summer fun and fellowship!

You're invited to a day at beautiful Camp Cross on **Saturday, August 10**, 10am-3pm

Activities & schedule:

10am—Boat from landing

10:30am—Church service

11:30am—Camp tour

12:30pm—Barbecue lunch

Program: Highlights of camp / Free time and visiting

By 3pm—Depart

Transportation: private vehicles to the boat launch landing (we encourage carpooling), transport across the bay to camp on the "Saints Across" pontoon boat/barge

Cost: an offering of \$10/adult is recommended

How to sign up: Contact the church office or look for sign-up sheets in the Great Hall

Driving directions will be provided. Suggested items to bring include sturdy, closed-toe shoes for walking the camp terrain, sunscreen, and a water bottle.

Visual Arts at the Cathedral

By Kurt Carlson

Two years ago the Cathedral was one of the host sites for *The Bridge*, an international traveling art exhibit consisting of paintings by Muslim, Jewish and Christian artist. The exhibit was on display in the Great Hall for a month. It was a great way to highlight positive efforts being made in the Middle East towards a peaceful future; it also served as a vehicle to bring people to the Cathedral who otherwise may not have made their way here.

Several members of St. John's, including our new Dean, are interested in continuing to have exhibits at the Cathedral and would like to have other artists, art lovers, and organizers join together to help plan the next exhibit and to develop a vision for an ongoing gallery program.

If you have interest at any level, as an artist, short-term volunteer or committee member, please call Kurt at 509-270-8715. Our first meeting will be in September.

West Central Episcopal Summer Sale

West Central Episcopal Mission needs funds to purchase a new commercial fridge. The Mission is having a sale on **Saturday, July 27** at the mission (1832 W Dean Ave.). There are opportunities for donations and volunteers!

Volunteers are needed for: intake, sorting, and pricing on Friday, July 26, 4pm-7pm; set-up (6am), during the sale (8am-4pm), and clean-up (after 4pm) on Saturday, July 27.

Donations for the sale should be brought on Friday, July 26 to the Mission (1832 W Dean Ave.)

If you are able to volunteer, please contact Jessica Bondurant at wcemcommons@gmail.com, and thank you!

Thank You!

A million thanks to everyone who hosted a summer coffee hour! Your goodies and smiles were blessings!

From the Dean

By the Very Rev. Heather VanDeventer

Dear Cathedral Family,

Midsummer is here and I am full of thankfulness for the different ways of being that come in the summer. I am also full of thankfulness for good news around the Cathedral.

I have relished the cool summer mornings of this past week and chances for pleasant longer walks in the neighborhood. As a newcomer to this corner of the Inland Northwest, I am struck by the beauty of God's creation that surrounds us. For those shaped by the rhythm of the American school calendar (but not being farm kids when the summer means be busy with your crops and herds), summer has that spaciousness. There is time for vacation, for Sabbath rest and reconnection, for visiting places familiar or places new—whether around the corner or hours away. Some of you are spending time at lakes places, others are camping, and still others are just enjoying more daylight after work.

We sometimes take the beauty around us for granted. Maybe we give a quick "Oh Wow Thanks God" in prayer when we turn a corner and see a vista or a butterfly. The *Book of Common Prayer* has prayers to take us deeper and here are a couple for you:

O heavenly Father, who hast filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works; that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* (BCP p. 814, *For Joy in God's Creation*)

We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. *Amen.* (BCP p. 840, *For the Beauty of the Earth*)

I mentioned there is some good news around the Cathedral—of course there always is!

The Cathedral was honored to host the diocesan priesthood ordinations on June 15. The Rev. Dr. Jake Andrews, who has been serving at the Cathedral as a deacon for about a year, was ordained a priest. Jake will continue in his primary work as professor at Whitworth University and will continue to serve at the Cathedral as one of our assisting priests. You will see him on Sundays as part of the rotation to preside and preach, as well as participating in our Sunday forums. I am delighted that Jake, with his wife Chris and son Jonah, will continue to be part of the St. John's community.

The Rev. Dave Walker has served as a deacon at the Cathedral for 13 years and was a member of the congregation before that. Some of you know that Dave has also been in a time of discernment and study for becoming a priest, while continuing to work full-time, serve at the Cathedral and on diocesan ministries, and be involved in the broader community. At times the Holy Spirit works in slow steady ways—and then there are times when the Holy Spirit takes a sharp turn and says the time is now! And it is in that vein that Dave is heading to Sewanee (School of Theology at the University of the South, in the mountains between Chattanooga and Nashville) for a year of full-time seminary study. This is that kind of good news which is indeed **good** but also hard in that it means a (temporary) loss for the Cathedral. In a spirit of thanksgiving and support, I hope to see you on **Sunday, August 4**, when we will bless and send Dave off to Sewanee.

Even in the midst of the slower pace of the summer, work and ministry to make ready for the coming program year are underway as well. Sunday School plans are coming together, the music ministry is busy planning, ushers and greeters are having training, and more. Whether you are in town for the summer or

away now and then, know that I am and that we are holding the Cathedral congregation in prayer—and I hope you will do the same. See you on Sunday!

Peace, Dean Heather

From the Canon Associate

By the Rev. Canon Kristi Philip

If your route ever takes up the unpaved alley to Paulsen House, you might have noticed a burgeoning set of gardens along the road. Another section of garden beds is nearby. This community garden is managed by the Cathedral and used by residents of Canterbury court as well as Cathedral members and one or two people who were referred by the community gardeners group in Spokane County.

That means that all 18 beds are being used and this is a wonderful thing. Many people who don't have a yard now have the opportunity to raise flowers or produce in a sunny and well-tended space.

Some improvements are in place this year as well. We have repaired the deer fencing in the section along the roadway and are exploring possibilities for putting in a sturdier fence next year. In the other section of the garden, the 4-foot wire fence now has a higher section designed to discourage deer from eating what our gardeners have grown.

Jennifer Ogden has been most helpful in getting this in place. She came up with a plan to build the new part of the fence (a combination of fence post extensions and fish line), and purchased the supplies. She also arranged for some wonderful helpers, the members, leaders and family members of Boy Scout Troop 258 who spent a morning with us getting this project completed.

Earlier this year Jennifer also invited some master gardeners to advise us on some garden issues, both present and future. I deeply appreciate their counsel.

I'm thankful for all who are part of this gardening enterprise—gardeners, builders, advisers, helpers, and hope the gardening enthusiasm we have this year will continue.

Announcing Interim Choir Director

The Cathedral is pleased to announce that we have hired Andrea Olsen as the Interim Choir Director for the 2019-2020 program year.

Andrea has a long history of participation in the music ministry at the Cathedral, having sung under the direction of both Tim Westerhaus and Janet Ahrend, as well as years of experience conducting ensembles.

Please read Andrea's letter below and welcome her in this new role when you see her on Sundays. The choir will resume rehearsals on August 29 and return to Sunday worship on September 8.

In the early fall, the Dean will gather a search committee to work on a position description and begin a search for a new Director of Music Ministry to start in the fall of 2020.

This Fall marks the beginning of my 15th season of making music with our beloved Cathedral Choir! Instead of singing, however, I am delighted to have been selected to serve as your interim choral director for the 2019-2020 liturgical year.

Over the past several years I have reveled in being part of the enormous growth of the Cathedral's musical offerings to both our immediate parish members and the greater Spokane community. Most likely you recognize me as the Soprano Choral Scholar, but you may not know my first job out of grad school was directing the First Presbyterian Chapel Choir in Greeley, Colorado. When I moved back to Spokane, I was the Music Director for the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection (ECOR) in Spokane Valley, and have fond memories of the transformation our little music program made: we tripled our choral membership, added large works



for special services, created a dedicated choral rehearsal space, implemented a summer music intensive to our VBS programs, and started a youth choir!

When I left ECOR it was to begin singing at the Cathedral and to take the music specialist job for Mukogawa Women's University at MFWI, directing their 150+ member Chorus and smaller select Ensemble. In speaking with choir, parish, and clergy members

it became clear that our cathedral music community didn't want to rush into choosing a successor to Tim, hence the suggestion of an interim director position. After serving on our Dean Call Committee (how we found Dean Heather), I gained a new appreciation for taking the time to find the "right fit" for our Cathedral community. We are confident that taking the time to find our new music director that he or she will continue our current music program trajectory. While we conduct our search, I am honored to serve the cathedral music program in this new capacity and I plan to continue the growth of our cathedral choir membership, supplement our music library with accessible yet satisfying repertoire for our weekly anthems, continue our special service and seasonal programming, provide soloist and guest artist opportunities, and maintain our current level of community concert offerings serving those inside and outside our historic gothic walls.

Hosanna in the Highest!

Pint Jars Needed

It is almost time for Champagne Mustard! Altar Guild is collecting pint jars (and bands) for this year's supply. Please drop off your jars in the Jewett House collection basket near the Great Hall. We appreciate it!

Music at the Cathedral

by John Bodinger,
Interim Music Coordinator

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. I'm writing this while on vacation with my family in Sandpoint. We have enjoyed a mix of sunny and cloudy/rainy weather. We have also enjoyed some fun challenges, including a high ropes obstacle course in Faragut State Park.

Life itself is full of challenges. Overcoming challenges makes us stronger—as individuals, families and communities. Our community (especially our music program) was given a sizable challenge when Tim, our Director of Music, stepped down after almost five years of service. Could we find someone to replace Tim's extra large shoes?

That challenge is still in place. Andrea Olsen will serve as Interim Choir Director for the Cathedral Choir this upcoming 2019-2020 season. We all will benefit greatly under Andrea's musical leadership. We thank you, Andrea, not only for your musical gifts, but also for your gift of *time*. We now have an extra year to overcome the challenge of finding a permanent choir director to begin in the Fall of 2020. We will succeed!!

Passages

Confirmations: June 2 ~ Linda Ball-Digirolamo, Joscelyn Bradbury, Claire Jordan, Jeran Jordan, Jess Jordan, Linda Shea, Cherie Smith

Received: June 2 ~ Todd Anderson, Blaise Gartland

Weddings:

June 16 ~ Breyn Aegrett and Eric Engelbart

July 7 ~ Shea Fitzgerald and Daniel Scheuler

Baptisms:

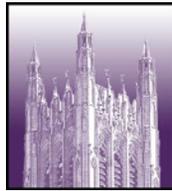
June 9 ~ James Glen Renner, Elsie Jean Fuller

June 22 ~ Emma Anne McAlpine

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THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

*Our Mission: To be a Christian community that invites people into a life where
through liturgy, outreach, hospitality and education
we all discover what it means to be beloved children of God*



Welcome Bash Sunday will be *September 8*, with festivities following the 10:30am Eucharist, including a Carillon Concert in recognition of the 50th anniversary of its establishment.

Our program-year Sunday schedule will begin on *September 15*, with Adult Forum at 9:15am. The 10:30am service will include a Blessing of the Backpacks. The Ministry Fair, highlighting opportunities for involvement, will follow the 10:30am service.

The **Cathedral Choir** will begin their weekly 7pm-9pm rehearsals on Thursday, *August 29*.

The **Cathedral Ringers** will begin their weekly 5:30pm-6:30pm rehearsals on Thursday, *September 5*.

The **Junior Choir** will begin their weekly 4:45pm-6pm rehearsals on Monday, *September 9*.

Worship Services

8am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:15am	Forum (7/21—8/18)
10:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesday

10am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
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Saturday

5:30pm	Holy Eucharist Rite II
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mid-July / August

14 8a Worship 10:30a Worship 12:30p Picnic	15 4p St John's Prop- erties 6p St Monica	16 7a Brotherhood 9:15a Staff 5:30p Prayer 6:30p Chapter	17 10a Worship 10:45a Bible Study 4:30p Foundation 6:30p Al Anon 2	18 4p Parish Life	19 6p Al Anon	20 5:30p Worship
21 8a Worship 10:30a Worship 12p Usher/Greeter Training <i>Family Promise</i>	22 <i>Family Promise</i>	23 12p Brotherhood 5:30p Prayer <i>Family Promise</i>	24 10a Worship 10:45a Bible Study 6:30p Al Anon 2 <i>Family Promise</i>	25 <i>Family Promise</i>	26 6p Al Anon <i>Family Promise</i>	27 5:30p Worship <i>Family Promise</i>
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Tours — Sundays • Fridays, 11am-2pm, & 4th Saturday, 12pm-2pm

The Windfall, 1024 S. Perry — Tuesday-Friday, 12:30pm-5:30pm • Saturday, 12pm-5pm

St John's Java — closed until September

Bookstore — closed until September