



SPOTLIGHT ON LITURGICAL ART

By Bess Anne Corwith

I found this definition of "Liturgical Art" online: Broadly defined, liturgical art is *any work of art that pertains in some way to the rite of Christian worship*. This may include the altar, furnishings, vestments, candles, banners, and other ritual objects, plus the architecture. All of these play some role in the divine worship service.

The latest piece of liturgical art is a very colorful cross for the pulpit. I found the inspiration on Pinterest and decided that we needed something like it. I didn't want the cross to have just a rainbow around it as it seems too easy to assume the meaning of a rainbow.

When I work on these paraments, it becomes a meditation for me and a search for how to visualize the messages in our faith. I thought perhaps it is time to talk about my meditations starting with this colorful cross.

Green: I started with the green rays. This is the green season of the liturgical year – also called Common Time. The green symbolizes growth in our faith and thus in our lives.

Blue: The color of the water of life – baptism and the rain that keeps our gardens and forests green.

Blue-Green: This reminded me of one of the many colors of our oceans. Another type of water. One which we need to protect and is so much a part of our lives in the northwest.

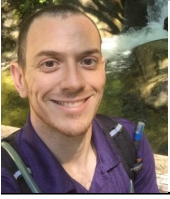


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The mission of the Trinity United Methodist Church is to be a welcoming ministry to all persons equally; to nurture spiritual development, fellowship and outreach.



PASTOR'S LOG

By Pastor Tony Brown

The Wacky Wednesday group took its trip to Great Wolf lodge on August 15th and 16th. Eric and I, along with one of the parents chaperoned the trip. We stopped on the way in Tacoma and had a nice healthy lunch at Taco Bell ;) Afterwards we made it to the hotel/ indoor water park in Chehalis where the outdoor temperature was 103 degrees! We arrived at 3pm and the girls immediately went to the water park and went on the slides and played in the wave pool until 7pm. Eric went out and picked up another healthy meal for us at Dominos ;) After dinner we went to the arcade at the hotel where the kids spent way too much money trying to win tickets for cheap prizes, but they had fun. Everyone eventually fell asleep by midnight after some threats were made by the tired adults ;)

The girls were up by 8:30 and after breakfast they went directly back to the waterpark and played until 4:30pm. The adults even went on some of the slides with the kids, including the Howling Tornado which I would prefer to never ride again. We made it back to Port Townsend at 8 after a stop for dinner at an awesome restaurant we found in Tacoma called Wok V Teriyaki.

Wacky Wednesday will start again on September 13th. In addition to the 8 kids we grew to this past year we are anticipating 5 new members. The girls will be working on another crane project this year in addition to the Wacky stuff they do on Wednesday like giant volleyball, slime making, and many other activities. If you'd like to help this school year please talk to me. Thank you again for supporting our little youth group and providing funds to make the program possible.

In Christ,
Pastor Tony



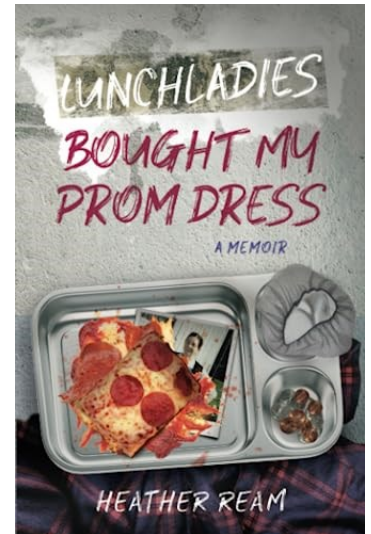
Souper Wednesdays

Pastor Tony will lead a 6 week study on the book "Lunchladies Bought My Prom Dress". This will be our Souper Wednesday study starting on September 13th at 11am. The description of the book is : Heather Ream is a gifted child at the center of a family bound by love but trapped in a cycle of dysfunction. Living in the projects in Knoxville, Tennessee, Heather's mother approaches life with a vivacious ferocity that's both awe-inspiring, and terrifying. Heather's father is the gentle heart of the family, a former Christian-pastor-turned-artist who whispers

awake the creative soul of his young daughter.

When a stunning tragedy splits the family apart, Heather is left to face her teenage years broke, fat, and trying to imagine a place for herself in a world that seems designed to diminish her at every turn. But in the rubble of loss she finds the scrappy pride of a survivor, and in the midst of scarcity a sisterhood built upon generosity and hope.

You can order the book on Amazon or let Pastor Tony know if you need one.



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Red: The color of Pentecost and the Spirit coming to the people; to us. Do we let the Spirit into our lives and take it with us after we leave church?

The **grey** and **brown** rays represent the inclusivity of Christ's love. He loves us regardless of our skin color, race, sexuality, gender, or any of the other characteristics which some people use to make faith seem exclusive.

Purple is the color of Advent and Lent. It is the color of royalty. It is also the color of communion wine.

Yellow reminds me of the Easter sunrise. The joy of finding Christ alive that morning and his forgiveness of our sins.

The intensity of the color of some of the rays diminish as they move away from the cross. Do we begin to forget the Sunday message as we move through our busy lives during the week?

My hope is that these pieces of fabric tell you more than just the color of the current liturgical season.





CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

Thursday, September 28, 7:00 PM

By Beth Kissinger, John Miller, and Ron Portin

The Vesper Piano Trio

In-Person, Online & On the Air

We'll send out more information via email soon. In the meantime, please enjoy the photos here of the Vesper Trio and our summer concerts!



The Vesper Piano Trio

September



Summertime Singers

July



Lino Rivera



June

CANDLELIGHT CONCERT LINE-UP & CHARITIES

Thursday, September 28

The Vesper Piano Trio

Thursday, October 26

Jean Lenke

Jazz, blues and folk vocal artist

Thursday, November 16

Kozmopolis

Folk music from around the world

Thursday, December 14

Terry Reitz

Christmas Organ Concert



Our Candlelight Concerts have raised donations for these charities:

OlyCap

Food Bank

Dove House

Gatheringplace

Bayside Housing

Food Bank Growers

Habitat for Humanity

Wild Rose Chorale Scholarships

Olympic Neighbors

St Vincent de Paul

Jumping Mouse

Olympic Angels

Recovery Café

YEA Music!

NAMI



OLYMPIC ANGELS LOVE BOX

Our training is complete, we have met with our Love Box Family and are now ready to provide foster family support in a variety of ways: meals, transportation, activities, respite care, celebrations and Love Box items.

We have eight members, one of whom is outside our church. If you would like to join our team please let us know. Olympic Angels is an outstanding organization and we are pleased to be able to provide this Love Box outreach to our community.

Blessings from our team!

Sally

Chris

Jan and Harvey

Annalee

Kevin

Dan and Donna, co-chairs





TRINITY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

By Nancy Stevens

Meetings begin September 15th!

As I write this article, I realize it will be the last one I write as President of Trinity UWF. It has been a wonderful 5 years for me serving as the President and I am excited to see what lies ahead for UWF as we make some changes! I thank the wonderful ladies of Trinity for their support and involvement these past years! Also I want to express my appreciation to the awesome women who have served as officers with me this past year: Sarah Heiner (VP), Zoe Ann Dudley (Treasurer), Melinda LaPlant (Secretary) - they have done a great job and we have worked fabulously together! I also want to thank Donna Purnell for providing the devotions for our monthly meetings and Chris Walvatne for sending birthday cards to the women of our church!

As our calendar summer draws to a close, we are ready to begin our monthly UWF luncheon/meetings! We are excited about starting another year of fellowship, educational opportunities, and fun! Our September meeting will be on **Friday, September 15th, 11:30 am** in the Trinity Fellowship Hall. It will be a **potluck**

luncheon and we will have our **annual election of officers** at that meeting. We have a few spots to fill and hope that you will consider serving in one of these positions! The officers work as a team and responsibilities are shared and not burdensome! At this time, Sarah Heiner has offered to fill the position of President and Zoe Ann Dudley offered to continue as Treasurer. The positions that are unspoken for are Vice President and Secretary. Also we are looking for someone to give the devotions at the meetings this year. If you would like more information about these positions, please contact Nancy Stevens (nstevensnow@gmail.com) or one of the other current officers.

We look forward to seeing you at the September 15th meeting - you are always welcome to bring a friend!



United
Women
in Faith

SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Ron PortinOrgan Tech
John Miller..... Sound, Tech, Musician
Devon Helman..... Zoom Tech
Matt HarterLive Video Tech
Ron Portin and Melinda LaPlant....Fold and collate bulletins
Dan Purnell Liturgist scheduling
Kathy O'Shea..... Sunday volunteer scheduling
Marlene Colvin..... Money Counter scheduling, training, etc.
Bess Anne Corwith.....Candles & paraments
Vicki LongCommunion prep

SEPTEMBER 3

Liturgist: Bess Anne Corwith
Coffee: Ron Rivas
Money Counters: Harvey Crow and Melinda LaPlant

SEPTEMBER 10

Liturgist: Kelly von Volkli
Money Counters: Sally Helman and Christ Walvatne

SEPTEMBER 17

Liturgist: Bill Brock
Coffee: Ron Rivas
Money Counters: Donna Purnell and Beth Kissinger

SEPTEMBER 24

Liturgist: Jeff Corwith
Money Counters: Donna Abbott and Marlene Colvin



FINANCE COMMITTEE

By Zoe Ann Dudley, Finance Chair

We are back in the saddle again, and looking forward to a lovely Fall. Your Finance Committee kept noses to the grindstone, with Lynn's help of course, through the summer. We are happy to report that:

- Income from EOGs, Donations, Rents, and Candlelight Concerts are above YTD budget by \$9,377 or at 108%.
- Expenses are below our budget by \$4,337 or at 96%.
- The fencing in the yard behind the parsonage has been completed, is attractive and well done. All the supplies were donated as well as all the labor. Thank you to all who participated.
- Our Candlelight Concert was a great success in August and we were able to donate \$389 to Jumping Mouse. The remaining income provided \$202 each to our Operating Fund and to our Maintenance Reserve. Thank you to all for attending, enjoying and giving us the opportunity to continue community outreach, as well as providing some income to take care of our Church.
- As of 8/18 our Operating Balance was at \$39,216 and after all monthly expenses, we are holding steady each month. The fulfillment of your

pledged EOG is what is holding us solid with other donations contributing significantly.

- Our current Loan Balance for our mortgage is \$86,543 at the rate of 3.75%. This loan is held by Faith Foundation Northwest. Our monthly payments are \$1001.00, which we have been able to meet without fail!!

We received a lovely and encouraging message from Rev Mark Galang, our Puget Sound District Superintendent. Trinity is at 58.33% of our annual total contribution to our Conference, which means we have made EVERY monthly payment in accordance with our annual pledge, which is 100% of our expected requirement. Not all churches have been able to maintain this level of contribution and WE HAVE OUR TRINITY FAMILY TO THANK!!

FROM MARK, "Please express my deep gratitude to your leadership and your congregation for their faithful giving that blesses not only our church but also the wider United Methodist ministry, blessing countless individuals and communities throughout the World".

We have the rest of 2023 to look forward to, knowing we go forward with strength, with the Love of each other and holding high the Love we share for our God. Blessing to all and thank you for the opportunity to work among you.

' Gratitude is so much more than a polite thank you. It is the thread that connects us in a deep relationship, simultaneously physical and spiritual, as our bodies are fed and spirits nourished by the sense of belonging, which is the most vital of foods. '

- Robin Wall Kimmerer



TRINITY HIKING GROUP

By Nancy Stevens

Would you like to enjoy some relatively easy hikes with friends? Then, this is the group for you! Our hikes are normally 3-5 miles long and we stick to the easier trails (not too much elevation gain). Most of the time we stay close to the Port Townsend area, but occasionally we venture further away and carpool for those hikes. Days and times vary, as we work around other commitments and weather.

If you are interested, please send your name and email address to Nancy Stevens (nstevensnow@gmail.com). Being on the hike notification email list does not obligate you to show up - but it does give you the opportunity to join us as you can! This is a friendly group of people and we welcome new faces! Feel free to share this invitation with others - all are welcome!



September Celebrations!

Birthdays

- 1 Shirley Rivas
- 3 Rejeana Drewry
- 3 Eric Incoy
- 7 John Sabol
- 9 Don Edgar
- 11 Beth Mackey
- 12 Shannon Callahan
- 18 Donette Kimball
- 20 Jenny Pack

- 21 Katie Finedell
- 24 Zoe Ann Dudley

Anniversaries

- 1 Stan Goddard and Beth Mackey, 2001
- 1 Rebecca and Jeff Krida
- 12 Erik and Katie Allen (9-12-2015)
- 18 Kevin and Kathy O'Shea
- 23 Warren and Chris Walvatne



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

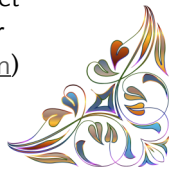


Craft Bazaar & Silent Auction Baked Goods, Too!

We are hosting a Craft-Cookie sale
on Saturday, **November 4th**

**If you aren't 'crafty' but want to
contribute, see the list for Silent
Auction Basket Ideas that you can
bring for the event.**

If you have questions, please contact
Debra (debolson747@yahoo.ca) or
Marlene (littleddhen321@gmail.com)



TRINITY TIMES DEADLINE

Articles and photos need to be received by the office
by **Tuesday, September 26** for our next publication.
Please e-mail your items to the office at
trinityumc@olympus.net.

BECOME A JUST SOUP VOLUNTEER

Every Tuesday St. Paul's Episcopal Church serves 80-
90 free lunches to the community. If you're interested
in serving or cooking or just want more information,
contact: Becky Brown-Nienow, 425-233-9981,
bbnienow@hotmail.com

SILENT AUCTION BASKET IDEAS

If you would like to contribute to the auction, but
don't know where to start, here are some Gift Bas-
ket ideas that Debra Olson brought to the UWF
luncheon:

COFFEE - coffee beans in a pint canning jar, cookies
(store bought or homemade), chocolate bar or can-
dies, mug, iced coffee drink

TEA - similar to above with special teas, candle in a
jar

COZY - mug, individual hot drink mixes, candle in a
jar, mittens, socks, twinkle lights, chocolate, essen-
tial oil or lotion

BAKING - measuring cups, whisk, cake or brownie
mix, oven mitt, cupcake wrappers, frosting mix,
spatula. This would be fun to color coordinate!

SALAD - croutons, specialty vinegar and oil, salad
tongs, praline pecans, cloth napkins

MOVIE NIGHT - microwave popcorn, bottles of pop,
chocolate and other candies, classic DVD(s), using a
popcorn bowl instead of a basket.

WINE - mulled wine mix, bottle of wine, 2 wine
glasses, wine stopper, bottle opener, towel for serv-
ing

ICE CREAM SUNDAE - ice cream scoop, waffle
cones or bowls, sprinkles, sundae syrup(s), jar of
cherries, M&Ms gummies or other toppings

PANCAKE - pancake mix, oven mitt or pot holders,
maple syrup, mixing spoons, use a mixing bowl in-
stead of a basket

CROCKPOT - slow cooker cookbook, dish towel,
wooden spoon, jar or 2 of spices *we may find a
nice slow cooker from the rummage sale that could
be used instead of a basket!

*We are saving baskets for this, so ask Debra or Mar-
lene if you need a basket to put your goodies in for the
auction.*

TRINITY LIFE AND COMMUNITY

Our Trustees, Wednesday Workers, and other volunteers worked hard this summer!



Our new fence



June clean-up day of our garden areas



Clearing out Firefly Preschool for the incoming Dragonfly



Mary on June clean-up day



Our new walkway from the street

WELCOME TO TRINITY!



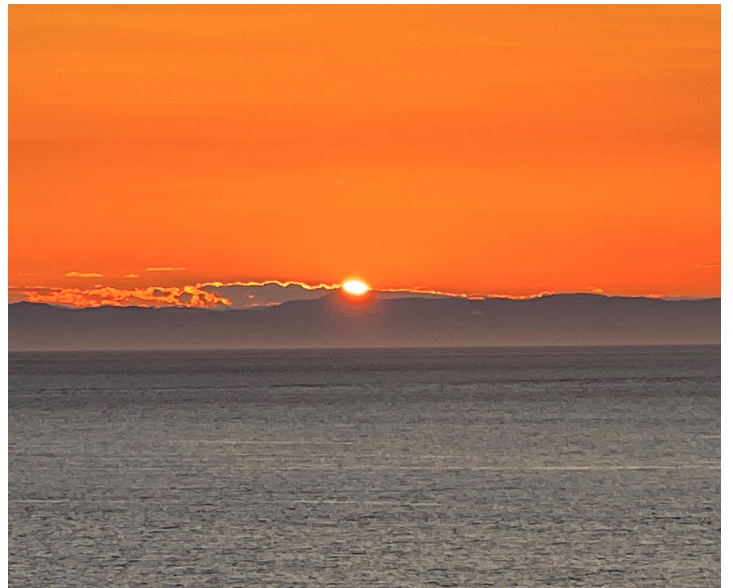
Welcome Maggie Hawley and Jackie & Dick Driver!



The YMCA really appreciates how Trinity stepped up to help with summer lunches for kids!

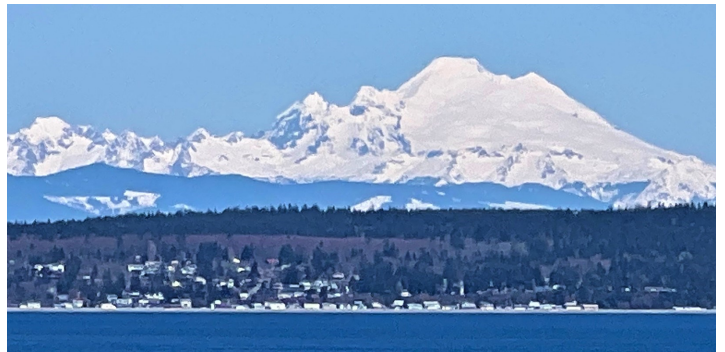
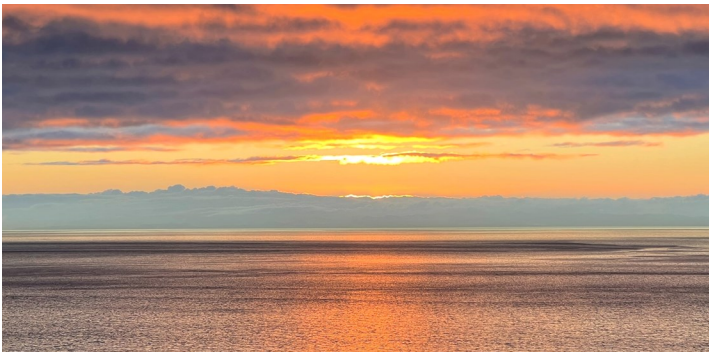


A giant THANKS to Sally Helman, Jean Baumann,
and Ron Portin (*Staff Appreciation Committee*)
for their work creating a most amazing
celebration for us!





Unveiling of Wacky Wednesday's 1,000 Peace Cranes (bulletin board in Fellowship Hall has the whole story)



BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, September 3
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

Sunday, September 10
15th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 12:1-14
Psalm 149
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

Sunday, September 17
16th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 14:19-31
Psalm 114
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

Sunday, September 24
17th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember these people and their families in your prayers: **Jennifer Benoit, Juanita Campbell, Cecil, Pinky Dale, Diane Delmar, Drewery Family, Kris Fairbanks, Lisa Flick, Steve Freeman, Teresa Gonzales, Ray Grier, Addison Kinchen, Clayton LaPlant, Lu, Beth Mackey & Stan Goddard, Marla Moriarty, Tom Olson, Recovery Café, Lisa Reynolds, and Pat Webb.**

Please pray for healing and support for our Trinity family, friends, and family members.

Pray also for those who are lonely, grieving, in need, homeless or looking for work, and for peace in our world.

Also, remember in your prayers all those in the military, and pray for all in harm's way and their families, as well as those who have lost loved ones to war.

Please pray for those innocents who have died and those affected by war and violence throughout the world.



September 2023

Trinity Event Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Our Charge Conference will be Oct. 12 at 6pm						
3 Communion Sunday Food Bank Sunday 10 Worship Service 11 Coffee & Fellowship	4 <i>Office Closed</i> 12 Bible Study 1:30 Refuge Recovery	5 <i>Office Closed</i> 5:30 Voice Choir 7 Pub Theology (offsite)	6 <i>Office Closed</i> 9 Work Wednesday 9:30 Clean Team & Coffee 5:30 Bell Choir	7	8	9
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*Pray for Love, Peace, Justice
and Rebirth in the world.*

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