

Saint Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church

June 2025 Newsletter

ST. MM GIVES THE RINALDIS A LOVING SENDOFF



Photo by Steve Loomis

Congregational reading on the day St. MM said goodbye to Bob and Linda:

We feel sorrow in your leaving
yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of
this new phase of your life.
We will miss your love and support,
yet we know you will add much to the lives
of those who will be your new church
family, as you have added much to our lives.

We will pray for you and for the whole
family of God.

Godspeed, Bob and Linda



Love you lots. Visit often.

JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 10 & 24 – Healing/Prayer Service, 11:00 a.m.

June 1- Rev. Hugh Tudor-Foley, Preacher/Celebrant

June 8 – Day of Pentecost

June 8 & 15- Rev. Katy Campbell, Preacher/Celebrant

June 22- Bishop Bane, Preacher/Celebrant

June 29 - To be determined

June 25 - Vestry Meeting, 5:30 p.m. *All are welcome.*

June 27 -Articles for July Newsletter are due. Contact Phyllis Olson or Sherol Grigerick.

Thank you, Julia Poisson, Senior Warden, for securing the Preacher/Celebrants for the coming weeks as St. MM awaits the selection of a priest.

LOOKING AHEAD

Outreach Opportunity

West End Presbyterian Church (WEPC) will sponsor a *Rise Against Hunger* outreach event on Saturday, September 20, from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. WEPC organizers need donations and at least 100 volunteers from area churches to help pack up to 25,000 meals. Each meal package consists of rice, soy, and dehydrated vegetables and will feed around six people. The meal packages will be sent to specific geographic locations worldwide where need is great. WEPC has partnered with *Rise Against Hunger* on seven previous occasions, and they have been impressed with the organization's mission, coordination, and facilitation. St.MM volunteers participated in a similar event in 2019. If you wish to contribute to

this outreach, make checks to St. MM indicating *Rise Against Hunger* on the memo line. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Sherol.



June Birthdays

Jessie MacKay 10
Henry Fisher 13
John Sapp 18
Crystal Fravel 20
Bette Hanham 27



June Anniversaries

Robbie and Doug Caskey - June 14



A WORD FROM BISHOP BANE

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY
When we think about it, there is a wholeness to worldly suffering that adds depth to our lives. If we were never unhappy, we could not recognize happiness. If we were never anxious, how would we know what peace feels like? If we never failed, we could not enjoy our successes. The reality is that our feelings will come and go, and we cannot build our faith on such a shaky foundation. What is sure and dependable and unshakable is God's very personal love shown for you and me in Jesus. In the 14th Century Julian of Norwich wrote, "all will be well, and all

will be well, and all manner of things will be well." We do believe that ultimately everything will be right and just and pure, but we are not there yet. In the meantime, we travel with the God who has experienced every bit of this journey as we do and walks with us through the good and the bad, the joy and the sadness, the successes and failures. Seems like that is worth a smile, deep within us.....

CELEBRATING OUR BEAUTIFUL GRANDCHILDREN



Aspen Wilder Parsons, granddaughter of Jane Hanham and great granddaughter of Bette Hanham



Kaelynn Phillips
granddaughter of Jane Hanham and great granddaughter of Bette Hanham



Charlie and Ryan, granddaughters of Pete and Phyllis Olson



In the Episcopal tradition, Pentecost is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter. The term is used in the NT to refer to the coming of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1), shortly after Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension.

Christians came to understand the meaning of Pentecost in terms of the gift of the Spirit. The Pentecost event was the fulfillment of a promise which Jesus gave concerning the return of the Holy Spirit.

The speaking in tongues, which was a major effect of having received the Spirit, is interpreted by some to symbolize the church's worldwide preaching. It emphasizes that the church is understood as the body of Christ which is drawn together and given life by the Holy Spirit. Some understand Pentecost to be the origin and sending out of the church into the world. **Copied**

(It is traditional, but optional, to wear red on the Day of Pentecost, a garment, a tie, a scarf, a piece of jewelry, etc.)



The Rev. Katy Campbell will be our supply priest June 2025 until February 2026, serving the second and third Sundays of each month. Her first Sunday will be June 8th, Day of Pentecost.



The Coalition is always in need of food donations. Canned goods, rice, pasta, non-perishables are always welcome. Bring them Sunday and they will be blessed, then delivered to the food bank on Monday morning by Pete.

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"Our full humanity is contingent on our hospitality; we can be complete only when we are giving something away;..."

Author, Alice Waters



"Old age is like a plane flying through a storm. Once you are aboard there is nothing you can do about it." **Golda Meir**



"The older I get, the more clearly I remember things that never happened." -

Mark Twain



"Music is the universal language of mankind."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Vestry Members

Senior Warden – Julia Poisson
Junior Warden – Sherol Grigerick
Steve Loomis, Lloyd Brewer,
Jim Douglass and Linda Sapp

Vestry Secretary – Sherol Grigerick
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*"No one has ever seen God; but if we love
each other, God lives in us!" 1 John
4:12*

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