



ST. HUGH'S NEWS & VIEWS

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Welcome Autumn and October

by The Rev. Christie Logan



Oh my goodness! It's almost October all ready, my favorite time of year and my favorite month. Perhaps it's because it's my birth month and I always enjoy celebrating my birthday, but I also love this season, when the trees start to burst into glorious color, and the air turns crisp. I even enjoy the return of the rain (for awhile.) I'm not sure this year it can be considered to be returning, did it ever really go very far away? As I look forward to October, there is so much happening to celebrate in our life at St. Hugh.

We'll start the month off **Saturday and Sunday Oct. 1st and 2nd** with the **Total Common Ministry Retreat**, with our own Rev. Kim Forman as missionary, hosting our friends and colleagues from the other seven TCM congregations in the Western Washington Diocese, from Anacortes to Cathlamet. It's always fun and

rewarding to be with those who have and continue to journey with us in this very special model of ministry.

Beloved and ever living God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in shared ministry for the renewal of and mission of your church. Teach us in all things to perceive what is right and good, and grant us the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it through Christ our Lord. Amen

Here at St Hugh it is an especially exciting year as we enter into our third generation **Ministry Circle Formation**. We're already working on getting clear about the discernment process, *what it is and what it is not*, studying the texts LISTENING HEARTS , and Grounded in God. Even as I write, those called to the new ministry circle are busily working on their personal spiritual auto-biographies which they will be sharing in October. This is truly learning by doing; the members have already begun serving as "Guardian of the Vessel" for the weekly meetings. Barbara Bertsch was brave enough to be the first and did a beautiful job of starting us off with prayer and scripture, keeping us true to time and on task , then sending us off again with prayer. Bill Smith will fill this role next, and each of the others will take their turn as the process moves along. If you are interested in attending any of the upcoming classes all are welcome, just come and talk with one of the clergy mentors, Jim, Jennifer, Sylvia or myself.

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O God, you prepare your disciples for the coming of the Spirit through the teaching of Jesus Christ; Make our hearts and minds ready to receive the blessings of the Holy Spirit, that we may be filled with the strength of your presence; through Christ our Lord. Amen



Sunday, October 3rd is the Feast of St. Francis, and with it comes our **Animal Blessing Sunday** when we invite our four legged, furry and feathered friends to worship. Bring yours and invite your friends to bring theirs. The Ministry Counsel is preparing for **Stewardship Sunday, October 10th**. Mary Ellen Young, our friend who shares her worship time with us and with St. Luke's in Edmonds, will share her expertise in this area with us, as our homilist that day. She has recently returned from a national Stewardship conference, and shares her passion for Stewardship at St Luke's and other congregations in the diocese.

ECW is busy with the **Holiday Bazaar**. It will happen on **Saturday, Oct. 23rd**. This is a time when the ST Hugh ladies draw on their incredible creativity and gifts and offer them to the greater community for the greater community. There will be wonderful things to see and buy, and treats to taste, and a day of happy camaraderie. All the resulting income then go to community outreach. You go gals!

Also in the works are plans for the **Bishop's Visit, Tuesday, Nov. 23rd**. Bishop Greg will be here to help us celebrate burning the mortgage, bless the Labyrinth and honor our Patron, Saint Hugh. What a celebration for the abundance and grace with which this congregation and community is blessed.

O Holy God, who endowed your servant and bishop Hugh of Lincoln with wise and cheerful boldness, and taught him to commend the discipline of holy life to kings and princes; Grant that we also, rejoicing in the Good News of your mercy, and fearing nothing but the loss of you, may be bold to speak the truth with love, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Blessings on your October, please include these prayers in your personal spiritual practice, and remember all of those whose names are on our prayer list for healing, comfort and well-being. The prayers are taken and adapted from the BCP, and LESSER FEASTS AND FASTS. I offer you one more for all the people of the world and for our nation in these troubled and confusing times.



O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infects our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony. In Jesus Christ we pray and give thanks. Amen



October 3rd, Feast of St Francis Animal Blessing Service

Just a reminder that one of our most fun Sundays is coming up. The Feast of St Francis when we invite our Critters to join our worship service. This will be our 4th annual Blessing of the Animals. In addition to our abundance of dogs, we've blessed turtles, parrots, kitties of course, a horse, (it didn't come into the sanctuary, it was "a horse, of course.) Probably the

most memorable critter was two years ago when we were visited by a Vietnamese Pot Belly Pig. I'm sorry to say I can't remember her name (Rosie maybe?) but she was great fun and very responsive. There will be treats for all the critters. Be sure and bring you beloved animal family members, and invite your friends to bring theirs. Dogs must be on a leash and Kitties should be in carriers or have one close by. If you will be bringing something exotic, please let us know so we can be prepared with appropriate treats.



Labyrinth Update

If you haven't seen our Labyrinth display in the lobby of the Belfair Library, please stop by. Thanks to Paddy Gilson for helping set it up. It also includes interesting information on the Labyrinths at Harmony Hill in Union. It will be on display until Sept. 30.

Let us hold in prayer and give thanks for each person who finds God's peace and comfort when they walk our labyrinth. Recent visitors wrote the following in the comment book:

8/23 – After part of the Steel Escort yesterday, this is a beautiful respite place. Thank you and God Bless. Kellie

8/23 – Beautiful and breathtaking. J Kyra

9/16 – We walked the labyrinth and it was a great experience. We followed the path and it was wonderful. Sheila & Peter

9/16 – After going through the construction by listening to Jim and Wilma, I really enjoyed the experience. It is beautiful. Berit

9/20 – I recently moved to Allyn and your labyrinth is right down the road. I have walked one weekly in Port Angeles at a private home as part of a meditation group. Thank you for sharing yours and thank you for feeding my spirit. Trish

9/18 – Note from Jim Neal: it was wonderful to have the patio for the reception following Perry's Memorial Service. We received many compliments on the project. Also, having the hard surface path to the standing area in front of the Memorial Garden made for a respectful way to inter the ashes of a loved one.

Labyrinth Fund-Raising Status

As of Sunday, Sept. 19, we have **received a total of \$3610.00**. Thank you to everyone who has donated to help complete this wonderful project. The loan balance due to our Pearson Fund is \$2290.00. These numbers are only relative to the chart in the narthex that represents the donations since the completion of the patio/labyrinth in June and not the total donations. We have actually collected \$11,580.00 for the labyrinth construction.

So, we have **\$2,290.00 to go** before next June when we committed to repay the money we borrowed from our Pearson fund so we could complete the project. Any additional appreciation or memorial gifts will be greatly appreciated. *Jim Neal*



Mark the Date – The Bishop is coming to add his blessings to the labyrinth and help us burn the mortgage. He will be arriving on **Tuesday November 23rd** and will be with us between 5 to 8 PM. We are planning a grand celebration, and we hope everyone can be a part of it.



Memorial Service for Perry: "A Job Well Done!"



A big Thank you; from the bottom of my heart, for all the hard work put into making Perry's Memorial such a success. Not only was it perfectly carried out by all involved; from Acolyte to the 'Ladies of the Kitchen', and even the weather cooperated. I can't name all those involved, and won't try as I don't want to miss anyone. Just know that however you may have contributed, YOU made it possible. This is a church of, 'we can and will do this'.

I've received so many lovely comments from friends, relatives, and strangers regarding how loving our St. Hugh congregation is. We are truly a community of love and caring. And I thank you many times over, not only for myself but from all the Baunsgard family too.

*Peace, love, hope and joy,
Brenda Baunsgard*



Spiritual Discernment is a prayerful, informed, and intentional effort to distinguish God's voice from other voices that influence us. It is the primary method of decision making for St. Hugh

Discernment is:

- † our effort to tap into the flow of the divine wisdom (pg 5)
- † a prayerful, informed and intentional attempt to sort through the other voices present in the a given time and place, in the spirit of the nation, in the spirit of the times, the spirit of .other voices that speak to us, our parents, friends, or voices of urgency and fear. (pg 6)
- † **not** problem solving. (pg 7, 16)
- † is more than prayer asking God to guide us in rational consideration of matters.
- † a mode of prayer that involves opening our entire selves to the working of the Holy Spirit.
- † the call that beckons us to be still and listen with the ear of the heart.
- † central to doing God's work.
- † coming together with open hearts and open minds seeking God's wisdom around important community issues.
- † is grounded in a conviction that the Holy Spirit is an active presence and when in a group is the leading party in the proceedings. (pg 8)
- † **not** an exercise in persuasion, efficient, certain, or time sensitive. (pg 12)
- † attentive listening, (listening with our eyes, as well as our ears, and with our feelings, our intuition, and imagination. (pg 13)
- † creative, speaks through art, music, dreams , visions , people and events. (pg 14, 24)
- † listening to the whole group as well as the individuals. (pg 25
- † **not** voting or Robert's Rules of Order,
- † subject to human limitations. (pg 30)
- † **never** complete .

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Submitted by Christie Logan



Luncheon on the Labyrinth

On September 16th, a gourmet luncheon was served to eight ladies in the Narthex of our church, where they could look out at the new Labyrinth. This luncheon was provided to the winner of the Silent Auction item at our Patio Sale, and she was our own Paddy Gilson. Paddy invited her 7 best friends, including one of her daughters. The table was beautifully set in a French provincial theme of Yellow and blue, highlighted with a yellow daisy centerpiece designed by Wilma. Soft music played as they enjoyed individual courses - beginning with a choice of Champagne or an elegant non-alcoholic punch and a variety of Appetizers. This was followed by Tomato bisque soup, Fococcia bread, Crab Salad Supreme, followed by Key Lime Pie and coffee. The serving staff properly wore black and whites. The menu was planned by, made and served by Garby Elmore, Wilma Neal, Linda Niles, Brenda Baungard, and JoAnna Meyer. The Auction bid which won this event, went to and was gratefully received by the Labyrinth Fund of St. Hugh





Ardele, Bill McCoy, Colleen T., Curt, David, Don & Ginny, Dorothy Johnson, Gina, Gail Brady, Gordon, Lynch, Gretchen, Jinx, Joseph L. & family, Loren, Lou

Hursley, Lucille, Mandy, Margaret B., Mary F., Matthew Thornhill, Mo, Natalie, Niles & Karen Schomburg, Patricia, Rupe & Fran B., Scott, Shea, Sheri Lamar, Tami Wall,

the people of Haiti, Chile, & Pakistan
those who have died

Arlene Curtis, Perry Baunsgard, Those who sacrificed their lives in service to their country

those who mourn

Don Curtis & Family, Brenda & Family, Families of Servicemen & Women

those in service to our Country

Chris, Gary, Ian Larson, Jed, Nick, Richard, Tony Johnson, Justin Risko, Zach Riddle, Malcolm McDonald



Please let us know of any birthdays we missed or listed incorrectly. Thank you!

October Lectionary Readings

October 3, 19th Sunday after Pentecost: Lamentations 1:1-6, Psalm 137, 2 Timothy 1:1-14, Luke 17:5-10

October 10, 20th Sunday After Pentecost: Jeremiah 29:1,4-7, Psalm 66:1-11, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, +Luke 17:11-19

October 17, 21st Sunday after Pentecost: Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18:1-8

October 24, 22nd Sunday after Pentecost: Joel 2:23-32, Psalm 65, 2 Timothy 4:6-18, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14

October 31, 23rd Sunday after Pentecost: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4, Psalm 119:137-144, 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12, Luke 19:1-10



Barry Betsinger	10-1
Linda Niles	10-2
Reilly Mannery	10-3
Maureen Baldwin	10-9
Jennifer Pratt	10-11
Cheryl Loddo	10-14
Robin Moore	10-14
Amanda Rhoads	10-15
Ginny Green	10-21
Christie Logan	10-30



OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p>Blessing of the Animals</p>			 <p>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Wed. & Thurs. 10-2</p>		<p>1</p> <p>TCM retreat here @ St. Hugh</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Palestinian Children Youth/Food Bank</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Circle of Friends Church office open 10-2</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Alzheimer's Support Group 10:00</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Church office closed</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10</p>  <p>Stewardship Sunday</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>ECW COLUMBUS DAY</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p>  <p>HEALING SERVICE</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>  <p>Newsletter DEADLINE</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Holiday Bazaar 9-3</p>
<p>24</p>  <p>Peace</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Diocesan Convention</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>31</p>  <p>Halloween</p>						

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October Schedule

	Presider	Preacher	Deacon	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Guild	Flowers	Coffee Hour	Lectors
October 3	Christie	Christie	Sylvia			Brenda	Dick, Cindy, JoAnna	Bill Smith Brenda
October 10	Jim	MaryEllen	Sylvia			Cheryl		Cheryl L. Barbara B.
October 17	Christie	Jim	Sylvia			Peters	Ginny G.	Barry Vicki
October 24	Jim	Robin	Sylvia					Brooke John C.
October 31	Jim	Kim M.	Sylvia				Mary & Kim	Sunny Hazel