



# ST. HUGH'S NEWS & VIEWS

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## *A Letter From New Mexico, from Christie*

Dear Friends and St Hugh family,

I'm writing to you from Santa Fe, New Mexico where Garby and I are spending Holy Week this year. Many of you know I will be beginning a Sabbatical time the third week of May that will last through the second week in September. This trip is a sort of precursor to that and a planning time.

Some have indicated concern about this and have asked me if I will be coming back. Please believe me when I say that this is a **good** thing and I will most definitely be returning.

The concept of sabbatical is the biblically based provision for clergy and teachers for restoration and renewal which goes back to early times of farming. When a farmer's field was depleted it was given a "sabbatical." After six years of planting and harvesting, it was left alone for a year or so in order that the nutrients could build back up in it. When clergy, are feeling depleted, they are also encouraged to take a sabbatical time – a time apart for recovery of spiritual energies.

It is a time away from normal routines, a time to immerse oneself in a different environment, and a chance to look at one's life from a different perspective. A time to slow down and listen to what one's heart and spirit are trying to tell them; a time for inner contemplation, rest and renewal, that enables the person to come back to their life's work more energized and ready to go on from a deeper and more open place. In his book, *Synchronicity, The Inner Path of Leadership*, Joseph Jaworski, writes that a sabbatical allows for new perspective, spiritual renewal, rest, education, and a renewed passion and vision, allowing for a clearer sense of mission and energy.

This is what I am looking for and expecting from this time of sabbatical. My spirit is a bit weary and I feel there are some holes in it that need rest and healing. I had a conversation last week with our very wise and wonderful Virginia Thompson. Her question, "what are you going to do with your sabbatical?" Her amazing ability to listen helped me begin to figure that out. When I told her I would be writing this article, she told me to just tell you what I told her.

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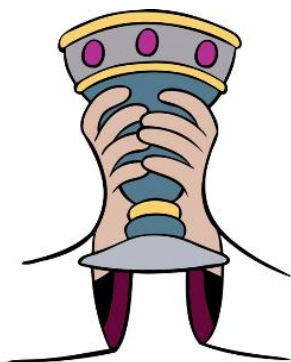
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I told Virginia that my intention was to spend some time finding God outside the structure and busyness of the church: in nature, art, music and poetry. I want to explore God in the world, through people of other traditions and ways of thinking about God. I hope to look at our traditions and the language we use from a deeper, progressive and contemporary perspective. There are many changes taking place in our world and in religious communities. I find this exciting and challenging. Phyllis Tickle in her book, "the Emerging Church" calls this "a major shift" in our faith traditions. I also find it hard to reconcile the resistance I see, hear and feel with this shift and the changes that are coming with it. I want to find my place in these tensions and in the way I approach ministry. John Lokosh once told me, affectionately, that I was St Hugh's heretic. I like that he saw that in me.

I've been thinking of favorite authors and theologians who have faced the challenge of heresy, who've written and spoken out at the risk of being silenced, labeled heretics, and excommunicated for their thoughts and beliefs. Teachers like Theilhard de Chardin, Matthew Fox, Meister Eckhart, Paul Tillich, Barbara Brown Taylor, Frederick Buechner, Annie Dillard, Karen Armstrong and Jesus. Desmond Tutu, Marjorie Suchocki, Phyllis Tickle and Frederica Thomsett Harris have inspired me. I plan to spend time getting reacquainted with these new and old friends who so nourish my soul.

The sabbatical will begin May 14<sup>th</sup> with a trip to Minneapolis for the annual Festival of Homiletics. There will be lots of time for reading, praying and just being at home. Other places that are calling: In July a trip to Peru, to see how another nation and people live and worship and a journey to southern California to experience the Pageant of the Masters. I'm exploring concluding my sabbatical with a silent retreat, location yet to be determined.

I know I go with your love and prayers and with all of you in my heart and prayers. I hope to return to you wiser, renewed, and refreshed. Thank you for being the wonderful, loving, learning, growing and accepting community which nourishes my life



## **Thursday Eucharist to Continue until Pentecost**

**\*\*\*No 9:30 Eucharist on Maundy Thursday April 21\*\*\***

**We have had good attendance at this quiet and reflective Eucharist Service.  
Those attending would like to continue this opportunity.**

**We will conduct the worship on Thursday mornings at 9:30 April 28 through June 9, 2011.**

**Then we will take the summer off.**

**Jim Neal**



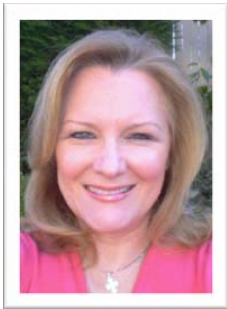
## ***Labyrinth Spiritual Retreat At St. Hugh in Allyn***

*“The great need of our time is for people to be connected to spirit...”*

*Harold Stone, Sandplay*

On June 11 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm, St. Hugh will host a Labyrinth Retreat. Friends from the community and neighboring churches are invited to join us to learn more about Labyrinths and have time to experience the new Labyrinth Above the Bay in Allyn. People everywhere around the world are taking time to walk labyrinths and finding the experience healing and life-enhancing. More than a spiritual quest, although it is that, the practice of walking the labyrinth can be a transformative event.

This free retreat celebrates the first anniversary of the completion of St. Hugh’s beautiful Labyrinth and the landscaping of our grounds which encourage strolling, meditation, and reflecting on spiritual experiences in your life. Free will donations will be appreciated.



Christine Merritt will facilitate the retreat and share her experience of Chartres Cathedral with slides and stories. Christine Eleanor Merritt is a certified labyrinth facilitator, spiritual director, poet and physical therapist who has led labyrinth retreats and workshops for the past ten years. She received Certification as a Labyrinth Facilitator from Veriditas at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco in 2001 and accompanied Lauren Artress and Dean Alan Jones on a pilgrimage to Chartres, France during Pentecost week 2003.

Coffee and pastries will be served at 9:30 with the retreat beginning at 10:00. Please bring a sack lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided. A lovely, picture-filled journal with poems, quotes from various faith traditions, and space for taking notes or writing your own reflections will be available for purchase. The complete journal costs \$30 and the abridged version \$15. This makes a nice memento of the event or gift for someone who is not able to attend.

Invite your friends to join you at this mid-day pilgrimage on June 11 and return to reap the benefits of walking the labyrinth again and again.

For more information and to register, please contact Jim Neal at [revjimneal@gmail.com](mailto:revjimneal@gmail.com) or 360-426-7320.

## March Financials

**Income: \$5430.00**

**Expense: \$7097.40**

*We give thanks for the many ways God so richly blesses our St Hugh family and all who are assisted through our outreach programs. We are blessed in so many ways through the grace, gratitude and gifts of all who are a part of this praying, sharing and worshipping community.*

*Thanks be to God. Amen.*

Our 'retired' priest, Robin Moore, will be sharing sacramental ministries with Jim Neal while Christie is on sabbatical and vacation.



*Margaret Barnard Hat Sunday  
At St. Hugh*



Dear Best Friends,

A Million Thanks for making my birthday so special. Thanks for the cards, for your love, and to the ECW for that fabulous basket of seeds and the chocolate bunnies! The seeds will be shared with all our gardeners - the chocolate - well don't expect any bites! Christie and I are already enjoying them! Which reminds me of a chocolate bunny story. I hope most of you got to meet my "kids" - well, many years ago when Rita was 12 or so, and the rest stair-stepped under her, my mother had an Easter party complete with Easter egg hunt. Instead of using real eggs, she stuffed money or jelly beans into plastic eggs. She also invited the other grandparents to the party, and they came with more eggs stuffed with money and an Easter basket with a chocolate bunny. The results of the day went like this as reported by Chris, then 5: "Rita got an egg with \$5, Kathy and Therese got eggs with \$3, Ann found the golden egg with \$10 and me? well all I got were some jelly beans and a \*\*!! d\*! chocolate rabblit!". Needless to say the Easter bunny found Chris' piggy bank too. Unlike Chris however, we love the chocolate bunnies and love each and every one of you. The sun is shining here in Santa Fe, and we are about to go out and explore the town. Whenever I'm feeling the least bit blue, I'm going to take out those cards and revel in all your good thoughts and love.

Peace and hugs and a gazillion thanks,

Garby (see pictures coming up on another page)

**Our Diocese of Olympia**  
**invites us to support the Great 50 Days of Easter Campaign**  
**Life Support for St. Vincent's Center for Handicapped Children**

Prior to the January 2010 earthquake, St. Vincent's Center of the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti served approximately 350 children with special needs, including hearing & sight impaired. The facility housed classrooms; general, dental, eye and audiology clinics; surgery and recovery rooms; a pharmacy; a prosthetic and orthotic workshop kitchen; cafeteria; dormitories, administrative offices; and guest quarters. After the earthquake 10 people were dead and all that was left was rubble and three rooms which today serve as a dormitory for students and makeshift clinic.

While waiting to rebuild, this facility continues to serve 180 children in need. As a result of the earthquake some essential funding was lost. Fr. Sadoni Leon, director of St. Vincent's, has requested financial help to purchase the \$4000 of food needed monthly to provide at least 2 meals a day for the children.

The Diocese of Olympia's Life Support for St. Vincent's Easter campaign is responding to that need. Each person in our diocese is asked to set aside 20 cents per day for St. Vincent's and contribute the resulting \$10 at a diocesan wide ingathering the Sunday of Pentecost, June 12. You can make additional donations through the diocesan website at Make a Gift – St. Vincent's or send a check to the Diocese of Olympia with the memo St. Vincent's.

Pick up a book mark in the narthex today to remind yourself about St. Vincent's children and to put your 20 cents in your saving place at home. Don't worry – you will be reminded about this project to bring your savings on Pentecost Sunday.

*"Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs" John 21: 15*



**Date Set for Arbor Blessing**

Sunday, May 15th, directly following the worship service, there will be a special blessing of the arbor on the hillside. The arbor is a gift to the St. Hugh Family from funds collected in the Paul Meyer Memorial Fund. The designing and construction of the Arbor was by local craftsman and friend of the church, George Riddell. The labor donated to set in the steps, safety railing, and nearby landscaping was done over the winter by Jeff Leedy, Jim Neal, and Roy Ferguson.

When sitting in the arbor, absorbing the spiritual solitude it offers, be sure to note the several hand carvings - the Peace Dove, the Cross, the words: AT PEACE, which are also on Paul's headstone, and the Celtic symbols along the inside. JoAnna's hope is that this special place will be used and enjoyed often.

A Potluck Lunch will replace our usual Coffee Hour on this date. Please bring salads, hot dishes, anything you wish! If a sunny day, we will sit outside on the patio....members of Paul's family - and others - have been invited to join us.

*Harstine Island Community Choir Presents*

# *Heart Beats!*

*May 20th, Friday, 7:00,  
United Methodist Church, Shelton*

*May 21st, Saturday, 3:00,  
St. Hugh Episcopal, Alllyn*

*May 22nd, Sunday, 3:00,  
Harstine Community Hall*

*Featuring:*

*Songs from musicals like*

*South Pacific e Camelot e Ain't Misbehavin'*

*Favorite tunes like*

*Danny Boy e Barl'ny Ellen e Kiss the Girl*

*Composers like*

*Brahms e Shaw e Lauridsen and Stroepe*

*Commissioned Work*

*'On This Night'*

*Lyrics and Music by Patrick Butler*

*Arrangement by Harry Richardson*

*Donations accepted*

# Happy Birthday Garby!



**ECW** met for its regular meeting on April 12, 2011, at 10:30

Brooke and Sunny introduced Carol Armstrong of North Mason County Resource who presented a brief talk on what the organization does, including feeding the hungry. The organization's mission is to provide space for other agencies to serve North Mason residents, as well as to support other nonprofits as a clearinghouse of sorts, helping identify gaps in local services and ways to fill them. The 1,800-square-foot office, located in the Lincoln Plaza at 23554 NE State Route 3, includes a conference room and several workstations that nonprofit agencies share on a schedule. So far, services available include veterans' assistance (through the local post of American Legion, previously based at the chamber of commerce building); MTG Prescriptions, which helps people without or with limited medications coverage; and Turning Point domestic abuse services. (As described in the Kitsap Sun) Also, NMCR collects food at their center and delivers food to the hungry through its Neighbor-to-Neighbor Food Brigade; they are looking forward to having stations in more isolated areas. Items such as canned soup, meats, fruits and vegetables, also oatmeal and peanut butter, are needed and can be delivered to the center or left at St. Hugh on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. The center will also pick up food if you request them to do so. They are open Mon.-Thur. from 9-5 and sometimes on Saturdays. All of the people involved are volunteers. If you want to call ahead to make sure someone can receive food, call 275-3652.

### **Up-Coming events**

1. Sunny discussed the free dinner on Palm Sunday by the Coalition of Churches and several volunteered.
2. Jennifer's Retirement Party on May 1 was discussed; Sylvia will purchase salads, hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages and a cake for the event. ECW will set up on Thursday the 28 and will clean up after the party.
3. The Blessing for the Memorial Arbor will be May 15, followed by a potluck.
4. The Spring Luncheon will be held at Two Margaritas at noon on June 13. We will order off of the menu.

### **Patio-Bake Sale July 16.**

Items can be stored in Barbara's and Hazel's garages. Sunny will be the head of the cashiers and Paddy will again be in charge of the Silent Auction. George Riddle has offered to make flower boxes for sale. There will be no raffle this year, otherwise all items will be the same as last year.

Carol Kennedy was thanked for the wonderful sandwiches and cookies for lunch!

Brooke Quigley, President and Sylvia Haase, Secretary





**Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop's  
2011 Easter Message:  
"We give thanks for the  
Resurrection, and we become part of  
Jesus' ongoing work, as we become  
aware of its power in our own lives."**

The Resurrection must be understood in significantly different images and metaphors in the southern hemisphere, when Easter always arrives in the transition from summer to winter. Even as a hard, hard winter lingers on in northern climes, with unaccustomed April snow in many places, we yearn for the new life we know is waiting around the corner. As Christians, we're meant to have the same hunger for the new creation emerging all around us.

We can see the broken places of our world either as complete and utter disaster, or as seedbeds - graves, even - in which God is doing a new thing. The situation in Haiti is dire, yet day by day and person by person hope lightens and leavens. Plans are emerging for civic reconstruction in Port-au-Prince that would bless the nation with pride in its heritage and more effective government. The Episcopal Church is a partner in those possibilities, as the vision for a rebuilt cathedral takes form. The graves are becoming gardens, at Cathédrale Sainte-Trinité and Collège St. Pierre. New and more life-giving relationships are emerging between development ministries and the lives of the people. Resurrection is happening in many places, even if one must

search for it, like looking for the first buds on the trees as ice and snow give way to the warmth of spring.

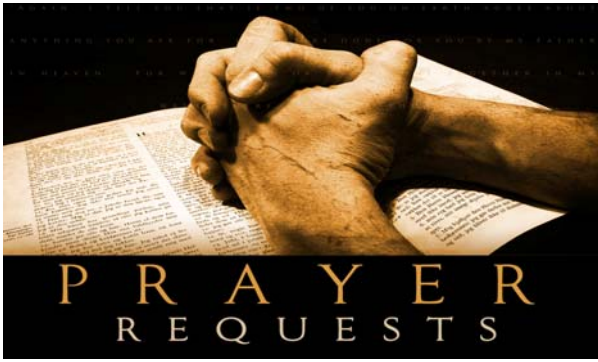
The aftermath of earthquake and tsunami in Japan continues to look a great deal like winter, and the trials and failures at Daiichi Fukushima currently resonate more with apocalypse than Easter. Yet across northeastern Japan the work of the faithful is feeding senior citizens, ministering to displaced persons in shelters, and prompting challenging questions about social priorities, energy use, and consumerist lifestyles.

The gift of Easter insists that human beings are capable of divine relationship, for as Athanasius put it, "God became human that human beings might become divine." The life, death, passion, and resurrection of Jesus are the cosmic insistence that nothing can separate us from the divine passion for humanity. Easter people are imprinted with the assurance that God is always working some new grace of creation out of death and destruction.

For most of us the dying is not cosmic. It may start with a small willingness to set aside self, or a new opportunity for grafting onto a greater whole. Or it may involve lowering the barriers between self and other to become more readily aware of our fundamental oneness, our common heritage as offspring of the Holy One. If we are to be followers of Jesus, we share the work he did on our behalf. We give thanks for the Resurrection, and we become part of Jesus' ongoing work, as we become aware of its power in our own lives.

May your Eastertide be filled with the grace of new life. Go, discover, and BE resurrection for the world around you.

The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori  
Presiding Bishop and Primate  
The Episcopal Church



Wes, Denise, Rosie, Paddy, Chris,  
Christina  
Cynthia & Bob, Jaylynn & Mari  
Tami  
the people of Japan  
All the people of the world

**those who have died**

Doree Thompson, Fred Gazabat

**those who mourn**

Jesse, Jim & Family

**those in service to our Country**

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

**Prayer List Change**

Names requested to be shown in the Prayer List will be shown for 30 days, then removed. They may be resubmitted for an additional 30 days.

Thank you

May Lectionary Readings	
<b>May 1 , 2nd Sunday of Easter:</b>	Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31
<b>May 8, 3rd Sunday of Easter:</b>	Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17, 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35
<b>May 15, 4th Sunday of Easter:</b>	Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10
<b>May 22, 5th Sunday of Easter:</b>	Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14
<b>May 29, 6th Sunday of Easter:</b>	Acts 17:22-31, Psalm 66:8-20, 1 Peter 3:13-22, John 17:1-11



Barbara Bertsch	5-8
Arlene Pritchard	5-16
Juliana Paterson	5-24
Dick Swanson	5-28
Paddy Gilson	5-31

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



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Palestinian Children Youth/Food Bank retirement celebration for Jennifer	2	3 2000 Circle 3:30  2010 Class 7:00	4 10:00 Alzheimer's Support Group	5 9:30 Eucharist 10:30 Choir 10:30 Dance	6	7
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15 Peace Paul Meyer Arbor Dedication	16	17 Clergy 3:30  2010 Class 7:00	18	19 9:30 Eucharist 10:30 Choir 10:30 Dance	20	21 Harstine Island Choir Concert 3:00 
22 Healing	23	24 2010 Class 7:00	25	26 9:30 Eucharist 10:30 Choir 10:30 Dance	27	28
29	30 	31		 CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Wed. & Thurs. 10-2		

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Sunday Worship 10:00 am

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## May Schedule

	Presider	Homilist	Deacon	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Guild	Flowers	Coffee Hour	Lectors
May 1 2 Easter			Sylvia	Brenda Kim	Hazel Donna	Carole B.	Robin & Dick	Kim M. JoAnna M.
May 8 3 Easter			Sylvia	Barry Vicki	Ginny W. Brooke	Betty L.	Carol R. Barbara B.	Helen P. Wes P.
May 15 4 Easter			Sylvia	Karen Hazel	Ginny G. Cheryl		Pot Luck	Bill S. Virginia T.
May 22 5 Easter			Sylvia	John Kim	Helen Barbara		Dick, Cindy & JoAnna	Mabel M. Sheri S.
May 29 6 Easter			Sylvia	Hazel Karen	Ginny W. Donna	Neal	Pay Y.	Ginny W. Cheryl L.