



October 2018



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

# The Tartan

## A Message to the Parish

by Fr. Martin Yabroff



Dear Friends,

Please join me in prayer (A General Thanksgiving, BCP p. 836):

*Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.*

*We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.*

*We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.*

*We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.*

*Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.*

*Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.*

As we look ahead to October at St. Andrew's, I am particularly drawn to the prayer "We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us." Our Celtic Faire expresses the best of our congregation – serving together while deepening relationships, welcoming visitors to share the Spirit of Christ, and raising funds to support our many ministries. We will work hard, and as in the past we will find satisfaction and delight through all our efforts.

This Fall we are exploring "The Way of Love". These seven practices for following Jesus: to turn, learn, pray, worship, bless, go and rest, all bring out our best efforts and satisfy our souls. Incorporating them into our daily and weekly lives will help us experience – to open ourselves to – God's healing and power and love through us to this world. They are ways for us to realize God's blessings and to bless others.

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Our study of the Reclaiming Jesus proclamation ([www.reclaimingjesus.org](http://www.reclaimingjesus.org)), with three other churches (Methodist, Lutheran and U.C.C.), is going very well. See our website for class locations each Monday evening at 7 pm through November 5.

Also this month we have an organ concert (Oct. 14) and the Blessing of the Animals (Oct. 7), youth ministry, Food Bank, Sunday worship and more.

We have much for which we can be thankful, in our lives and in this Church. And that includes the love and power of God on which we can rely when we experience "disappointments and failures". Pray with me again: *Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.*

Yours in Christ,  
Martin

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### **Celtic Spirituality Seminar – Sunday, October 21, 3:30 pm**



*From Dr. Kirk Webb, who will lead our discussion at Celtic Faire:*

I'm honored to be joining you for your Celtic Faire. Our time together will be an exploration of the spiritual dimensions of the dialogue between the human soul and the glory of Nature. The ancient and modern Celtic Christian perspective locates us in an old and refreshingly new perspective of our human place amongst all "things". Modern Western culture seems intent upon seeing Nature as something to be used or conquered, whereas many older religious perspectives and cultures have held that Nature and the Human Soul are an equal and life-giving interplay of God's revelation in and through the material world. We will explore the idea of Self as it is located in Spirit and how we reside in the sacred beauty of the land.

The Celtic Christian tradition has been a rich part of my personal spiritual growth and experience for quite some time. Having grown up in the Celtic-influenced southern Appalachian culture, I have always been shaped by this wonderfully rich perspective on life, relationships, community, artistic expression, and faith. Numerous trips to Ireland and Scotland as well as extensive study in the Celtic perspective have provided pilgrimage experience and continually growing understanding of the Celtic ways of approaching personal relationship with God and our responsibility toward one another and all of Creation. My theological beliefs and understanding of human experience were developed through a Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Seminary as well as counseling and Ph.D. degrees in clinical psychology. Additionally, I'm honored to direct the work of The Celtic Center which offers spiritual growth opportunities and spiritual direction training grounded in the Christian Celtic tradition. You can find out more about The Celtic Center at [thecelticcenter.org](http://thecelticcenter.org).

Please join us for learning and discussion at The Celtic Faire. And may peace be with you all.

*The seminar is free – invite your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors!*

## St. Andrew's New Concert Series begins October 14

— by Don Ramage

On Sunday, October 14, at 3:00 pm, Barbara Bruns, organist and choirmaster of Christ Church, Andover, Massachusetts, plays the first of this new season of St. Andrew's organ concerts.

A common thread joining three performers in this season, and also our own organist, Naomi Shiga, is that they are former students of Yuko Hayashi, who passed away last year. This season of concerts is dedicated to their beloved mentor and teacher. Leaving her native Japan for the United States, Ms. Hayashi built a career as an organist and professor whose reach as performer, teacher, and force behind the installation of many organs, extends over several continents. This musical reach also extended to our area, as Ms. Hayashi was a friend of local composer and organist David Dahl, who is often in attendance at St. Andrew concerts. In recognition of this tie, Ms. Bruns will perform a recent piece by David Dahl, *Partita on "Christe Sanctorum."*

Ms. Bruns will also bring a bit of New England to us through the music of two modern New England composers, Daniel Pinkham, and James Woodman. Both composers draw on the structures of early classical music combined with distinctive tonal and harmonic colors.

The concert program promises spiritual heights as well as this-worldly verve, with pieces such as Dahl's *Fuga Angelorum*, honoring archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, and Woodman's *An Extravagance of Toccatas, II. pro Organo aethereo (Italian mystical Elevation toccata style)*, ending with *Toccatas III, pro Organo flagrans* ("Knuckle-busting barn-burner" style).

I'm sure that you want to attend just to find out what a "knuckle-busting-barn-burner" style toccata sounds like. And, if that weren't enough, with our St. Andrews signature hospitality, a fall-themed reception follows the concert. Many thanks to the Hoffmans and other parishioners who generously help with receptions, and to parishioners offering financial support.

Please join us on Oct. 14<sup>h</sup>, and also invite people you know.

## ***Celtic Faire is Coming***—by Liz Herriges



Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Celtic Faire is coming this month, on Saturday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Please invite your friends and family to join us for Saturday's events including excellent entertainment on both our upstairs and downstairs stages. You can invite them for high tea in the Ada Webb room or to enjoy Shepherd's Pie in the lunch shoppe. Children's activities are always popular; people return year after year to purchase baked goods in the Bake Shoppe, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Time Around Jewelry shop has some amazing finds! Sunday's activities include our church service with bagpipes & a clan call, our Celtic Spirituality seminar, and the amazing lamb dinner and auction.

It wouldn't be possible to put on this event without an amazing crew of St. Andrew's members. Please consider what team you might want to join – it's a great way to get to know people! Volunteers are needed for set-up & clean-up teams, baking teams, tea room servers, lunch shoppe helpers, and so much more. Watch for an opportunity to sign up in the Ada Webb Room to join a team and be a part of the Celtic Faire. For more information, please contact Liz Herriges.

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## ***Second Time Around Jewelry Store***—by Linda Brice



### ***Jewelry always fits!***

Thank you to those who have already donated to the Second Time Around Jewelry store. There is still time to donate—you can bring your donation to the church office or give me a call and I can arrange to pick it up. We have received many new items so be sure and stop by to shop during the Celtic Faire.

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## ***Celtic Faire Dinner and Auction***—by Kristina Younger, Auction Chair

Join us for the annual Sunday evening Celtic dinner and auction, October 21<sup>st</sup> which will feature a unique and delicious Scots-themed meal and a fun auction that provides the church with funds to sustain our mission. Items range in price from \$1 to \$1,000.

Currently, we are busy seeking the donation of items. A few great items have already been donated, but we need more. Please consider donating something. Popular items have been: Food and wine; homemade items; Services (photography); Baskets (wine, coffee, etc.); Experiences (dinners, wine tasting, etc.) Donate forms are available in the Ada Webb room.

Mòran taing (Celtic for 'Thank you very much'),  
Kristina Younger, Celtic Faire 2018, Auction Chair



*Tickets are for sale for the dinner in October after the 8 am and 10am services or drop by the church during office hours.*

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## **Ordinary Time**—*The Rev. Meghan Mullarkey*

In September, I went to my father's retirement party in DC. It was such an honor to be at this event and see so many of the people whose lives my dad has touched in his career. It was also my first trip in a long time without Cascade. And I was really looking forward to it. Cascade is a year and a half and as adorable and fun as this age it is constant and sometimes unrelenting. So four full days on my own sounded like dare I say, Christmas. But after the novelty of having time and space to myself wore off I started to remember that life without a child is not all bliss, relaxation and fun, but there are times of boredom. I was reminded of the importance of Ordinary Time. Life is not meant to be constantly entertaining or constantly full. But whether by myself or with Cascade I can find peace and meaning in the times in-between the big events, like celebrating my dad's retirement, in-between the important and meaningful church seasons that will soon be upon us. This time of Ordinary Time is not to be hurried, but a time to embrace the mundane and the boring and find God there as well.

Ordinary Time is when we remember that God shows up in the simplicity of our everyday lives - the laundry that needs to be done, the food that is waiting to be cooked, and the quick grocery run we can't seem to find time to make. God is present at the end of the day when I finally decide to stop the chores and sit down and my dog eagerly jumps up to finally snuggle, wondering what took me so long. Or when my daughter wakes up in the morning and I want 30 more minutes of sleep, but when I go into her room she is jumping up and down in her crib yelling mama happily. God is in these ordinary moments ready to bless, ready to infuse his grace and his love and ready for us to open our eyes to the everyday miracles that make up our lives.

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## **Blessing of the Animals**—*by Cyndi Wolfer, RN, MSN, Parish Nurse*

The bond between humans and animals positively influences the health and well-being of both. Therapy animals can assist us in many different ways. In addition, pets improve the quality of life for their owners. People with pets exercise more, feel less lonely, less worried, and have less pain and anxiety. Pets also help us feel needed as we need to care for them. Join us Oct 7<sup>th</sup> as we bless our pets at St Andrew's.



## ***Sunday School for ages 3-7—by Lilith Taschner***

Over the last year, a new Sunday School class started downstairs for ages 3-7 or so. The youth group helped clean up and organize the room, and our church bought a few supplies like the wooden dolls used to help share the message each week. It's a fun class with lots of energetic kiddos who appreciate acting out stories, making music, and plenty of free-play time as they finish art projects or the lesson.

We could still use a little help finishing the room and making it cheerful and usefully equipped, so I started a Wish List on Amazon.com. If anyone is willing to purchase and donate any of the manipulatives, music, or books on the list, we would be glad of your support.

To view the list, click on "Account and Lists", then "find a list" under the drop-down menu. Under search, type in "St. Andrew's Sunday School (Tacoma)" and it should come right up. If you have trouble accessing it, you can email me and I can send you direct links to the products as well.

In addition, we could use the following assistance:

Help securing a cabinet to a concrete wall, for safety

Help putting up a bulletin board, clock, and banner

Help sewing a sheet into a toy shelf cover (to keep kids and dust out until we are ready to play)

A colorful banner to hang on the wall, homemade or bought

If any of these things sounds like something you could help with, or you have questions, please let me know through the Church Office. I think our youngsters have a very special place in our church family and should be nurtured. Thanks for your support!



## **Gratitude for your support in my loss**—by Pam Rhodes

*“For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of Truth, Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye, and hide us under the shadow of your wings.” BCP*

My mom, Bobbe, lived this truth. She thought we were all the apple of her eye. And she was of course, that mom who would always shield us under the shadow of her wings! She was a lover of souls. She always carried the lamp of charity, that it would burn in us and shed its light on those around us. My mom loved everyone and she loved unconditionally and fiercely. She excused everyone for their shortcomings because she believed that every person has a back story, and none of us knows another person’s back story, so tread lightly, kindly and with patience.

Though we will miss her deeply and dearly, at 91 she admitted she had lived a good long life and was ready to go. The care and love she received from her caregivers at Harbor Place was above and beyond what we expected. What a blessing for her to stay in her little apartment under hospice care, and pass over in the little home she loved.

My gratitude also extends to all of you at St. Andrews for the many ways you have helped me to deal with this loss. So many of you have stepped into the places I had volunteered to do something—and did it for me. Father Martin was so careful to visit her everyday and keep in contact with me to make sure we were coping well. When it was time for the funeral and reception I appreciate all those who made cookies and helped to feed my family after the graveside service, and then the reception. Thanks to Virginia Gaub, Reberta Skinner, Shirley Morton, Geri Schlosser, Margo Fleshman, Eve Yabroff and the Hoffman’s. I also thank my dear friend Linda Brice, for so many small details, and stepping in wherever a hand was needed. And I’m very grateful for Mr. Ken Rhodes for everything else that went off without a hitch. Since I’m kind of a stickler for details—he knew just which details to adhere to! Such a fine quality in a husband.

My final thank you is to every one of you that send cards, messages and emails expressing your sympathies in our loss. Sometimes we forget to realize how important those cards and greetings really are; please know, they are! And to those who came to her service to support the Rhodes’ and Neil families, God bless. I know so many of you barely knew her, but the show of support for Ken and I was so deeply appreciated. God’s blessings to each of you.





Izumi Shiga, son of our organist Naomi, is fascinated with crosses. He loves to carry one of them down the aisle before or after Sunday services. Fr. Ed watched Izumi struggling to carry a big cross and decided to make a special one just for Izumi. As you can see from the pictures, both Izumi and Fr. Ed are delighted with the new cross. Someday Izumi will be an acolyte, but he needs to grow just a bit more!



**Join us for the  
11<sup>th</sup> Annual Celtic Faire  
at  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
Saturday, October 20  
10 am - 4 pm**

Vendors, Celtic Dancers & Music,  
High Tea, Children's Games,  
Lunch Shoppe, Bake Shoppe

***Sunday, October 21***

St. Andrew's Day Celebration  
Worship Services at 8 am & 10 am  
with bagpipes & Kirking of the Tartans

Celtic Spirituality Discussion  
Led by Kirk Webb  
([kirkwebb.wordpress.com](http://kirkwebb.wordpress.com))  
at 3:30 pm

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 1pm Bible Study  7pm Adult Ed Class  7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	2 1:30am AA  7pm Celtic Faire Meeting  7:45pm AA	3 Noon Eucharist	4     7pm Choir	5	6 7am SA
7 8/10 Holy Eucharist  Blessing of the Animals  11:15am Youth Group  11:15am Community Outreach	8  NO Bible Study  7pm Adult Ed Class  7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	9 1:30am AA    7:45pm AA	10 Noon Eucharist	11     7pm Glory and Praise Choir	12  10am Weaver's Guild	13 7am SA  10am-Noon Rainier Region Pre-Convention Meeting at Christ Church, Tacoma
14 8/10 Holy Eucharist  8:45-9:45am Parish Nurse on Duty  3pm Organ Concert	15  1pm Bible Study  7pm Adult Ed Class  7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	16 10:30am AA  7pm Vestry  7:45pm AA	17 Noon Eucharist    3-6pm Days for Girls	18     7pm Choir	19  Celtic Faire set-up	20 7am SA  10am-4pm Celtic Faire
21 8/10 Holy Eucharist  3:30pm Spirituality Workshop  5pm Celtic Dinner and Auction	22  1pm Bible Study  7pm Adult Ed Class  7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	23 10:30am AA    7:45pm AA	24 Noon Eucharist	25     7pm Choir	26    Diocesan Convention	27 7am SA Diocesan Convention
28 8/10 Holy Eucharist	29 1pm Bible Study  7pm Adult Ed Class  7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	30 10:30am AA    7:45pm AA	31 Noon Eucharist   5-7pm Jackson St. Food Bank  5-7:15pm Youth Group			

## October Birthdays

- 1 Bill Abbott
- 2 Skip Broadhead
- 4 Sue Lester  
Greg Gaub
- 8 Eve Yabroff
- 9 Ingrid Gaub
- 15 Jeffrey Boyce  
Chuck Bonet  
Matthew Moravec
- 16 Stan Liebenberg
- 17 Susan Rowe  
Naomi Gomez  
Courtney Rainer
- 20 Art Anderson  
Jim Ball
- 21 Ann Morgan
- 23 Sarah Yabroff
- 24 Brian Burdick  
Geri Schlosser
- 25 Berna Moody
- 27 Sean Moody
- 29 Halley Egnew

## October Anniversaries

10-29 Chuck and Terry Bonet



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*Please contact the Church Office  
for details*

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Confirming her e-mail

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**Nancy Gregory**—new address

**Virginia Rothenberg**—new address  
At Laurel House, Narrows Glen, Tacoma

**Holli and Benner Greer**—new address

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