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n Sunday, June 5th we celebrated Pentecost or Whit Sunday as it is known in other parts of the Anglican Communion. We also celebrate the promised arrival of God's Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. It was a wonderful day of rejoicing for the disciples as it is for us. Jesus as promised did not leave us comfortless as some feared. It must be noted that God's Holy Spirit has always been with us, so we celebrate and acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit. In John's gospel, chapter 14:15-17, Jesus told his disciples as he tells us:

15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

Jesus is our first advocate, the Holy Spirit is the other. Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit is our advocate, who will teach us and remind us of everything that Jesus has told us. The Holy Spirit is also our comforter who will teach us about truth. We have the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in everything that we do. So, we acknowledge the Holy Spirit and pray for help in fulfilling our promise in our lives.

Also, as it is the birthday of the church, I ask: how are we as a church allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us into truth and being the Body of Christ in the world? I pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire us and shake us out of the lethargy and fear that keeps us from truly being the Body of Christ. Apathy and fear are not of God, so we need to allow the Holy Spirit to give us the courage to love, to empathize, to connect and to respond to the need and suffering in our families and communities. So, I also ask: what role does the Holy Spirit play in your life? As you saying "yes" to the Holy Spirit's call to seek and serve in God's Kingdom? I pray so.

God bless you.

Rev. Ernestein &

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Special Dates & Events

June 5 (Sun.)	Whitsunday: The Day of Pentecost — wear red! Book discussion after service
June 11 (Sat.)	1:00 p.m. Frances Osborne Memorial Service
June 12 (Sun.)	Trinity Sunday; 4:00 p.m. Taizé service begins (this will be announced monthly)
June 14 (Tu.)	Flag Day
June 19 (Sun.)	Juneteenth; Father's Day; 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite II; Rev. Ernestein out
June 21 (Tu.)	First Day of Summer; 5:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting; Rev. Ernestein out
June 24 (Th.)	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
June 28 (Tu.)	5:30 p.m. Social Justice Committee
June 29 (Wed.)	The Apostles St. Peter & St. Paul

Regularly Scheduled: Daughters of the King — 6:30 p.m. 2nd and 4th Mon.

All subject to change. Men's Breakfast at Herb's — 8:30 a.m. 1st and 3rd Wed. @ Herb's

Gardening Angels — 10-noon 1st Sat. unless otherwise noted

Needle & Thread — 9:00 a.m. every Mon. Vestry — 5:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday

Social Justice Committee — 4:00 p.m. 4th Tues.

Services: 12:15 p.m. Wednesday — Mid-week Holy Eucharist

Holy Eucharist, Rite II — 9:00 a.m. every Sunday

Social Justice Committee Report

The Social Justice Committee this past month continued to organize our church's weekly donations to the Ministry in the Park. As previously noted in Luke's Log, we have effectively responded to Bishop Diana's request that all churches develop a Land Acknowledgment that is shared at each service. None of us wish the Land Acknowledgment to become simply performative. We invite you to participate in educational activities that will inform us about the culture and history of the people who were the original caretakers of this land. Nik Grimsby is facilitating a book group for the next few Sundays and you are still able to join us as we read "Braiding Sweetgrass" by Robin Wall Kimmerer. A list of additional books on the Indigenous people of Oregon is available on our website and Facebook Page and will be posted on the Church Bulletin Board. Diana Robertson will be designing an informational poster on the local tribes that will eventually be available in the church for your review.

Information on LGBT-Q community resources has been posted in the church hall. We have also invited Gabrielle Johnson from the **Grants Pass Remembrance Project: From Sundown to Sunrise** to address our church community. Gabrielle will discuss the project and how we can get involved and support the work of the project. The Social Justice committee is also working on a booklist on racial justice issues that they will make available once completed.

Thank you, Your Social Justice Committee

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Frankie, Stan, Bob & Myrna, Michael, Arvelle, Nora, Laura, people and their families & friends affected by recent mass shootings

Rest in Peace: Frances Osborne, victims of the war in Ukraine, those lost in recent mass shootings



3	Pam Boston
15	Joe Hungate
16	Joan Dougherty
27	Terry Calvert

If your name is not on the birthday list, please contact the parish office to be added.

Sr. Warden's Report

ear St. Luke's Family,

Welcome to Meteorological Summer.

As we enter season of vacations and visitors, I pray for your safe enjoyment and enrichment. And for those of us doing "staycations" this summer, I look forward to seeing you. Please bring your visitors. It gives us all joy to share worship with them.

There are opportunities available to train as a LEM and/or Lector. Please let the Church Office know if you are interested. Also, we are still looking for some new Ushers. Please don't hesitate to try it. Margaret will be delighted to show you what to do.

The Rummage Sale was a success in every way. A bit over \$2,400.00 was raised, many useful objects went to new homes, and a good time was had by all. We are grateful to all who worked on the sale; especially Laurel, Margaret, Concetta, and Alison who organized the event and worked tirelessly to make it happen. (We also thank Scott who gave up his garage for the duration.)

A reminder: On June 11th we celebrate the life of our beloved Frances Osborne. Please keep Frances and her loved ones in your prayers.

Grace & peace,

Hana

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IDENTITY STATEMENT FOR ST. LUKE'S

Individuals and families, joined together in the Body of Christ. We are a family united by worship, discovering God's purpose in our lives and using our gifts in service to him, to one another, and to the world. We are committed to be welcoming and open to all, without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, age, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, disability or genetic information.

We are the people of God and a community seeking to live out the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We seek to love God and our neighbors as we love ourselves. We want to build collaborative and creative partnerships with our community to truly make it the beloved community of God. We encounter God in word and sacrament, in music and prayer, and in one another.

We offer opportunities for education, spiritual growth, service, fellowship, and the giving and receiving of pastoral care.

We seek, through worship and service, to show forth in the world the healing power of Jesus's love.



ST. LUKE'S SERVICE SUNDAY MORNING*

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite II

WEDNESDAY 12:15 p.m. Mid-week Eucharist in Chapel ST. LUKE'S MISSION STATEMENT

To do God's work, we extend ourselves joyfully in Christ's name to one another, our community, and the world.

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