

ALL SAINTS' E-LETTER

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BUILDING DEDICATION

Bishop Marty joined about 45 parishioners on June 11th in celebrating the completion of All Saints' new construction. Part of the service included blessing or dedicating the church's liturgical furniture as well as the setting apart and sanctification of the new altar. All Saints' vision "that they all may be one" has been a long standing goal from many years ago when Steve Wendfeldt lead a ministry review and we first started talking about moving to one "principal service" in order to be a more welcoming church (but always allowing for the possibility of adding additional services like an early morning Rite I or evening Taize, or services such as what we currently have, an early "said" service and an evening contemplative service). Covid restrictions still require some separation and precautions, but the goal is finally within our sight. Thank you to our original Building Discernment Committee members who seriously started the process of discernment back in 2016: Barbara Grove, Bob Rayford, Heidi Sobczak, Shawn Sloan, Carl Thomas, Jerry Williams, and Bradley Wirth; thanks to the Building Committee members who took the recommendation of the Discernment Committee and the vital input of the parishioners and began to formulate a vision: Michael Moffitt, Sherry Spencer, Shawn Sloan, Carl Thomas, and Bradley Wirth; a huge thank you to our architect Shane Jacobs who took all the ideas and put them together with a multitude of variations and as well as creative problem solving along the way; and thanks to Charlie Knuth and all the Vestry members for overseeing the actual construction every step of the way and getting the project "across the finish line." This project has been in the works for many years and the biggest thank you of all goes to you, the parishioners of All Saints', who came up with this vision and supported it every step of the way. This project would not have happened without YOU!



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All Saints' Building Expansion Dedication Service - June 11, 2021



The congregation gathers outside for the start of the service



The Bishop opens the dedication service



She marks the threshold saying peace be to this house, and to all who enter here



Katie begins the procession and the congregation makes their way inside



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The Bishop says opening prayers



The Bishop blesses the baptismal font



Bradley dedicates the new legilium



Bradley blesses the lectern



Charlie reads the Gospel



Charlie delivers the homily

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The Bishop says prayers for the setting part and sanctification of the altar



The altar guild vests the newly sanctified altar table



Katie may now light the candles



The peace of the Lord be always with you

All Saints' Building Expansion Dedication Service - June 11, 2021



Charlie thanks the building committee, the vestry, and of course all the parishioners who made this expansion project possible



Carl, the chairman of the building committee, gets a hardhat until his gift arrives



Shane, our architect and a fly fisherman, gets some hand tied files from Charlie



Charlie presents Bradley with a bottle of scotch and the Bishop with a snuffle mat for her dog Gracie



Although he's unaccustomed to speechifying, the Bishop asks Bradley if he has anything he'd like to say being one of the key players who envisioned this expansion and helped the parish to undertake their successful capital campaign



Bradley and the Bishop ask everyone to stand and give Charlie a standing ovation thanking him for his part in bringing the parish's expansion project to fruition



Summer Day Camps

hosted by

All Saints' Episcopal Church



When: August 2 - 6, 2021 and August 9 - 13, 2021
(8:00 am – 4:30 pm daily)

- Campers may be dropped off between 7:30 – 9 am and should be picked up between 4:30 – 5:00 pm
- Each week of day camp concludes on Friday afternoon at 5 pm and parents are invited to an ice cream social at 4:30 pm on Friday to allow campers to share their experiences and to introduce their counselors.

What: During day camp, we explore and experience God's good gifts through stories, music, outdoor play, arts and crafts, worship, and by serving others. At day camp, campers may participate in the following activities: water games, hiking, field games, songs, drumming, arts and crafts, skits and in other games that cultivate creative expression. Your camper will join in one day of service during the week.

Where: Each day, we'll begin and end at All Saints' Episcopal Church located at 2048 Conn Road Columbia Falls, MT 59912. (Just off of Hwy 40 between Whitefish and Columbia Falls.)

Parents of campers will receive a schedule for the week.

Who: Rising 2nd – 6th graders (Older children may be able to participate as helpers, please contact Cynthia Benkelman, contact info below)

Counselors from Camp Marshall will lead each day's activities. All adults who serve at day camp undergo a criminal background check and safety training before day camp begins.



What to bring: Day campers should bring:



- a sack lunch (morning and afternoon snacks are provided)
- a water bottle
- a swimsuit and towel
- a light jacket
- a baseball cap / sun hat or sunglasses
- sunscreen

Contact: Cynthia Benkelman, All Saints' Christian Formation Minister for Children & Youth
cynthia@allsaintsmt.org (406) 261-9636

How: There is no cost to participate. If you would like to make a donation to the day camp program please contact Cynthia.

Register online at <https://campmarshalldaycamps.campbrainregistration.com/>

DAY CAMP

With day camps just around the corner, there will be opportunities for our parish to get involved. We will need snacks for each day of both weeks (Aug 2-6 and Aug 9-13) — keep an eye out for a sign up sheet. We also host the camp staff for their dinners. Parishioners have had them to their house for dinner, taken them out for dinner, and sometimes provided gift certificates for them to get dinner on their own. If you'd like to be involved, please contact Cynthia at cynthia@allsaintsmt.org

GARDENING MINISTRY

Many thanks to those who have helped us tend to the front beds. This gardening ministry will continue in July **only** on Saturday mornings from 9ish-11am due to the heat. We have a lead on a landscaper, so hope to have one start working soon. But until then, join us if you can on Saturday mornings. Please let Carl or Fr. Charlie know if you would like to help.



CANYON COMMUNITY DINNER

The Canyon Community Dinners are a collaborative effort between All Saints' Episcopal Church, Whitefish United Methodist Church, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and Columbia Falls United Methodist Church that offers food and friendship to neighbors in need that live in the communities just outside of Glacier Park. Our own Vera Smith was one of the founding members to initially get this ministry up and running. LouAnn Mohn currently heads up the effort to put together the meals and the All Saints' representative are Betsy and Steve Paugh. Free meals are served between 5:30 - 6:30 pm on the last Thursday of each month in the old Canyon Elementary School in Hungry Horse. In addition to providing a ministry of hospitality and delicious meals, other services have been made available at various times as well, including cancer screening, eye exams, handing out school supplies and clothing. Even though the CCD meals have been shut down for the past year due to COVID, some of the money that would normally go into the purchase of food for these meals has been given to local food banks, whose mobile pantries have been seeking to meet the needs of the hungry "up the canyon".



We're thrilled to announce that CCD will be starting up their meal program again this month on July 29th. If you would like to participate in this monthly opportunity for service, you can get in touch with either Betsy or Steve or let Fr. Charlie know.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Fr. Charlie and Cynthia hosted a pizza party and acolyte training last month, with good attendance! Sr. Acolytes Katie and Miller were on hand to assist, and our acolyte crew enjoyed some lawn games and pizza before diving into the current acolyte procedures. The group went over processing with the cross, carrying the Gospel, candle lighting and extinguishing, ringing a gong during the service, and deportment at the altar. It's wonderful to have our acolytes back serving and participating as young leaders in our worship. Two new acolytes began their training, and vestments were assigned to each person.

Acolytes normally begin serving in second grade, and continue through high school. If you have a child or youth who would like to participate in this ministry, contact Cynthia at cynthia@allsaintsmt.org

ACOLYTE TRAINING



PIZZA PARTY !!!



A little instruction on processing in with the cross



Fr. Charlie & Camas crank up some "processional" music



Sr. acolyte, Miller, shows how it's done



Sr. acolyte, Katie, helps up and coming acolyte, Sylvie



Andrew gets a little last minute instruction from Fr. Charlie



A discussion about altar department



Up and coming acolytes, Maria & Sylvie, try their hand at ringing the sanctus bell

ACOLYTE TRAINING



Fr. Charlie get the incense going in the thurible and shows what the thurifers job is



Fr. Charlie censes the altar



Demonstrating a 360 or around the world



Andrew tries his hand with the thurible



Vivian with a wicked 360 on her first attempt



Miller showing off his first time thurifer skills



Camas giving it a try

JULY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Springs Service 11 am Book Study Live and on Zoom 6:00-7:00pm	2	3 Gardening 9 am
 Service Hours: See page 11	5	6	7 Bible Study Live and on Zoom 10:30-11:30am	8 Springs Service 11 am Book Study Live and on Zoom 6:00-7:00pm	9	10 Gardening 9 am
11 Service Hours: See page 11	12	13	14 Bible Study Live and on Zoom 10:30-11:30am	15 Springs Service 11 am Book Study Live and on Zoom 6:00-7:00pm	16	17 Gardening 9 am
18 Service Hours: See page 11	19 Vestry Live and on Zoom 5:00 pm	20	21 Bible Study Live and on Zoom 10:30-11:30am	22 Springs Service 11 am Book Study Live and on Zoom 6:00-7:00pm	23	24 Gardening 9 am
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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

7:30 am - service only, no music



9:00 am - service with hymns

9:00 am service is also streamed live on Facebook & You Tube Live



11:00 am - service with hymns

7:00 pm - Contemplative service, no music

HOME COMMUNION AND VISITATIONS

If you have had to take some time away from church, but would like to receive the sacraments, please let us know! While the bishop has requested that clergy refrain from scheduling home visits, (hospitals and senior living facilities won't allow them either!), Fr. Charlie would be more than happy to bring you the sacrament/say prayers with you on your doorstep, the hospital parking lot, or at the church.

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Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the church, and in Christ Jesus forever. and ever.

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