

The Chimes

Dear Cathedral Family,

Across the month of October, it has been a blessing to hear stories of generosity from many of you. Some of you shared how you give your time in service to others, others shared where your talent and skills have met the needs of the Cathedral or the wider community, and still others shared the joy you experience when you are able to give money that will help and support others. Three members of the congregation gave stewardship talks during Sunday worship. Here's a taste of what each one shared.

Tom Stice serves on the stewardship committee, the property committee, and served on Chapter 2020-2023. While he is not a singer himself, Tom is a big fan of the Cathedral's music ministry. Music is an integral part of what it is to worship—and different from attending a concert—because its purpose is to amplify our prayers and to show forth God's glory.

Rick Voit serves on Chapter and the stewardship committee. He looked up the number of times that money or possessions are mentioned in the Bible: over 2000 times, and noted that one in ten verses in the Gospels deal with money. At the heart is a question of how we prioritize our relationship with money. Do we see money as ours? Or do we understand money as God's, a portion of which we are given to steward well? If the latter, we can be on a journey of generosity where we give firstfruits back to God through the ministry of the church and the work of other organizations, knowing that with the rest there will be enough money for our daily and future needs.

Jayne Touchstone serves on the cathedral life committee, the communications committee, and supports the Sunday school. If you have been to coffee hour and seen a veggie tray, Jayne is likely the one who made it. Jayne spoke of how the Cathedral feeds people—literally at coffee hour, at the Parish Thanksgiving Dinner, and through LifePax for those in need of a ready to eat meal. The Cathedral's mission partners use the funds we give them to feed those in need of food, shelter, community, and dignity. Jayne also shared how she has been fed through formation offering in the Sunday Forum, Bible studies, and Lenten book groups. What kind of snack for the heart and mind might you need?

The daily and future needs of the Cathedral are such that we need \$500,000 in pledged funds for 2025. This is in addition to gifts from endowment funds stewarded by the St. John's Foundation and rent from three rental properties (Canterbury Court's parking lot, Fiesta Mexicana, and Little Euro, our new tenants at 1235 S. Grand).

If you have already made a pledge for 2025, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please read the articles on page 3, take time in prayer, and have conversations with others in your household as needed. Talk with a member of the stewardship committee, finance committee, Chapter, or clergy if you want to learn more about the Cathedral's budget needs for 2025. Consider what you can give in this next year to

help the Cathedral and its ministries to thrive—then turn in your pledge on a pledge form or via the Give page of the Cathedral website.

Together, we are on a journey of generosity.

In Christ's Peace,

Dean Heather

The Newsletter of the Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist

Worship With Us

Sundays at 8am and 10:30am Saturdays at 5:30pm Wednesdays at Noon

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A Reflection on St. Francis

St. Francis of Assisi, 1182-1246, is one of the most well known saints of all time. His popularity as a saint is often associated with the blessing of animals on or around his feast day of October 4. But there is much more by which he is known including his identity with the poor and his life style of extreme simplicity, his kissing the leper and reconciling the wolf with the people of Gubbio, and his interfaith dialogue with the Sultan during the Fifth Crusade. Even more Francis is the Ecological Saint changing how the people of his time understood their relationship to all beings in creation, not has having domination over the natural world, but humbly seeing our relationship with all beings as siblings: Brother Sun and Sister Moon, Brother Fire and Sister Water, and all weathers and fruits and flowers on our sister Mother Earth. Hymn 400, All Creatures of our God and King, is a translation of his original song. Francis loved our Lord Jesus and so desired to imitate him and follow in his footsteps. He was granted that grace through the gift of the Stigmata, the five wounds of the Crucified Lord in his hands, feet and side.

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For 800 years people have been inspired by Francis and many chose to join him in his way of following Jesus. Francis founded a religious order for men, who were known as the little brothers (Friars Minor). The first woman to follow Francis, St. Clare, founded an order for women (the second order). And early on Francis recognized the need to include people from all walks of life beyond the Friars and Sisters. The Third Order was for lay persons and clergy, male and female, married and single, who commit themselves to following a Franciscan Rule of Life in the world.

Interested in learning more about the Third Order of Franciscans? Go visit our friends at Creator's Table at the West Central Abbey!





Among the various religious orders in the world wide Anglican Communion are the Society of St. Francis (SSF) for men, the Community of St. Francis (CSF) for women, and the Third Order, Society of St. Francis, (TSSF) for those living in the world. Among the approximately 600 Third Order Franciscans world wide, here in Spokane are members who have taken life vows as well as those who are in the formation process as postulant or novice. We endeavor to make our Lord known by word and example. We are inclusive of all people regardless of race, sexual orientation, belief system, education, health or economic standing. We take seriously Francis' greeting to everyone he met, "God give you peace." We live simply acknowledging that everything belongs to God, and we are to care for this fragile earth and all living beings.

We Franciscans in our local fellowship have found a spiritual home at Creators' Table, the worshiping community of the West Central Abbey, where we contribute in word and service, following the advice of our father Francis: "Preach the Gospel always, and when necessary use words."

The Rev. Beverly Hosea, TSSF

(More information about TSSF at tssf.org)

Where Do Our Offerings Go? by Rick Voit, Chapter & Stewardship Committee

As we think of how much money to give back in our tithes and offerings, it's helpful to review where it all goes! The following summary shows a high-level view of the 2024 budget, as set in mid-February after the Annual Meeting. Please understand that these figures give a general indication of cash flows and are not exact figures as of this printing.

Inflows	
Our Pledges and Offerings	\$422,000
St. John's Foundation:	\$564,000
Rental Properties	\$117,000
Total Inflows	\$1,103,000

Outflows

Outreach from Cathedral	\$36,600
Diocesan Assessment	\$152,250
Parish Ministries including Music	\$91,200
Clergy and Staff Salaries	\$418,500
Required Staff Benefits Expense	\$175,000
Property including utilities	\$320,400
Office infrastructure and Audit	\$37,000
Total Outflows	\$1,230,950

Your Generous Giving keeps the Cathedral Running!

Stewardship Stew by Tom Stice, Stewardship Committee

Life is a journey together, and we wanted to take a moment to discuss an essential aspect of our shared mission: stewardship. Stewardship is more than just managing church resources; it is a profound expression of our faith and commitment to one another.

In our many shared values, stewardship calls us to be mindful of how we use our time, talents, and treasures to build up our community and further our mission. It invites us to consider how our contributions can make a meaningful impact, not just within our church, but in the broader world we are called to serve.

Time: Every moment we dedicate to our church is a gift. Whether through volunteering, attending services, or participating in events, your time is a vital part of our collective effort to grow in faith and support each other.

Talents: Each of us has unique gifts and skills that can enrich our church community. From leading a ministry to offering a kind word, your talents play a crucial role in our shared mission.

But most of all, your **Treasures:** Financial support allows us to maintain our church's operations, support outreach programs, and sustain our various ministries. It's a tangible way to contribute to the wellbeing and growth of our community.

As our 2025 campaign unfolds, I encourage you to reflect on how you can contribute to our stewardship efforts. Every gift, no matter the size, helps us create a vibrant and thriving community. Together, we can continue to make a difference and fulfill our shared calling.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and generosity.

St. John's 95th Annual Christmas Faire & Bazaar Saturday, November 9 from 9am to 2pm

The time is quickly approaching for the 95th Christmas Faire and Bazaar. We will meet in the Great Hall on November 9 from 9am to 2pm with loads of wonderful goodies to buy.

Altar Guild will be back with their famous Champagne Mustard, as well as many gently used items. The funds are used to purchase altar items as needed for church services.

St. Monica's Guild will be back with their wonderful baked goods, including home made pie and our "Soon to be Famous" Orange Rolls for purchase. St. Monica's uses proceeds from Bazaar for their altruistic donations, including but not limited to West Central Abby Dinner Table, Camp Cross, Meals on Wheels, and several others.

The Novak Foundation will return with many lovely handmade items from Nepal. Donations will

go to benefit medical and educational projects in Nepal.

Windfall Thrift Store will return with their gently used Christmas trinkets and many other lovely things. Windfall donates their funds to many outreach organizations within the Cathedral, as well as the Perry District, and Grant School.

Lanny Burrill will be back with his handcrafted wood art. Donations will go to St. John's Outreach.

We will also welcome two new groups. Cathedral Life will have many baked good and homemade breads. The St. Clare Needleworkers will have beautiful handiwork for purchase.

We hope to see you all there!

-St. John's Cathedral Service League

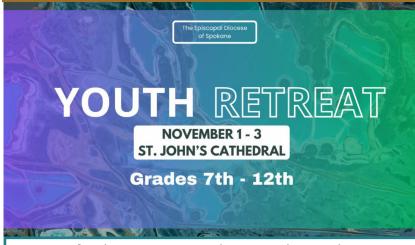


News from the Windfall by Pat Williams

The wonderful Windfall volunteers have been busy preparing the store for the fall season. The fall merchandise is on display and school supplies have been delivered to Grant Elementary. Other items will be delivered to Blessings under the Bridge and other charities in a few days. Our \$5 bag sale (fill a paper grocery bag with whatever items you select for only \$5) was its usual success. The Perry Street Farmers' Market will soon end, which means that Thursdays will not be as busy at the store. The Farmers' Market is full of full of fall produce, baked goods, and even homemade dog treats— so be sure to visit it when you stop at the Windfall!



Cathedral Classifieds: What's Going On?



Register for the Diocesan Youth Retreat by emailing Canon Alex at alexf@spokanediocese.org! Youths 7-12 grade welcome to attend. Registration is \$50, scholarships are available!



Featuring choral anthems by Ralph Vaughan Williams and a liturgical setting of preces and responses by Robert Ludwig

Champagne Mustard is Here!

The Altar Guild is happy to announce that we will be offering your favorite Champagne Mustard at this year's Bazaar (November 9.) As in years past, we are happy to accept your advance orders. We usually sell out at the Bazaar, so like to offer to our Cathedral friends prior to the Bazaar so you don't miss out.

Altar Guild members will be at coffee hour October 20, 27 and November 3 for pre-sales. You may also send your email to the office at cathedraladmin@stjohns-cathedral.org Please let us know the quantity you want and provide your phone number. Cash, check or tithely accepted. We will make payment and pick up arrangements as you contact Karen. Pick up starts October 20 and ends November 7. The cost is \$7.50 per jar. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Décor and Music

In keeping with tradition, the Altar Guild will be decorating the Cathedral during Advent and Christmas. Make checks payable to "St. John's Cathedral" or make payments through tithely and mark the memo line for Christmas Flowers. Please note in whose honor the gift is given.

If you would like to donate to underwrite special Christmas music, please mark your donations via check or tithely with the memo Christmas Music.

After Christmas, The Chimes will publish a list of all those in whose honor Christmas decorations were given. Special décor and music is possible only through gifts from members and friends of the Cathedral, so we thank you for your generous donations!



95th Annual Christmas Faire and Bazaar

Saturday, November 9 9 AM to 2 PM

With treats and offerings from Altar Guild, St. Monica's Guild, the Novak Foundation, Windfall Thrift Store, Cathedral Life, St. Clare's Needleworkers, and Lanny Burrill

All proceeds are donated to our mission partners!



October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10a Liturgy Staff	2 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p YABS	3 9:30a Tapestry 3p Stewardship 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir	4 10a St. Clare Needleworkers 6p AlAnon	5 5:30p Worship
6 8a Worship 9a Jr. Choir 10:30a Worship	7 6p SYSO	8 10a Liturgy Staff	9 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p Taize Prayer	10 9:30a Tapestry 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir	Needleworkers	12 5:30p Worship
13 8a Worship 9a Jr. Choir 10:30a Worship	14 6p SYSO	15 10a Liturgy Staff 4p Conn. Concerts	16 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p YABS	17 9:30a Tapestry 3p Stewardship 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir		19
		4:30p Finance			Diocesan Convention	
20 10:30a Worship	21 6p SYSO	22 10a Liturgy Staff 5:30p Prayer Group 6:30p Chapter	23 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p YABS	24 9:30a Tapestry 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir	Needleworkers	26 5:30p Worship
27 8a Worship 9a Jr. Choir 10:30a Worship 12p Creation Care	28 6p SYSO	29 10a Liturgy Staff	30 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p YABS	31 9:30a Tapestry 3p Stewardship 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir		

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 10a St. Clare Needleworkers 6p AlAnon 6p All Souls' Prayer & Dinner	2 5:30p Worship
3 8a Worship 9a Jr. Choir 10:30a Worship 5p All Saints' Evensong	4 6p SYSO	5 10a Liturgy Staff 5:30p Prayer Group	6 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p YABS	7 9:30a Tapestry 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir	8 10a St. Clare Needleworkers 6p AlAnon	9 9a Bazaar 5:30p Worship
10 8a Worship 9a Jr. Choir 10:30a Worship	11 Veterans' Day- Offices Closed 6p SYSO	12 10a Liturgy Staff 4p Conn. Concerts 4:30p Finance	13 12p Eucharist 6:30p AlAnon 7p Taize Prayer	14 9:30a Tapestry 5:45p Bells 7p Cath. Choir	15 10a St. Clare Needelworkers 6p AlAnon	16 9:00a DAR 5:30p Worship
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The Cathedral Office is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10am to 4:30pm and Tuesday from 1pm to 4:30pm

The Cathedral is open for visitors and tours during office hours.

Questions? Need to change your contact information? Want to know more about St. John's? Call the Cathedral Office at 509.838.4277 or email cathedraladmin@ stjohns-cathedral.org!

In Memoriam

Bill Rafferty 3/7/1938—7/29/2024

The Rev. Dr. Larry Harrelson 4/17/1924—8/12/2-24

> Peggy Shelton 2/26/1934—9/18/2024

> Stan Fergin 8/11/1928—9/24/2024

> Michael Feller 5/27/1992—10/3/2024

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.