

# The Quill

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## Queen Anne

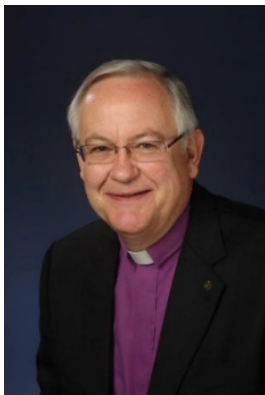
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in the November Quill.*

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would prefer to have a copy mailed to you  
each month, just contact the church office!*



## *Bishop's Message*

*By the Rev. Kirby Unti, Bishop, NWWA Synod*

*From the October 2018 edition of *The Spirit**

### **Come, Lord Jesus**

The Unti family continues to meet at least once a week for a family meal. It is the rare occasion when we are not all in attendance. The meal always begins with the prayer, "Come, Lord Jesus." We know not to move a fork until the prayer has been shared. I must confess that we do not always do the prayer with the reverence that it deserves but we always do the prayer.

It would be so easy, and maybe even more pleasant, if we suspended this practice - but the truth is it is nonnegotiable. Not because of guilt or shame. Not because of our personal piety. The prayer is essential because it helps us as a family to know our rightful place in the world. We are, as Luther might say, beggars. We are dependent upon God. God is the provider. We are grateful receivers.

Many of you know that Kim finds great delight in preparing meals. It is not only about the culinary challenge - it is about the gift that comes in gathering people around the meal. Kim knows how to turn a meal into an entire evening.

Kim is also the first to sign up to provide meals for others whether it is a friend recovering from surgery or helping at any one of several feeding programs. We often prepare and serve these meals as a family.

Our household has been shaped by meals because we have been shaped by the Biblical narrative.

Meals play such a critical role in the story of God's people whether it is the cry for manna in the wilderness or breaking bread at home with Zacchaeus. Not to mention how central the meals of Passover and The Eucharist are. Meals are how God is known, faith is formed, forgiveness is experienced and remembrance of what matters most happens.

Meals are also what the ELCA is about. We not only gather often as the people of God around meal but we believe deep in our bones the importance of seeing that all people have access to the means of providing and receiving meal. We call this expression of the ELCA – WORLD HUNGER.

"Working with and through our congregations in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Lutheran churches overseas, and other partners, ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty." (ELCA Website: [www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/ELCA-World-Hunger](http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/ELCA-World-Hunger))

Our Synod Hunger Team is ready for some new members to lead us in our local efforts. If you are interested in helping to shape this group, please contact the synod office. Additionally, on the flipside of this edition of *The Spirit*, you will find hunger facts and resources.

**COME, LORD JESUS!**

## UPDATE FROM THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE:

One month to go until our celebration! First of all, thank you to everyone who has participated in the work parties to help tidy up the landscape around Queen Anne! Your hard work has brightened up our presence here on the hill! Thanks especially to Connie Wurm and Rich Mathes for making these work parties a success! Invitations have gone out and we look forward to celebrating with you, so please RSVP to [centennial@queenannelutheran.org](mailto:centennial@queenannelutheran.org), by calling the church office or by signing the list on the narthex railing, to let us know if you are coming. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the celebration, so if you are interested in serving in some way, please talk with Cat Ray or Mary Gallagher or check the sign-up sheet.



Please remember we are collecting pictures for our Centennial Picture Wall; bring a picture of your family to share. The ultimate goal is to create a pictorial directory of the congregation!

Yours in Christ,

Cat Rugg, Centennial Committee Chair; [cataroo@gmail.com](mailto:cataroo@gmail.com)



## QALC CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 1:00 PM

Join us for a worship service at 10:30,  
followed by lunch and a program in the Fellowship Hall!

Childcare will be available and there will also be a craft table for kids  
in the Fellowship Hall during the program.

### **CHOIR ALUMNAE WELCOME**

The Congregation's Centennial will be celebrated on Sunday October 28. Past choir members are welcome to come that day and join the choir at the 10:30 service. You are not required to come to the Thursday rehearsal. Show up Sunday for the 9:45 AM choir warm up. The anthem is "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" by Dale Wood. The Psalm 45 setting is by David Cherwien "God Is Our Refuge and Strength." Contact Barbara in the church office if you would like an advanced copy of the score.  
—David Lepse, Interim Cantor

### **PHOTOS AND STORIES**

We are gathering photos and stories of QALC through the years. If you have something to share please email [qalc100@gmail.com](mailto:qalc100@gmail.com) or contact Kirsten Erickson at (206) 898-0408.

## Blessed to be a Blessing

It was years ago, during a Bethel Bible Study teacher training, that I first became aware the saying “Blessed to be a Blessing”, and it’s been my mantra ever since. My take is that when I am blessed it reminds me that I’m to be a blessing, and I keep my eyes open for a way to be one.

For**KIDS** was blessed a few weeks ago when Shirley Flory brought in heavy bags of coins that she had again collected for For**KIDS** service projects. I never say no to a blessing, but since the service projects weren’t going to happen for a while I thought about how these coins could be used to teach kids sooner rather than later.

What first came to mind is “Blessed to be a blessing”, and how we could use use this unexpected blessing of coins.

The plan is that in October the coins will go into a “Blessed to be a Blessing” jar and the concept of the saying will be explained to those at For**KIDS**. The coins will go home with one child, coins counted and changed into bills, and with parental guidance, the child will find a way to use the money as a blessing to someone. Where the money ended up will be report back to the For**KIDS** group, and whenever we have more money in the jar the process will happen again with a different child.

This time I estimate the coins to be about ten dollars. How could this amount be a blessing? Some ideas: a coloring book and pens for someone at Seattle Children’s hospital, food for Ronald McDonald House or the Food Pantry, a potted plant for a neighbor who has been going through a hard time, flowers and a card for someone grieving a loved one, a charity working with an endangered specie, or to the ELCA for Hurricane Relief. ANYTHING is fine, as long as the money is used in a way that blesses others.

We will still use coins during the Easter Egg Hunt.

Thanks for saving coins. Even a collection of pennies can be a blessing to someone, and giving joyfully is also a blessing to the giver. Contact terry at [forkids@queenannelutheran.org](mailto:forkids@queenannelutheran.org) if you’d like to help fill the jar next time.

## Introducing For**KIDS** Teachers

Thanks to our For**KIDS** Teams!

### Science Breakout

Magdalena Phillips  
John Reese  
James Fink

### Games/Drama Breakout

Meg Shaw  
Kirsten Erickson

### Arts /Crafts Breakout

Lori Roozen  
Kathleen Fink

### Opening Lesson

John Reese  
Lori Phillips  
Cathi Unseth

—Terry Anderson



Volunteering is at the very  
core of being a human. No  
one has made it through  
life without someone else's  
help.

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ONE OF THE  
GREATEST GIFTS  
YOU CAN GIVE IS  
YOUR TIME

#VOLUNTEER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Picture This

**WE ARE CREATING A QALC CENTENNIAL PHOTO WALL** in the hallway outside the office. Please contribute a photo of yourself/your family to the office counter box (or email one to the church office) and we will soon place it on the wall in its alphabetical location. Over the course of the coming fall, Barbara will

also scan and enter the photos into our database—the goal is to generate an in-house photo directory in time for our Annual Meeting in January.

### Save the Date! – November 10

The first **QALC Parishioners and Friends Art Show** will include artists Barbara Koziol, Sophie Pritchard, and Francoise von Dwingelo. They will be showing their paintings in the Chapel from Nov. 10 to Dec 20. The opening celebration will be held on 11/10 from 7-9 pm in the Chapel Conference Room. More details coming soon!

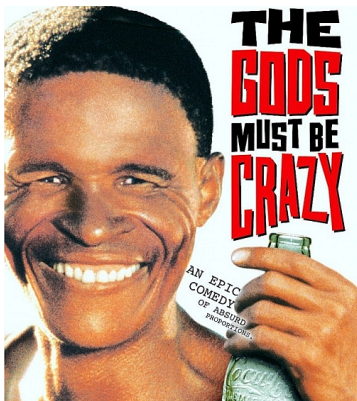
### Chancel Choir Continues

David Lapse is on vacation until October 25, but Chancel Choir rehearsals will continue each Thursday in October at 7 PM. Our guest organists for October, David Bowen and Michael Cooley, will also rehearse the choir each Thursday. Both new and returning choir members are welcome to sing, and we encourage you to participate as we prepare music for our Centennial celebration on October 28. The choir will continue to sing at the 10:30 worship services each Sunday.

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Jacqui Darroch  
Dan Heffernan,  
Sherry Moody  
Jean McLauchlan  
Wayne Bacus  
Anni Carew,  
Keith Dibble  
Stephanie Wieland  
Consuelo Vega-Bockelie  
Sebille Moulster  
Virginia Klepser  
Florence Ekstrand  
Harrison Roozen  
Heidi Steiner  
Jackie Thomsen  
Erich Patten  
Audrey Conner  
Charlie Fink

If your (or family member's) birthday is missing from this list, please contact the church office at 206-284-1960 or email [admin@queenannelutheran.org](mailto:admin@queenannelutheran.org)



### Explore the Intersection of **Faith & Film**

#### **"The Gods Must Be Crazy"**

Saturday, October 20, 2018  
in the Fellowship Hall

**4:00 PM** Appetizers and drinks

**4:30 PM** Watch the movie together

**6:20 PM** Discussion (led by Brent McCullough)

A comic allegory about a traveling Bushman who encounters modern civilization and its stranger aspects, including a clumsy scientist and a band of revolutionaries.

(1984) PG rating. 1 hour 49 minutes.



# #MeToo & the Bible

Queen Anne Lutheran Church welcomes  
**Dr. Beatrice Lawrence,**  
Professor of Hebrew Bible at Seattle University  
**October 14 at 7 PM** in our Fellowship Hall.  
**The public is invited.**

Beatrice Lawrence, Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible at Seattle University, will present a fascinating look at stories in the Hebrew Bible involving acts of sexual violence through the lens of the #MeToo movement. A central element of the #MeToo movement is naming the lived experience of those who have been victims of assault and abuse, as well as the need to hold perpetrators accountable. From this perspective, what sense can we make of these Bible stories, and the lessons they are supposed to teach?



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## Join Us for Adult Forums in October:

- 07 **#MeToo and the Bible #3** (Dr. Beatrice Lawrence)  
14 **#MeToo and the Bible #4**, with public forum at 7 PM (Dr. Beatrice Lawrence)  
21 **Reading Revelation – Decoding the Bible’s Most Dangerous Book #1** (Pastor Dan)

## After-Word —Your Take On Sunday’s Sermon

We are starting a NEW Bible Study opportunity this month! Each week we will gather to explore more deeply the previous Sunday’s Bible readings and message, giving YOU the chance to ask questions, to reflect on the sermon, or to engage other parts of the readings that were not covered.

One session will “brown-bag it” each week **Tuesdays at noon** in the Conference Room; participants may bring their own lunch. The first meeting will be **October 9**. The first two sessions will be led by **Pastor Anna Rieke of St. John United**.

The second session (same study) will meet **Wednesday evenings, starting October 10**. The first two sessions will be led by **Pastor Thom Wert**. The format has been designed to accommodate families and other busy people:

**6:00 PM** Share a simple meal together in the Fellowship Hall

**6:30-7:30** Adults stay for discussion in the Fellowship Hall.

**6:30-7:30** Kids go to **KidSpace**, where we open with singing, and then children may do homework (with help if needed), read silently or have a story read to them, play a quiet board game or Legos—all under the supervision of our Children’s Ministry Coordinator Terry Anderson, a volunteer, and a music person.

**HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR WEDNESDAY’S AFTER-WORD?** Please add your name to the narthex sign-up even if you’re only *thinking* about coming, to help us plan food and KidSpace!



### 2019 Guidelines for Expenditures Meeting - Oct. 30

It is almost that time of year again!!

All committee heads, or anyone who needs to, or wants to, provide input for potential 2019 expenditures, or income, please provide your proposal to the Finance Committee. **We will be meeting in the Conference Room from 7-9 PM Tuesday, Oct 30.** Please submit written documentation, whether or not you can attend the meeting. Draft numbers need to be available by early November for Council review; Council finalizes the proposed budget in December.

If you have suggestions, even if not for an existing budget line item, or even if you don't represent a particular committee, please submit those also. 2019 will be an important year in the life of QALC. We anticipate having a new cantor, as well as possibly new programs to consider, given that 2018 is our 100th Anniversary. ***Great ideas that are not presented may not get into the 2019 guidelines.***

The Finance Committee members are:

**Myra Dittes**

**Tim Porter**

**Cathi Unseth**

**Ken Hockman**

**Sallie Wilson**

**Rich Mathes**

You can provide input to any of us, or place your comments or proposals in our office mailbox, located in the lower left section.

## **Lutheran World Relief notes:**

### **School Kits:**

Thanks for all the many items provided! Sales are over now, so we will pause our donation drive. . .

**Please join us to pack School Kits at 9:00 AM Saturday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall.** Although Men's Group is sponsoring the School Kit Assembly, if anyone else wants to help assemble, please show up!—children and families are especially invited to help with this fun service project!

### **Personal Care Kits:**

Men's Group assembled 130 kits – Thank you to all who provided materials, or cash to buy materials online!! IF you happen to see good nail clippers on sale the next six months – essentially 50 cents each, without wooden emery board and other items – buy some and leave them in the pullout drawers under the “chocolate bar” in the narthex. We will need nail clippers next spring!! Bartells sometimes sells two for one (for \$1); however, usually only 12 or so at a time. Whenever I happen into Bartells, I look at their nail clippers, just in case they are having a sale.

**Fall Ingathering Nov. 2 & 3** at Our Redeemers' Lutheran – 2400 NW 85<sup>th</sup> St in Ballard.

Volunteers are needed! If you can help load 30-pound boxes, or have a friend who can, let me know. If you have never seen this event – filling two 53-foot containers with boxes – you are welcome even to just watch, as long as you take responsibility for avoiding getting run over! Most of the loads arrive Friday; 8 AM-3 PM are the hours; Saturday is just the morning, 8 AM – noon. I like to sign loaders up for two-hour shifts. —Contact Rich or Candy Mathes if you have questions: email [lwrmathes@aol.com](mailto:lwrmathes@aol.com)

### **Men's Ministry Upcoming Activities:**

Meet in the Fellowship Hall Saturday Oct 13, 8:30 AM for a continuation of our September discussion— "How can the Men's Group help with projects around church?" We will also assemble LWR School Kits starting at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

### **LYONS Events this Fall:**

**Sunday Night Live** for all LYONS youth is Sunday, October 7 from 6:00-8:00pm at St John United. Join us for dinner, worship, games, and time together! Friends are welcome.

**Parent Informational Meeting:** Sunday Oct 14, 6:00-7:30pm, at Ballard First Lutheran. Come learn about the upcoming retreats and summer 2019 trips! This is also a time to get to know some of the other LYONS parents and volunteers.

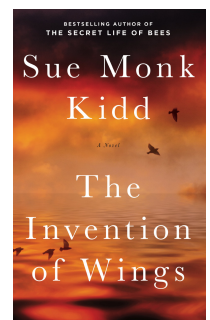
**Middle School Fall Retreat:** Oct 19-21 - We will be heading up to Lutherwood for the weekend to get to know our new LYONS middle school group in God's creation. Sign up and more details at [roaringlyons.org](http://roaringlyons.org)

**Coffee Wednesdays:** Come hang out and get a beverage on us after school until 5:00pm at Herkimer Coffee on Greenwood Ave.

**Wednesday Night 8th-12th Grade Youth Group:** Join us at Phinney Ridge Lutheran at 6:00pm for dinner, and then from 6:30-7:20pm for a time to hang out and explore faith together. Please consider bringing a donation to help cover dinner costs.

### **October Book Group — *The Invention of Wings***

The Queen Anne Book Group (open to all) will meet on Monday, October 29 at 7 PM in the church narthex to discuss *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Discussion will be led by Georganne Robertson.





**Socks.** We take them for granted—white socks, black sock, socks of many colors, socks with prints or stripes. Sometimes they match and sometimes they don't. The combinations are endless but we all wear socks. I had a friend visiting from Texas who wanted to know what clothes to bring to Seattle. I told her we were wearing socks— summer was over.

*So why socks?* The Holiday giving season requests have already begun. My first inkling was the request from Night Watch— they need NEW socks for those living on the streets. That request, posted on the bulletin board in the narthex, is for the middle of November. Watch for a collection box in the narthex.

Next we heard from Mary's Place. Today it was Compass Housing Alliance; on both their lists was socks— NEW SOCKS. Pastor Kristi Daniels (pastor of Church of Steadfast Love at the Compass Center) who comes to PDQ's to quilt with us, says they always need NEW white athletic socks. That way, when they check feet for problems, it makes any health issues easier to spot. So as you go about your shopping this year, remember to buy socks.

**On holiday planning time**—the QALCW in conjunction with Sunday School will once again be putting on the multi-generational Advent Celebration the first Sunday in December. We are looking for craft ideas and food ideas to help celebrate Christmas from around the world!

**Circles:** The New, Unnamed Circle got off to a good start this fall with eight of us meeting in September. The Fall Bible Study is on Repentance. The Circle will be meeting October 15 at 7 PM at Barbara Bach's home. (She invited us back!). Come join us! All Women of QALC are invited! There are no stupid questions and no "wrong answers," but a time of fellowship and learning. Come join us and check out the study. We continue with our discussion of repentance. The focus verse this month is "You shall love the Lord you God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind"—Matthew 22:37-40. If you would like to attend our north-end circle, Northern Lights, please talk to Dolly Smith. To find out more about the south end group, talk to Sallie Wilson.

### **Thought from WELCA:**

*When we invite people to join us at church, we do not invite them to change who they are. Rather, we invite them to join us so that we may together encounter God. Invite them to talk about themselves so you can find out who they really are. We join each other in community life so that we can be enriched by the diversity of our experiences of God.*



*Don't forget! Sewing & Service and PDQ's are back on their regular schedule! We would love to see you!*

## **For Making Baby Care Kits and Quilts:**

- Diaper Pins
- Ivory Soap—4 oz. bars

Lightly used:

- Baby T-Shirts and Pants (no feet in pants)—Girl or Boy, size 6 mo. to 2T (cotton is best). If onesies are donated, we cut the bottom off to make a t-shirt - think of a world with no paper diapers and few laundry facilities...
- Men's size Large (only) 100% cotton any color T-shirts—LIGHTLY used is OK and can have decoration, though as with all LWR goods, no religious symbols or American flags. (\$1 at Goodwill!). This size makes perfect diapers.
- Or if you would like to buy a package of NEW cloth diapers they would love the donation.
- Any adult cotton t-shirt is great for making layette gowns. The ones who sew prefer 100% cotton - flowered, stripes, bright colors, etc. are fun.
- Dark colored lightly used sheets for quilt backs. We really LOVE Dark Green, Navy, Brown or Purple!

Donations may be left in the right-hand pull-out drawer under the "Chocolate/Coffee" bar in the narthex.

## **REGION 1 GATHERING.....That's US!!!!**

**Synods of Washington, Alaska, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming**

June 20-23, 2019 in Hillsboro, Oregon.

Hillsboro Embassy Suites will be our headquarters. Possible speaker Sharon Brown, author of *Sensible Shoes*. Train service from Portland is available.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to our Coordinating member Sophie Pritchard. We want to thank her for all her time and valuable input.

—Women's Coordinating Committee.

*Candy Mathes, Sallie Wilson, Pat Sobeck, and Lisa Ondrejcek*

## **Foreign-Language Book Donations for Immigrant Detainees:**

A note from Barb Bash: "home church," Wallingford United Methodist, has a group of members who volunteer outside the NW Detention Center in Tacoma, assisting detainees when they are released. The Homeland Security field officer at the NW Detention Center recently asked if we can provide books in foreign languages to people being held there. Their collection of English books is at a good level now, but there is a need for dictionaries in Italian, Hebrew, Norwegian, Nepali and Wolof languages. They also have very few books in Polish, Cambodian, Hindi, Tamil, Arabic, Estonian, Ethiopian, Romanian, Ukrainian, Tagalog and Dutch. (Such items are hard to find, and that is why I am spreading the word to my "other church" here at QALC!) If you happen to locate any books in those languages that could be offered up, please bring them to Barb in the church office.

## **Holden Village, Summer 2019**

Are you interested in going to Holden Village in Summer 2019? There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for anyone interested in joining a group to go to Holden this coming summer. You need to indicate which weeks would work best for you on that sheet.

We need at least somewhat firm commitments by Dec 31 to register – must be done Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Our registration did not go in until the middle of January this year and we did not get one of the group slots. Note that group reservations allow us to substitute someone for you, up to about 6 weeks before leaving. Group reservation daily costs are slightly less than if you register as a family. The one disadvantage of “group status” is that 99.9% of our group needs to arrive the same day and leave the same day. We normally arrive at Holden on Sunday, and leave Saturday, so people can get back to work and other things. The programs at Holden start on Monday and go through Friday. The advantage for you being part of a group is that the group leader handles all paperwork and checks.

Last year I tried to get someone else to be in charge (group leader gets a discount). If you would like to do this, please let me know.

—Rich Mathes

## **My Time At Holden – August / September 2018**

My third visit this year to Holden Village - to work on the village archives once again – occurred in late August. I went up-lake with Nancy Winder. She passed the time on the boat trip working Sunday New York Times crossword puzzle with a pen! She let me do the Sudoku puzzle, which I completed in pencil. We both worked on the other large Sunday puzzle after the boat departed from Prince Creek – a hiker stop – and completed it with time to spare before arriving at Lucerne.

Also coming up-lake were two special people. One was Keith Dibble, one of the new members to Queen Anne Lutheran and father to Mark Dibble. He had been at Holden in the mid-1950's as a summer intern to Howe Sound Co. at the Holden mine. He had not returned to Holden until this trip and wanted to see how the place had changed. The other person was Audrey (I never caught her last name). She was one of the Forerunners, a group of primarily young people who, from mid-June to mid-July in 1961, began the process of cleaning Holden toward getting it ready for use as a retreat center. At that time her name was Audrey Sanders. She helped clean the Dining Hall and assisted the cook as they prepared meals outdoors near Chalet 1 (unlike the years when the mine was in operation, there was no power available in those early village days). She had been back to visit Holden several times during the intervening years, but this time – now that she is in her 80's – might be her last. Once in the village, both Keith and Audrey were celebrated for their knowledge of Holden's past, and several villagers talked with them at length. The village archivist interviewed Audrey while at the village (she is from Minnesota); an interview with Keith was set at a time when both were back in Seattle.

Speaking of the village archivist, Larry Howard, it turned out that he had arrived at Holden the prior Friday. He had not told me about this development. Had he done so, I would have changed my plans to fit his schedule. I then told him I was staying in the village a second week, which I had not previously told him. So I guess we were even. Larry's son Patrick and Patrick's two sons Lucca and Nico were again visiting Holden, though they spent most of their time in pursuits other than the archives.

During my two weeks at Holden I completed inventories for two banker boxes and began a third but did not finish it. The first one contain several items from the 1960's including LP records – vinyl – of Brynolf (Beany) Lundholm and Helen Landsverk, among others. Though a registered nurse and college instructor in Spokane, Helen was a self-taught guitarist, composer, and folk singer, as well as a member of ASCAP. She died in 2011 at age 88. (Her obituary can be found online at [legacy.com](http://legacy.com)). Also in this box was published sheet music of Helen Landsverk. Some of these titles were her own words and music. But she

also wrote settings to words by Florence Ekstrand, such as “Noah’s Raven”, “Behold, I Stand At the Door and Knock”, and “Run, Sheep, Run”. (You can hear Helen sing “Run, Sheep, Run” via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rHNitRmRG4A>)

The second box I inventoried was a dense collection of board meeting materials and correspondence collected by Werner Janssen. Werner was the business manager of Holden Village from 1963 to 1983/4. The collection included official documents from 1961 to 1983, but in reverse chronological order. There was so much material that it took me eight days to complete the inventory.

The first weekend in September was taken up with the Science and Technology Committee meeting. This was an abbreviated meeting, in part because the president of the committee was sick, could not attend, and did not provide an agenda. While many members were in attendance, there were several regulars who did not make the meeting. Marc Rerucha Borges, Operations manager for Holden, ran the meeting, telling the membership what has been accomplished and what remains to be done – a long list. One reason for such a long list is the lack of volunteer staff to do the work. Attracting volunteer staff is a high priority. (Village management does understand that it will be hard to do this when college students, who have amassed huge school debt loads, look for paying jobs and internships instead of volunteer opportunities.)

It was obvious to me that Holden was short staffed. Several long-term staff people were doing two or three jobs so that certain activities, like the pool hall and the snack bar, would be available to guests and staff. At each meal there would be calls for volunteers from the guests to help with clean and sanitizing tables after meals in the Dining Hall, or helping scoop ice cream, or assist with Sunday Eucharist, or offer First Word at breakfast. I volunteered for cleaning tables, assisting with Sunday Eucharist, and dish team when time permitted. I also took the time, when talking with staff, to thank them for all their effort and to let them know my appreciation. I also mentioned this to the directors, Chuck Hoffman and Peg Carlson-Hoffman.

Not all of my time was spent on inventory work. Larry Howard let me take time to attend the daily Bible study, renamed “Living Word”. For the two weeks I was at Holden, Wes Howard-Brook and Sue Ferguson Johnson offered studies in Old and New Testament. I had met Wes and Sue back in 2012 at Holden, the last time they gave the Bible study there. Wes is a senior instructor in Theology and Religious Studies at Seattle University and is a colleague of Pastor Dan. He is Jewish by ancestry, for three decades a Roman Catholic, and is now a Mennonite, a lawyer by training, who later went into Biblical studies. Sue shares responsibility with Wes in a ministry called “Abide in Me” out of their home in Issaquah. The crux of their two weeks of sessions is that what is expressed throughout the Old and New Testaments is a rejection of the religion of empire and control in its many forms and an embracing of a religion of creation and abundant life. Over the years, Wes has written several books explaining how scripture shows this to be true as over against what “Christianity” and “The Church” have espoused over the millennia: “Empire Revealed” (a study of the book of Revelations), “The Church Before Christianity”, “Come Out, My People”, and “Empire Baptized”.

It is Wes’ contention that much of the technological advances over the course of human history were at the command and instigation of human empire, such as language and mathematics, even down to our age with super highways and the Internet. In one of the early sessions, Wes asked questions of the people attending such as, “What is the meaning of the term ‘geometry’?” “Why was the Interstate Highway system created?” “Why was the Internet first developed?” I was the only person who answered all three questions, and answered them correctly. Wes immediately asked me, “How do you know all this?” “I pay attention,” I responded. (Ask me sometime if you want to know the answers.)

Most teaching staff sessions were held during the day while I was busy inventorying boxes. But there were some interesting presentations in the evening. Kai Carlson-Wee showed his short film about he and

his brother hopping cargo trains across the country, called “Riding the Highline”. Kai also answered questions about the life of train hopping, its joys and dangers. Another time a documentary was shown about salmon fisheries in the northern hemisphere, how pollution, damming the habitat streams, and overfishing has decimated practically all the natural salmon fish runs.

What made this visit to Holden quite special was a consequence of the fires this year. The Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) was closed due to the Bannock Lakes Fire in the Agnes Creek Valley. The Forest Service made the Railroad Creek Valley, in which Holden is located, the detour route. Hikers could go to Holden, then take the scramble route behind Martin Ridge to either the Devore Creek trail or the Company Creek Trail to Stehekin. Or, after reaching Holden, take the ride to the boat at Lake Chelan to reach Stehekin. From Stehekin, the hikers could travel on foot back to the PCT to continue on toward Canada. Every day more people were coming to the village. Some stayed overnight, getting a needed shower, washing their clothes, and a sheltered rest. Some of them even volunteered their time to help with a Holden task, like cleaning tables after a meal, or scooping ice cream. Many were impressed by the friendliness of the villagers. Good word of mouth about Holden went out to the hiking community, which rarely occurred previously, because, for PCT hikers, Holden is normally quite a diversion away from the direct route.

Although some hikers were heading south along the PCT, the majority were northbound. Several had started their journey at the border with Mexico, with hopes of reaching the Canada border by October. PCT hikers gained names from other hikers, which they accepted. People I met introduced themselves as “Brighty”, “Tinker”, or “Slaughterhouse”; few ever gave their real names. Some hiked solo (mostly males); there were some who hiked in pairs (quite a few women); several travelled in mixed groups of four or more; most adult age groups were represented.

Other people came to Holden for the first time. One person in particular, a woman named Laura Reed, a professor at U Mass, who had been visiting her sister in Stehekin, came to the village based on her sister’s recommendation. She intended to visit for a couple of days, but was so enamored with what she encountered – the people, the scenery, the teaching staff, the village itself – that she stayed for eight days. She was enthusiastic in her accolades. She even joined me in a hike to Hart Lake, where I learned how very out of shape I was.

I also visited with one of the village cats (there are three currently). I met Mr. Kitty, a chocolate Siamese, who was very friendly and endearing.

I saw several friends this visit. Over my several visits this year, I have come to know many of the staff. I even got to see Terry Sanderson, the village mechanic, on the day I left. It was good to catch up with several of the Sci-Tech membership, many of whom I had not seen in a year. It was great to see Cristi Chapman and her daughter Maddie again. I first met them and her husband Chris at Holden back in 2011. BTW, Cristi is now Rev. Cristi Drane Chapman, Curate at St. Mark’s Cathedral in Seattle.

I also got to see Josh Post again. I greeted him off the bus in true Wes Prieb fashion: looking behind him and saying, “It’s nice to see you’re (your) back.” He responded with his Wes impression. I had suspected that he was visiting to check up on me. When asked, he said that perhaps he came “for rest and relaxation.” But he spent much of his time in meetings. He did take some time to come up to the archives to look at a box that I had inventoried, the collection from Werner Janssen. He agreed with me that it contained items for which he had been searching a long time, and found documents of which he had been previously unaware.

There were a few swift changes occurring about the time I was leaving Holden. The directors had left the village with their 15 year-old dog Rudy. (Rudy later died on Sept. 14.) Interim pastors were about to arrive, and the husband and wife pastor team who had been there for only one year of a two-year commitment were to leave Holden a couple days after I did. There may be other announcements coming soon.



Holden is now in fall transition. School is in full swing with five young students, two of them being the teacher's offspring. Most of the summer staff has left. What I said in my previous article still applies: I encourage you to financially support Holden with your gifts, and also encourage you to keep Holden, its co-directors Chuck +Peg, and its small-in-numbers staff – long term and short term – in your prayers as the village continues its ministry into the darker, colder seasons.

—Joel Matter

## THANKSGIVINGS



### Thanks for ...

Last month, we bid farewell to Vernon and Jutta Wicker as they prepared to move to Germany...and welcomed new members Mary Gallagher, Keith Dibble, Consuelo Vega-Bockelie and Andrew Williamson. We gave out Bibles to a throng of young members in our community. A crew of gardeners spent two Saturdays sprucing up our grounds in preparation for our Centennial. Our Adult Forums will benefit from the new screen now in place in the Conference Room—thanks to those who installed it there.

### Thanks Were Also Received:

From Church of Steadfast Love, for a \$180 donation.

From Queen Anne Food Bank, for a \$250 donation.

From Mary's Place, for a \$250 donation.

From Queen Anne Helpline, for a \$250 donation.



## SERVING IN OCTOBER

*Sign-ups are in the narthex for providing flowers, hosting coffee hour, and ushering. We welcome new voices also for reading scripture and assisting with worship. Please contact the office or Pastor Dan if you have questions or to express interest in any of the service opportunities listed below.*

### **Altar Guild:**

Jan and Linda Olson

### **Offering Counters**

07 Shirley Flory and Michael Banobi

14 Sally Villaluz and Cathi Unseth

21 Vicke Pugil and Joel Matter

28 Susan Evans and Linda Olson

### **Usher: (8:00 AM)**

07 Needed

14 Sally Villaluz and Cathi Unseth

21 Needed

28 Susan Evans and Linda Olson

### **Usher: (10:30 AM)**

07 Don Thomas and Denny Alfson

14 Needed

21 Needed

28 Needed

### **Lectors (8:00 AM)**

07 Dan Squires

14 Jan Olson

21 Jacqui Darroch

28 Mei Le Smith

### **Communion Servers (8:00 AM)**

07 Dolly Smith

14 Linda Olson

21 Jacqui Darroch

28 Dolly Smith

### **Assisting Minister (10:30 AM)**

07 Jean Oplinger

14 Carol Ann Davis

21 Meg Shaw

28 Kirsten Erickson

### **Flowers on the Altar**

07 Seville Moulster

14 Rugg family

21 Virginia Stamey Johnson

28 Karen McCullough

### **Sunday Coffee Hosts: (8:00 AM)**

07 Smith family

14 Hockman family

21 Needed

28 Needed

### **Sunday Coffee Hosts: (10:30 AM)**

07 Reese family

14 Oplinger family

21 Shirley Flory and Susan Dibble

28 Centennial Luncheon

**Deadline for the November *Quill* is Tuesday, October 23.**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> David Lapse out until Oct. 24 <b>7:00pm</b> 12-Step FA	<b>2</b> <b>7:00pm</b> Executive Committee	<b>3</b> Terry Out <b>9:30am</b> Sewing & Service <b>1:30pm</b> Girl Scouts <b>3:00pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>8:00pm</b> AA/Alanon/Alateen	<b>4</b> <b>7:00pm</b> Chancel Choir	<b>5</b> Barb out today John Bryant out until 10/08 <b>4:00pm</b> Girl Scouts Bridging Ceremony	<b>6</b> <b>10:00am</b> Alanon Women <b>3:00pm</b> Community Music Jam <b>7:00pm</b> AA-Shanty Trudgers
<b>7</b> David Bowen, org. Family Sunday Terry Kylo, guest pastor <b>8:00am</b> Worship <b>9:00am</b> Adult Forum <b>10:30am</b> Worship	<b>8</b> <b>7:00pm</b> 12-Step FA <b>7:00pm</b> ALZ Caregiver's Support	<b>9</b> <b>12:00pm</b> After-Word <b>7:00pm</b> Church Council	<b>10</b> <b>9:30am</b> Sewing & Service <b>8:00pm</b> AA/Alanon/Alateen	<b>11</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Girl Scouts <b>7:00pm</b> Chancel Choir	<b>12</b> <b>10:00am</b> Quilt-Tying Event	<b>13</b> <b>7:45am</b> 12-Step FA <b>8:30am</b> Men's Ministry <b>10:00am</b> Alanon Women <b>7:00pm</b> AA-Shanty Trudgers
<b>14</b> David Bowen, org. Terry Kylo, guest pastor <b>8:00am</b> Worship <b>9:00am</b> Adult Forum <b>9:30am</b> ForKIDS <b>10:30am</b> Worship	<b>15</b> <b>7:00pm</b> 12-Step FA <b>7:00pm</b> QALCW Circle <b>7:00pm</b> Northern Lights	<b>16</b> <b>12:00pm</b> After-Word <b>5:30pm</b> PDQs	<b>17</b> <b>9:30am</b> Sewing & Service <b>1:30pm</b> Girl Scouts <b>6:00pm</b> Dinner and After-Word <b>6:30pm</b> KidSpace <b>8:00pm</b> AA/Alanon/Alateen	<b>18</b> Bishop's Convocation <b>7:00pm</b> Chancel Choir	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>10:00am</b> Alanon Women <b>4:00pm</b> Faith & Film <b>7:00pm</b> AA-Shanty Trudgers
<b>21</b> <b>8:00am</b> Worship <b>9:00am</b> Adult Forum <b>9:30am</b> ForKIDS <b>10:30am</b> Worship	<b>22</b> <b>7:00pm</b> 12-Step FA	<b>23</b> <b>12:00pm</b> After-Word	<b>24</b> <b>9:30am</b> Sewing & Service <b>3:00pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:00pm</b> Dinner and After-Word <b>6:30pm</b> KidSpace <b>8:00pm</b> AA/Alanon/Alateen	<b>25</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Girl Scouts <b>7:00pm</b> Chancel Choir	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>10:00am</b> Alanon Women <b>7:00pm</b> AA-Shanty Trudgers
<b>28</b> Blessing of the Quilts Reformation Sunday <b>8:00am</b> Worship <b>9:30am</b> ForKIDS <b>10:30am</b> Worship <b>1:00pm</b> Centennial Celebration and Luncheon	<b>29</b> <b>7:00pm</b> QA Book Group <b>7:00pm</b> 12-Step FA	<b>30</b> <b>11:00am</b> After-Word <b>6:00pm</b> Budget Planning Meeting	<b>31</b> <b>9:30am</b> Sewing & Service <b>1:30pm</b> Girl Scouts <b>3:00pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>8:00pm</b> AA/Alanon/Alateen			