

June 2026

## Memorial Pavilion Dedication

On **Saturday, June 13 at 1pm** we will dedicate All Saints' new Memorial Pavilion for parish and community use. Please join us!

The idea for this facility began with canopies we put up during the Covid pandemic, which allowed us to meet safely outdoors. When those temporary structures reached the end of their lifespan after a few years, we realized how many people had come to depend on having a comfortable, shaded place to gather, and how much being able to provide such a place had contributed to the life of both parish and community.

After prayer and discernment, our vestry approved building a permanent structure, using several bequests that had been set aside to support mission and ministry. Our hope is that it will be another way we "equip the saints to seek and serve Christ in all people," and for gathering, celebration, and connection, for many years to come.

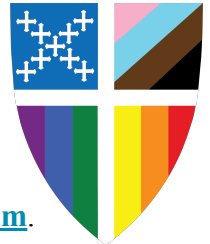


## Tri-Cities Pride

All Saints' will once again have a booth at the annual Tri-Cities Pride festival on **Sunday, June 14, from 11am-5pm** at Memorial Park in Pasco! Stop by or volunteer at our booth to help spread the important

message that God loves everyone with no exceptions, and that ALL are welcome at All Saints'.

Event setup starts at 8am, with teardown around 6pm. If you are interested in helping out with set up, tear down, or staffing the booth, sign up in the narthex or contact Caleb Thomas at [cmtthomas001@gmail.com](mailto:cmtthomas001@gmail.com).



## Senior Warden's Update

In preparation for Rev. Jane's retirement, the vestry met with the Diocesan Transition Minister, the Rev. Canon Susan Cleveley, on May 27. The vestry will be preparing to select a chaplain (a lay person) to serve in the Calling Process.

We need to keep in mind that this is not a hiring process, but a discerning of God's will for us. There will be changes to our website to inform any priest looking for a new position; this will be our "profile."

The vestry has determined that we will call an interim priest while the search process takes place. Susan is working hard to find us an interim priest, to start after Jane's retirement. Check the Wednesday word for updates as things begin to happen.

Save the date for Rev. Jane's retirement celebration on **August 30!** We will have one service at 9am, followed by a potluck with fun and games. Hold All Saints' in your prayers and the work of the vestry in particular, as we try to discern God's will for us and our future.

## Adult Formation

After Pentecost, Adult Formation will resume our summertime practice of meeting in the parish hall between services to reflect on scripture together.

“Sing to the Lord a New Song” is our diocesan theme for the year, so we will focus on passages which help us reflect on the ways that we are called, literally and figuratively, to “sing a new song” in our lives. Please join us in the parish hall each Sunday at 9:15am, as we open our Bibles and our hearts together.

June 7: 1 Samuel 2:1-10 (*Hannah’s song*)

June 14: 2 Chronicles 6:12-42  
(*King Solomon blesses the temple*)

June 21: Isaiah 42:10-12, 43:18-21  
(*God’s work calls forth praise*)

June 28: Exodus 15:1-2, 20-21  
(*Songs of Moses and Miriam*)

Grab your cup of coffee or tea and join us Sundays at 9:15am. Hope to see you there!

## Children and Youth Ministries – June 2026

**Teacher Appreciation, May 31.** We made a rather last-minute swap with Graduate Recognition and Teacher Appreciation, so our teacher appreciation Sunday took place on May 31. I want to recognize our hardworking Children and Youth Ministry volunteers and thank them for their dedication and commitment of time to our young people!

On this Sunday, at the 10:15 service, we honored our Sunday School teachers, Youth Group leaders, and Children’s Chapel leaders who have volunteered so much of their time and energy this past year. If you see these people, please thank them for their ministry!

Godly Play teachers: **Katy O’Callaghan, Cheryl Smith, Andie Slonecker, Lisa Newburn, Diane Goheen, Cynthia Sanford**

Youth class: **Amanda Riedinger, Andy Gilbert**

Youth Group leaders: **Theresa Grate, Teri Bartol, Elizabeth Arnold, John Spencer, Marlo Wallace**

Children’s Chapel leaders: **Rachel Loer, Lisa Newburn, Cynthia Sanford, Theresa Grate, Blake Slonecker, Alex Stone, Katie Maikis, Lilly Wallace, Iris Slonecker.**

Our Godly Play and Youth classes take a break over the summer, but Children’s Chapel continues at the 10:15 service. If you are interested in helping with our children and youth ministries in the future, please see Theresa Grate!

**High School Graduate Recognition, June 7.** Join us as we celebrate our graduating senior, Calix Smith, at the 10:15 service this day!

**VBS Prep Days in June.** We will be preparing for our upcoming Vacation Bible School on these Thursdays: **June 4, 11, 18, and July 9.** Join us at the church anytime between 10am and 2pm on those days; bring a lunch if you wish. We have a variety of projects to work on, including some paper maché. VBS volunteers will have the opportunity to tie-dye their VBS shirts on July 9th.



**Children’s Chapel through the summer.** Children’s Chapel does continue through the summer. Held during the beginning of the 10:15 service, it is a child-friendly Liturgy of the Word with time for play before coming up to join the rest of the congregation for Holy Communion. Kids age 3 up to 6th graders are welcome, as are friends and visitors. We meet in the multi-purpose room downstairs beginning about 10:00am - please sign in your child when dropping them off.

**Leaders in Training (LIT), June 29–July 2.**

Interested in being a counselor at Camp Cross? If you will be entering 10th grade in the fall, or older (adults, too!) and are willing to volunteer a week of your summer mentoring young people, please consider being a camp counselor. All counselors must attend this leadership training. Cost is \$100 (covers room and board at camp) and All Saints’ can provide scholarship money if needed. Visit [www.campcross.org](http://www.campcross.org) for more info and to register.

**Scholarships for Camp Cross.** We want everyone to be able to enjoy all that our diocesan camp has to offer. Any student attending Camp Cross for the first time is eligible for a full scholarship from All Saints' First Timer Fund. Returning campers can apply for a full or partial scholarship from the Robison Fund.

Contact Theresa Grate in the church office for more information. Camp session information and registration is available at [www.campcross.org](http://www.campcross.org).

## New Outreach Chair

After several years of service, Gayle Ransom has stepped down from being the chairperson of All Saints' Outreach Committee. Long-time member **Cindy Cross** has graciously stepped into that role!



Cindy joined the Outreach Committee in February of 2009, shortly after she and her husband, Paul, moved to the Tri-Cities. She found a welcoming group of parishioners on that committee, who were passionate about helping others, both locally and

around the world. Cindy has stayed with Outreach all these years because she likes helping people and supporting the many different organizations that *your* donations benefit.

You probably have seen Cindy serving as a coffee hour host, and helping with various projects over the years; she especially likes organizing the food for the annual Outreach fundraiser, and stuffing Easter eggs for the annual hunt and senior baskets.

As the chairperson, Cindy hopes to interest new people in joining Outreach, to keep donations coming in, and to try some new and different fundraising events, while also keeping the monthly Zoom meetings short. If you have an idea for a future event or want more information on Outreach, please contact her at [cindy\\_n\\_paul@yahoo.com](mailto:cindy_n_paul@yahoo.com) or come to a Zoom meeting on the first Monday of every month! Contact the office for the Zoom meeting info.

## Saints and Sinners

Saints and Sinners will meet for their monthly social hour and potluck dinner at All Saints' **Friday, June 19**, weather permitting, in the Memorial Pavilion for the first time! (When we tried it in April weather did not permit). Saints and Sinners is a social group open to all adults of the parish and we are delighted to have additional folks join us. Since no one has volunteered to host, please come prepared to help set up tables and chairs.

We have a social hour from 6 to 6:30 or 6:45pm with wine and non-alcoholic beverages, and eat dinner after. Couples bring either a main dish or two sides (starter, salad, side dish, or dessert); singles bring one of these. We expect to use the kitchen to keep dishes warm or refrigerated as needed. Also, please bring your own table service if possible, and if you have one, a shatter proof wine glass. We will have some extras if you don't - I think they are safer than glass stemware outside.

We will have a signup sheet in the narthex the preceding Sunday or you can call or text Linda Munson at 509-521-8981. If you don't sign up you can still come as we have ample tables and chairs.

## Summer Movie Nights

June means summertime, and that means Christian Witness movie nights are back! Please mark your calendars to join us once each month at 6pm for a potluck supper followed by a film and lively discussion. Here's what's coming!

### June 23: "Just Mercy" (PG-13)

A powerful and thought-provoking true-story, Just Mercy follows world-renowned civil rights defense attorney Bryan Stevenson's battle to free a wrongly condemned death row prisoner.





### July 21: "Spotlight" (R)

Reporters at the Boston Globe uncover the scandal of child molestation and cover-up within the local Catholic Archdiocese that reverberates around the globe; based on their Pulitzer Prize-winning investigation.

### August 18: "Cabrini" (PG-13)

After witnessing disease and poverty in the slums of New York, Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini embarks on a daring journey to persuade the hostile mayor to provide housing and healthcare for hundreds of orphaned children.



## Outreach Focus for June: Grace Clinic

This month we are collecting **new, unopened bottles of sunscreen and lip balm** for Grace Clinic. Grace Clinic's mission is "to demonstrate Christ's love by compassionately providing free healthcare to those in need."

Grace Clinic was founded by two local physicians who saw a need to provide medical care for low-income, uninsured residents of Benton and Franklin counties. This volunteer clinic is the only free clinic in the Tri-Cities providing medical, dental, and mental health services to uninsured adults in our community. Today, an estimated 38,000 people in our community are uninsured, many working in jobs without health benefits.

Grace Clinic began offering sunscreen to field workers a few years ago to help prevent skin cancer.

Your help will support Grace Clinic in continuing to fill essential healthcare gaps for the under-served.

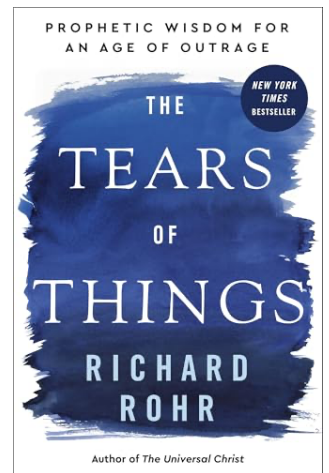
Bring new, unopened sunscreen and lip balm to the box in the narthex during June. Thank you for your support in this life-changing mission!

## All Saints' Book Group

The Book Group is taking June off. Our next book to read is *The Tears of Things* by Richard Rohr. This new work by Rohr, a prominent spiritual voice and ecumenical teacher, "paves a path of enlightenment for anyone seeking a compassionate way of living in a hurting world."

He takes a look at the prophets' writings in the Bible to find ways to deal with private disappointments, anger at an unjust world, and compassion in the face of violence and despair. It is an approach that honors the interconnectedness of every living being, and the reality of a divine and universal love.

We will meet to discuss this book on **Thursday, July 23**, beginning at 6pm in the parish hall with a potluck dinner. Everyone is welcome!



## Endowments at All Saints'

There are currently two endowments supporting All Saints'. One is a traditional endowment where the interest from the earnings (or portion of the interest) can be used for operating expenses. For example, if the pledge income is insufficient to cover our expenses, then a portion of the interest/dividends earned from the previous year could be used to assist the parish. There are no limits on what it can be used for except the principal is safe and can never be spent. This is called the **Operating Endowment**. Its current balance is about \$200,000.

The other is called the **Capital Endowment**. The interest and earnings from this fund can be used by a

vote of the vestry and its principal could potentially be used for major building projects by vote of both the vestry and the congregation. Its balance is almost \$400,000.

If anyone leaves money to All Saints' Church in their will, it can go into several different funds. If you don't specify where you would like your money to go, then the decision is left to the vestry. Often, it is placed in the **Undesignated Memorials Fund**. This cannot be used for operating expenses, but rather special projects or particular needs that enhance the ministry of the church; for example, new vestments and the Memorial Pavilion.

To specify that your gift goes to a particular fund or one of the endowments, it must be made clear by the donor. If you intend to donate money to the church upon your death you can either indicate which fund you would like for it to be put into in your will, or you can simply put **All Saints** in your will and let the office know (in writing) your wishes.

Finally, one does not need to wait until death to donate to either of these funds. Some of us are given the opportunity to donate money from our IRAs tax free so that they reduce our taxable required minimum distributions (RMDs) and thereby benefit the church and reduce our annual taxes while we are enjoying retirement. If you would like further information on any of these avenues, please contact Rev. Jane or a member of the endowment committee (Ed Temple, Liz Carter, Steve Goheen, or Elizabeth Arnold).

## VBS 2026: July 13-17

Our theme for this summer's VBS at All Saints' is **"Living Water."** Our stories will include Creation, Jesus Stills a Storm, and the Woman at the Well. Art and science will involve water, and we will have a dedicated time to play in the water at the end of each day. We will end the week with our traditional potluck lunch, and sing a song in church on the Sunday following VBS week (July 19).

VBS will be held July 13-17, from 9am to noon, Monday through Friday, and is open to campers age

4 up through 6th grade (just finished 5th grade). The cost is \$15 per camper and camperships are available if needed - we want everyone to come to VBS! Invite your friends! Register now at <https://bit.ly/vbs2026registration>.

VBS would not happen without all of our wonderful volunteers, so if you are a youth in 7th–12th grade, or an adult, and would like to help at VBS this summer, please see Theresa Grate. Prep days are June 4, 11, 18, and July 9, from 10am to 2pm, so come help us get ready. Contact Theresa at [school@allsaintsrichland.org](mailto:school@allsaintsrichland.org) with any questions.

### ***Wanted for VBS:***

*These items can be dropped off in the church office, or brought in on a Sunday:*

- corks
- various craft materials that will float: wooden craft sticks, craft foam, small plastic tubs (like from cream cheese, margarine, or yogurt—wider than they are tall).
- small, tropical houseplants that will work in a terrarium—please contact Theresa if you might have some.
- potting soil
- gravel or small pebbles (like for an aquarium, or of similar size)
- food donation list will be out soon



## May Vestry Summary

The All Saints' Vestry met on May 18. During its formation time, they discussed chapter three of *Following Jesus in a Culture of Fear*, which explores the relationship between fear and love, along with why fearlessness is problematic.

The Vestry approved up to \$10,000 in matching funds to double the impact of parishioners who donate to help Camp Cross furnish its new cabins. In addition, they approved the purchase of a new projector for the parish hall and a contract to replace the church's gutters.

The Ministry Committee is busily planning or supporting the rummage sale (May 30), pavilion dedication (June 13), and internal ministry fair (October 11). Finally, the Vestry met with Diocesan Transition Minister, Reverend Susan Cleveley, to plan next steps in our search to call a new rector.

## Vestry Person of the Month

Introducing our latest Vestry Person of the Month: Marjie Mack!

Marjie Mack is a cradle Episcopalian and has been a member of All Saints' since moving here almost four years ago from Maryland. As a member of the Vestry, she is on the Administration Committee and also leads Pastoral Care ministries.



Marjie is loving living here, with two sons now in Eastern Washington and other relatives in the Seattle area and California. She would love to get to know you, too!

## Camp Cross 2026

Dates have been released for this summer's camps! There are a few new sessions this year. You can find out more about each session at [campercross.org](http://campercross.org).

Labor of Love 2: June 5-10

Faith Formation Retreat: June 19-23

Leaders in Training (LIT): June 29-July 2

Days at the Lake: July 2-5

Mini Camp: July 6-9

High School Camp: July 12-17

Intermediate Camp: July 20-24

Arts and Music Camp: July 27 - 31

Mid-High Camp: August 3-8

Clergy Camp: August 10-13

Queer Camp: August 28-31

Labor Day Family Camp: September 4-7

We want everyone to be able to enjoy all that our diocesan camp has to offer. Scholarships are available; see pg. 3 for more information.

## We Give Thanks...

- to the many youth and adult leaders who made our Spring Youth-Senior Tea so wonderful! Thanks to Avery and Claire Gilbert, Bethany Riedinger, Chloe Kessler, Calix Smith, Lilly Wallace, and "honorary youth" Elizabeth Arnold, John Spencer, Rev. Jane Schmoetzer, and Rev. Jan Griffin for hosting tables; and to Marlo Wallace, Teri Bartol, and Robin Spencer for heading up the kitchen. Always a lovely time!
- to the marvelous helpers with the Pentecost shirts this year. Parish members made 26 new shirts, and they look great! Thanks to Richelle Wilde, Susan Pigott, Katy O'Callaghan, Marjie Mack, Susi Czarnek, and Breanne O'Hare.
- to the many people who helped with the annual garage sale! Thanks to Meg Milligan, Theresa Grate, and Rachel Loer for spear-heading the planning; thanks to the Men's Group and Cub Scout Pack 231 for setting up and cleaning up after the sale; and thanks to all who hosted tables and volunteered in the youth room!
- to the Rev. Canon Susan Cleveley, for traveling to Richland to give our vestry guidance on the upcoming rector search.
- to all who have generously donated to the Camp Cross cabin fundraiser! At the time of publication, y'all have raised \$10,100! With another \$10,000 in matching funds, we can adopt TWO of the new cabins. Donations will be accepted until July 1.