

## EACH WEEK AT ST. BARNABAS

Day	Item	Time	Place
Sundays	Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8am	Church
	Holy Eucharist Rite II	10am	Church
	Godly Play	9:50am	Room with a View
Monday—Friday	Church Office Hours	9am-Noon	Office
Mondays	Reunion Prayer Group	11am-noon	Parlor
	Library Coordinator in Announcements Due	1pm-4pm By 5pm	Library Send to info@stbbi.org
	Centering Prayer	9am	Church
Tuesdays	Lectionary Bible Study	6:30pm	Parish Hall
Wednesdays	Healing Eucharist, Rite II	9am	Church
Thursdays	Choir Rehearsal	7:30pm	Choir Room
Saturdays	Altar Guild	9am	Church

## ST. BARNABAS STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Presiding Bishop & Primate | The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry  
 Bishop of Olympia | The Right Reverend Gregory H. Rickel  
 Rector | The Reverend Karen Haig

Assisting Priests | The Reverends Dr. Judith M. McDaniel, Nancy Tiederman, Dr. Jan C. Heller and Jim Friedrich  
 Assisting Priest for Contemplative Ministries | The Reverend Patricia Rome Robertson  
 Director of Music | Paul Roy

Parish Administrator | Cera Rodriguez  
 Bookkeeper | Julie Houck  
 Kitchen Manager | Jamie Villella  
 Sexton | Tom Clark  
 Interim Tenders | Cathy & Will Nickum  
 Godly Play Coordinator | Sue Thompkins  
 Housekeeper | Natalia Perez

Senior Warden | Will Nickum  
 Junior Warden for Buildings & Grounds | Randy Krause  
 Junior Warden for the People | Rosalys Peel  
 Vestry Members | Angie Bickerton, Carolyne Myers, Linda Maxson, Dave Teves, Will Nickum,  
 Paul Castanon, Kirk Eichenberger  
 Clerk of the Vestry | Rebecca Ditmore  
 Treasurer | Mike Killion Treasurer Emerita | Carol Milton  
 Chancellor | Katherine Bolles  
 Convention Delegates | Barbara Bolles, Katherine Bolles, Joan Collins, Su Beecham  
 Alternate Delegates | Karen & Tom Beierle  
 At-Large Delegates | Stu Case, George Robertson

Day School Director | Julia Lampa  
 Teachers | Kristi Barr, Debra Rogers, Amy Prentice, Mary Feeney, Karen Kolthoff

For more information about St. Barnabas Episcopal Church,  
 visit our website at [www.stbbi.org](http://www.stbbi.org) or call the church office at 206/842-5601.



### Worship & Prayer

#### SUNDAY

**8AM**  
 Holy Eucharist Rite I  
 followed by coffee and  
 community in the  
 Church Parlor

**10AM**  
 Holy Eucharist Rite II  
 followed by coffee and  
 community in  
 the Parish Hall

**5PM**  
 Contemplative Service  
 Every Third Sunday

#### TUESDAY

**9am**  
 Centering Prayer  
 in the Church

#### THURSDAY

**9am**  
 Healing Eucharist  
 in the Church

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## WELCOME TO ST. BARNABAS

### THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

February 2nd, 2020

We are delighted to welcome you to St Barnabas Episcopal Church. We hope you'll participate fully in our celebration through singing, prayer, hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ and coming to communion. If you are visiting or have been with us only a few times, we invite you to fill out a **blue pew card** so that we might get to know you and help you to know a bit more about us. If you have questions, please email our rector, Karen Haig, [revkaren@stbbi.org](mailto:revkaren@stbbi.org). Welcome!

### For Visitors and Newcomers

**LARGE PRINT PRAYER BOOKS (BCP) & DIGITAL RECEIVERS FOR AUDIO AMPLIFICATION** are available during services for those requiring hearing assistance. Please ask an usher.

**GLUTEN FREE EUCHARISTIC HOSTS** are available for those who need them. Please ask the priest at communion.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGES 4-11** is offered at 9:50am each Sunday during the school year. Drop-off is in the library (please ask an usher for directions). At St Barnabas, children participate in Godly Play, a Montessori-based curriculum designed to immerse children in Bible stories where they can experience God, discover and explore their innately spiritual nature, and wonder together about the marvelous things God is doing! Children join their families in church for Communion. If you have questions, please contact the church office, [info@stbbi.org](mailto:info@stbbi.org) or Rev. Karen, [revkaren@stbbi.org](mailto:revkaren@stbbi.org).

**WE WELCOME ALL CHILDREN IN CHURCH, AND WE EXPECT THEM TO BE CHILDREN!** We also know that sometimes parents become uncomfortable with extreme wiggles, giggles, howls or hollers. If your little ones need a break, feel free to bring them to the Parlor (just across the plaza), where there is plenty of room to roam. We stream live audio from the church into the Parlor, so you won't miss a thing. There are Kid's Bags in the church entry, filled with crayons, puzzles and pictures to color. You'll also find a nursery at the end of the hallway, where there are rocking chairs and lots of amusement for little ones.

**COFFEE & COMMUNITY** Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parlor after the 8am service and in the Parish Hall after the 10am service.

**WELCOME TABLE** Visitors, newcomers and members are invited to the Parish Hall after the 10am service to learn about parish events, to volunteer for programs, and to learn more about our community. Be sure to sign up for a name tag when you visit the Welcome Table.

## ST. BARNABAS WOMEN'S RETREAT



**From Rev. Karen...**  
I am delighted to invite the women of St. Barnabas to a wonderful week-end of rest and renewal. We will have precious time alone, we will come to know ourselves and one another in ways

we never imagined, and we will return to our homes, our families, and our parish more connected with God, with one another, and with ourselves.

Space is limited, and your \$50 deposit secures your spot! Payment in full (\$275) is due by March 1st, 2020.

For more information contact Rev Karen at [revkaren@stbbi.org](mailto:revkaren@stbbi.org)

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JODY PRONGAY



A memorial service will be held for Jody Prongay on February 9th at 2pm, followed immediately by a reception in the parish hall.

## LENTEN REFLECTIONS



Last year our Lenten devotions included the pleasure of reading reflections written by our own parishioners and clergy. It's

time to begin our second annual Lenten Devotional and we would like for you to participate! Last year's writers described the experience of spiritual reflection and writing as "engaging," "very meaningful," "so spiritual," "challenging, in a good way!" and various other ways, all of which deepened their connection with God.

If you would like to write for our devotional, please email [revkaren@stbbi.org](mailto:revkaren@stbbi.org) and let us know!



Stewardship is a verb, a 'doing' word, and the act of stewardship shows up in many ways. By taking action to care for the building and grounds of St. Barnabas, we are stewarding this holy and special place. And in this work we are truly blessed to have Tom Clark, the St. Barnabas Sexton. Tom's role, both with hands-on repairs and coordinating maintenance, has saved our church some money. More importantly, his efforts are another embodiment of stewardship. Thank you Tom Clark!

## GETTING TO KNOW SUSAN K. HYLEN

Parishioner Judy Tingley is interviewing parishioners and helping them to share a bit of their stories with us. This is the ninth in her series of stories – look forward to more of them in the future. Thanks, Judy, for helping us get to know each other a bit better!

Sue grew up in Nashua, New Hampshire with three younger brothers. Her family attended the Unitarian Universalist Church in Nashua, where her father served on the Board of Trustees and her mother taught Sunday school. What a great combination! Not all of Sue's relations were Unitarian Universalists. Instead of following his family to the Universalist Church, Sue's grandfather attended Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Nashua and her Canadian aunt and uncle attended the Anglican Church in Canada throughout their lives. They became a strong influence in Sue's spiritual journey.

An adventure seeker, Sue decided to move to Seattle. She attended the University of Washington where she completed her teaching degree — and met Stephen Hylan, her future husband. After graduating, Sue accepted a 6th grade teaching position with the Concrete School District. Over spring break in 1979, Sue and Stephen married and built a house on the beautiful Skagit River. And few years later, the traveling Hylens decided to move to Bainbridge Island where they raised their 2 daughters, Catherine Arnett Hylan & Stephanie Anne Hylan.

In her twenties, Sue had experienced an indefinable feeling, a need for something more. That feeling waned, but again, later in life, Sue felt that she needed something more, though she didn't comprehend exactly what that something more was. But in 1987, when her daughter Stephanie began attending St Barnabas Day School, Sue began attending St Barnabas Church. The beautiful historic sanctuary and the warm, welcoming congregation immediately drew her in. She quickly engaged in a variety of activities and studied for her confirmation. She had found that something more she had been seeking for so long.

In 1986, Sue began to attend the Bainbridge Island Writers Workshop, where poetry was taught by Bob McAllister and Nancy Rekow. In honor of her 50th birthday, she self-published Double Exposure, a book of poems and photographs.

Read more at [www.stbbi.org/gettingtoknoweachother/](http://www.stbbi.org/gettingtoknoweachother/)

## WHAT IS THAT MONEY DOING ON THE ALTAR NEXT TO ALL THE HOLY THINGS?

At least one very thoughtful parishioner has voiced this question and there may be others of you who have similar questions. Perhaps you find the offering plates on the altar distracting. Perhaps you find them not "holy." Perhaps you think our focus during Holy Communion ought to be only on the bread and the wine. And perhaps you don't. But the question is a good one - Why is that most secular of all symbols – money – there on the altar when the bread and the wine are consecrated?

Let's begin by talking about the bread and the wine. Something I love dearly about the sacrament of Holy Communion is that God uses the most ordinary things of our lives – bread kneaded and shaped and baked by human hands, and wine made from grapes grown in the region and pressed by community members. In the early church, the bread and the wine varied, depending on what grew in and around the church community. The reason they were precious had a lot to do with the humanity they were imbued with. We Episcopalians are incarnational people and so the stuff of life – bread, wine, our bodies as well as our souls are all alive with God's own Holy Spirit. We too are imbued with God's divinity. We too are holy. It's why I always invite you to communion by saying "The gifts of God for the people of God. Holy things, for Holy people."

I insist that the money stay on the altar when the elements of communion are consecrated, because every penny in those plates represents us, represents something we gave up in our lives to put it there. In the offering we are offered the opportunity to give in to the amazing and wonderful impulse to be generous with ourselves and with all we've been given. The money we offer is a representation of our giving – sweat, body and blood. Yes, it is messy. Humans are messy. We are messy. But God in Christ Jesus came not just to be with us, but to become one of us. God incarnated in the very messiness of humanity. And we need to remember that we are God's chosen dwelling place. God makes everything holy.

Sometime ago we started passing the offering plate so that every single person could touch it, so every single person could be represented up there on the altar, so that every single person could be, in the act of communion, consecrated, made holy, set apart, for God. As Episcopalians, we believe that Jesus is really, truly present in the consecrated bread and wine. We also believe that Jesus is really truly present in each other. Remember that a sacrament is an outward and visible sign, and that leaving the offering plates on the altar – plates that every single one of you has touched – is a sign of our willingness not just to return all that God has given us, back to God, but also a sign of our becoming holy and set apart for God in the sacrament of Holy Communion. It's the same reason people who aren't ordained now stand at the altar when the consecration is happening. God has made us holy – not just the priest, but all of us. God has made us holy and the more ways we can remind ourselves of that, the more ways we can exemplify that, the more ways we can help the world to see that every single person is set apart, holy and precious to God, the more deeply we live into our vocations as Christians.

## PLANNING YOUR NEXT PARISHIONER EVENT AT ST. BARNABAS

**From Cera Rodriguez...**

When planning your next gathering or event at St. Barnabas, we ask that you follow these guidelines:

**Make reservations in advance.** Our calendar is buzzing with events, so it is best to call or email the front office as soon as you wish to schedule a meeting, gathering, or event so we can help you!

**Submit your notice for our weekly materials on time.** Submit your blurbs for the email blast and the wrapper no later than Monday of the week you wish to run your notice.

**Please provide one point of contact for the office staff.** We love to see a collaborative effort, however for ease of communication, please appoint one person as the point of contact to make your reservation and to complete rental agreements.

**Complete a rental agreement with the front office.** Please complete a rental agreement even if you are not being charged for the space you are renting. This helps us understand your needs, and how we can best serve you as facility coordinators. Our staff is happy to help in a number of ways however there are various tasks that are the responsibility of the coordinator and/or group. The rental agreement outlines everyone's responsibilities and will help ensure a successful event!

**Tell the office what you need at least one week prior to your event.** We are a small staff, and we want to help you! If you have signage, printing or other needs for your gathering, please let us know as soon as possible. At any given time we are coordinating multiple events and we may not be able to assist without enough lead time. Please contact me at 206-842-5601 or email [cera@stbbi.org](mailto:cera@stbbi.org) when planning your next event. Thank you all for the privilege of working with each of you. I am happy to answer any questions or address any concerns you all may have, and I am looking forward to another wonderful year of programming!

## THIS TUESDAY WILL BE THE LAST GATHERING OF THE FALL/WINTER BOOK STUDY

We will explore possibilities and new ways of engaging with Divine Life through Jesus and beyond as we contemplate the various sections of this book and share our own experiences of the presence of God in our world. Join us!

Meeting: St. Barnabas Library, 9:45 am – 11 am (after 9 am Centering Prayer in the Chapel)

Date and chapter covered:

February 4

Chapters 15-17