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The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Proper 23

October 13, 2013



The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

Gathering Music

The King of glory

The King of Glory

Refrain: The King of Glory comes, the nation
 rejoices.
 Open the gates before him, lift up
 your voices.

1. Who is the King of Glory; how shall we call
 Him?
 He is Emmanuel, the promised of ages.
2. In all of Galilee, in city or village.
 He goes among His people curing their
 illness.
3. Sing then of David's son, our Savior and
 brother;
 in all of Galilee was never another.
4. He gave his life for us, the pledge of
 salvation.
 He took upon himself the sins of the nation.
5. He conquered sin and death; He truly has
 risen.
 and He will share with us His heavenly
 vision.

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Procession to the Altar Hymn #410

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and
 Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now
 and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires
 known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse
 the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of
 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,
 and worthily magnify your holy Name; through
 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Gloria said at 8am; May We Praise You sung at
 10am - *Printed on page _____ of the Worship Guide*)

Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from 2 Kings (5:1-3, 7-15c)

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the

man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111 (Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * **in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**
- 2 **Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.**
- 3 **His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.**
- 4 **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**
- 5 **He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.**
- 6 **He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.**
- 7 **The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.**
- 8 **They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.**
- 9 **He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name.**
- 10 **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.**

A Reading from 2 Timothy (2:8-15)

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful--
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn vs. 1 *Only in God* Only In God

1. Only in God is my soul at rest,
In him comes my salvation.
He only is my rock, my strength and my salvation.
My stronghold, my Savior, I shall not be afraid at all.
My stronghold, my Savior, I shall not be moved.

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke (17:11-19)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to

the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn vs. 2 *Only in God* Only In God

2. Only in God is found safety,
When my enemies pursue me.
Only in God is found glory,
When I am found meek and found lowly.
My stronghold, my Savior, I shall not be afraid at all.
My stronghold, my Savior, I shall not be moved.
Only in God is my soul at rest,
In him comes my salvation.

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The Sermon *Fr. Haynes*

Silence for reflection

The Nicene Creed (Standing, as able.)

We believe in one God, / **the Father, the Almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, / the only Son of God, / eternally begotten of the Father, / God from God, Light from Light. / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, / of one Being with the Father. / Through him all things were made. / For us and for our salvation / he came down from heaven: / by the power of the Holy Spirit / he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. / For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; / he suffered death and was buried. / On the third day he rose again / in accordance with the Scriptures; / he ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in

glory to judge the living and the dead, / and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son. / With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. / He has spoken through the Prophets. / We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. / We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. / We look for the resurrection of the dead, / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion for the Diocese of Tamale, Ghana - West Africa, our diocese, especially for Center for Spiritual Development; Community of the Paraclete; Little Sisters of St. Clare; The Third Order of Society St. Francis; Community of the Lamb and our parish; especially for our parishioners Anna Jackson; Samuel Kamau & Damaris, Moses, Zawadi Chege; John & Leanne Kennedy.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Barack our President, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially Andrew, Justin, Maxwell, Josh, Michael, Sarah, and for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and

love one another as he loves us. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lynn, Lyn, Ginny, Mary, Areewa, Bruce, Eloise, Ryan, Alex, Dar, Tim and his family, Justo, Rita, Stephen, Dave, Gail, Terri, Jerry and Peggy, Chris, Mary, Saray, Tomas, Lisa, Trish, Michael, Linda and for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially for Gordy, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

Offertory Hymn

Jesus is present to heal

Jesus is present to heal

1. Gather together to praise his name.
Gather together to praise his name.
Gather together to praise his name.
Jesus is present to heal.
2. When you feel all hope is gone,
When you're standing all alone,
He will hear your faintest cry.
Jesus is present to heal.
3. Jesus is the only way,
He will wipe your tears away.
Though the world seems dark and gray,
Jesus is present to heal.
4. Draw near and worship him.
Draw near and worship him.
Draw near and worship him.
Jesus is present to heal.
5. Rise and take your healing now.
Rise and take your healing now.
Rise and take your healing now.
Jesus is present to heal.

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The Great Thanksgiving C

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

- Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the

planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus 8:00 am (spoken) 10:00 am Sanctus (sung)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are invited to come forward for a blessing and are encouraged to speak with one of the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body. Gluten free hosts are available upon request at the rail.

Communion Music

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy one,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong,'
Let the poor say, 'I am rich,'
because of what the Lord has done for us!
Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy one,
Give thanks because He's given,
Jesus Christ, His Son. Give thanks. Give thanks.

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After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN**

Lord's Prayer *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

Be glorified

In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In my home Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my home Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my words Lord, be glorified, be glorified today.

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

*To be used when the need is present to
Send out Lay Eucharistic Ministers*

Priest: In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

Presider and People: **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the

Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Procession to the Neighborhood

Be Exalted, O God

Be Exalted, O God

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the people.

I will sing praises to Thee among the nations. For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens,

And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let thy glory be over all the earth.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

I will give thanks to Thee. O Lord, among the people.

I will sing praises to Thee among the nations. For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens,

And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let thy glory be over all the earth.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let Thy glory, let Thy Glory,

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

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St. Matthew Mission Statement

St. Matthew Church: To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Special Ministers Today

Priest	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
Worship Leader	Bob Witter
Eucharistic Minister	Dick Elofson
Lector	Pamela Reed
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Ushers	Dick Collins Daniel Dawes

Greeters	Dick & Linda Collins
Eucharistic Visitor	Chuck & Lynn Zimmerman
Bread Maker	Marian Oberg
Altar Guild	Sueann Goretti Janet Witter Danielle Hull Linda Pomeroy-Hull
Counters	Linda Collins Dick Elofson
Nursery	Sarah Dawes
Coffee Hour	Dick & Terry Elofson John Hibben
Bell Ringer	Bailey Lindstrom
Altar Guild Directress	Janet Witter

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Announcements

Fire Alarm testing—Thursday, October 17 at 9:00am

Special Guest: On Sunday, October 20th we will have as our special guest preacher Ken Hawkins who is the Executive Director of our very own

Mission to Seafarers in Seattle. Ken was one of the guest presenters at this year's diocesan Stewardship Conference and will be offering us in his sermon and presentation at the 11:30 AM coffee hour the power of storytelling with regard to conveying the church's mission. This will be a particularly lively and thoughtful Sunday, so be sure to be here and bring your friends!

Bridging the Gap—Next week, October 20th we will be watching and discussing lecture 20, "Kant-Evil at the Root of Human Agency". **Bridging the Gap** is an informal, drop-in series of discussions that bridges the gap between the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services. The number of attendees/participants continues to grow. So come join us for coffee, conversation, fellowship and a stimulating discussion.

Update on the Memorial Garden—Two new benches have been installed in the Memorial Garden, near the entry. They will provide a place for quiet reflection for those visiting the Garden. More spring bulbs will be planted this fall to add beautiful color to the grounds.

Adult Cate-WHAT???—Introducing the Adult Catechumenate! Beginning October 17, 2013, our Adult Catechumenate will explore with great depth and lively engagement topics such as Holy Scripture, Salvation History, Church History, the Book of Common Prayer, and much, much more. Whether you are new to the Church or old, seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Reception into the Church or just interested in growing more in your faith, come and enjoy. Two class options are available: Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM **or** Friday mornings at 9:00 AM. Please contact Fr. Haynes (fatherkendall@gmail.com) for more information. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex.

St. Joseph-St. John— will hold its annual gala auction fund raiser on Saturday, October 19. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. It will include soup, salad, main course, and rolls accompanied by wine, coffee and dessert. There will be great prizes to win, auction items to bid on and gifts to buy. This year's theme is "Walk on the Wild Side." Please join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship at this festive celebration.

Announcements (continued):

Tickets are \$20 each. Please call the church by October 13 to make your reservations.

The church is located at 11111 Military Rd. SW (at the intersection of Military Rd. SW, Farwest Dr. SW, and 112th St. SW., Lakewood. Call (253) 584-6143 or email stjoseph-stjohn@hotmail.com for more information, to make reservations.

From your Outreach Commission—It has been suggested that we sponsor a CPR class for our Parish Community and others who may want to attend such a class. We wish to learn how many people would be interested in this type of training. Therefore, there will be a signup sheet on a clipboard in the narthex this coming Sunday. This sign up sheet will also allow you to give us your preference for when to schedule this class. The class will be taught by our local Fire fighters or EMTs. Thank you. Any questions please contact Jim Oberg at 253-927-9120

Opportunity to welcome Episcopalians to Tacoma!—we are helping welcome Convention delegates at the Diocesan Convention at the Hotel Murano on **November 8 and 9**. Registration tables will need St Matthew helpers on Friday morning and a brief time on Saturday. Additional hosts will be needed for convention attendees, especially Friday morning. **To volunteer, please call Terry Elofson, 253-670-1948, preferably before Monday, October 12. Please leave a message, if no answer.** Terry will help coordinate ride-sharing. ***Don't miss this opportunity to welcome friends and strangers to Tacoma.***

Proposed Budget for 2014—The Commissions at St Matthew are preparing their budgets for 2014. If you have ideas to share, now is a great time to talk to someone on the Commissions or to your Vestry members. Drafts of budget proposals are first being submitted on October 15th. So NOW is the time to get your ideas to the Commissions.

Your Talents—In the parish hall there are poster boards indicating the proposed activities for the next few months. Your help is needed. Take a look at the posters. Then write your ideas and suggestions and indicate which events you would like to support with your talents. **Keep watching as more plans will be posted over the next few weeks. Ideas welcome!**

Halloween: We are joining with BPIC to support their annual **Trunk or Treat** celebration at the Community Clubhouse on Sunday, October 27th at 6:00 pm. Participants decorate their cars for Halloween and then give out trick or treat goodies from the trunk of their car to neighborhood kids from ages 0 to 10. You can bring your own treats or BPIC will provide them. If you wish to join in with your car there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

St Matthew Community Winter Book Sale, Saturday, January 18th: Start collecting all those books, DVDs and CDs that you have been thinking about donating and start saving them for our sale. Ask your friends and neighbors to do the same. If you have questions, want to volunteer to work on the sale or have a great idea for the sale, contact Jackie Whorton at 927-3415, jgwhorton@msn.com or John Kennedy at 927-9254, johnakennedy@harbornet.com. There is a box in the Narthex for dropping off your donations of books, CDs and DVDs.

Mark your calendar—

- Men's Breakfast, every Saturday 8-9AM in the Parish Hall
- Tuesday, October 15, 9:30AM – 3:30PM PNEHS retreat
- Fire Alarm testing, October 17, 9:00AM
- Friday, October 25, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing), in the Parish Hall
- Diocesan Convention 2013, November 8-9 at Murano Hotel, Tacoma