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The Printed Voice of St. Francis of the Tetons Episcopal Church

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Church Services

Sundays at 10:00am

Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 3pm

Friday 9am - noon

The Voice

"April showers bring May flowers". Not so much in Teton Valley where there's still snow in April and maybe a little bit in May. And not until late in May do we get our April showers, which seem to have been occurring daily as we have these droplets fall from the sky. Even though the weather hasn't been all that cooperative, we were still able to get quite a bit done around the church. In the past few weeks, the work has been significant and I for one am extremely grateful for all of those who have taken part in the efforts.

The Building and Grounds Committee met several weeks ago and on the agenda was the purchase of a lawn tractor for the church, so that volunteers could come and cut the grass as needed. Lo and behold, one of the members of the committee stepped up and was able to pull some strings. By the end of that day, with the help of a couple others, we had our new used lawn tractor that was graciously donated by an anonymous friend, the tractor was in perfect working order. This donation saved the church from expensing at least a couple thousand dollars.

We also had a recent spring cleanup day, the turnout was amazing. To my recollection I've never seen as many people turn out to help take care of some of the projects that were needed to be done. We had people planting and raking, people mowing and mulching as well as people cleaning and helping with the shed project. We even had a welder out to repair the damaged handrail on the back staircase. Everyone enjoyed a few hours of fellowship and elbow grease.

We've also been able to put the front entry construction project into a higher gear. The posts and beams are up, and the roof is currently being framed. There are some details to work out in terms of how the shape of the barrel on the interior ceiling will look, but that will come soon enough. We will continue to push to make progress as best as we can.

The last thing that I would like to mention is that the appreciation and love of music has inspired one of our members to offer a donation of a new/used grand piano for our musicians to play for years to come. I cannot fully express my gratitude for this especially generous gift. We are so wonderfully blessed to receive such an offering. My hope, as well as the hope of others, is that we at St. Francis can share this gift with the community so that many can enjoy the use of this premium level instrument. We will look to expand the use of this instrument and make it available in to others within the community so that this gift can be shared beyond the Sunday morning, time slot between 10 AM and 11 AM.

And so, it is with a glad heart I would just like to thank all of you for all you have done for Saint Francis of the Tetons. The efforts which you have all put forth do not go unnoticed, and I would like to offer my praise to all of you who are working to enrich the lives of those who spend time here, as well as in the surrounding community and beyond. As always, there's more to do. We will continue to push forward to complete the projects which are at hand, and we will look for new projects for the future. We will continue to work in faith to improve ourselves and the lives of others, because as Christians, it is our calling. Thank You and Keep Up the Good Work!

May God Keep and Bless You,

John

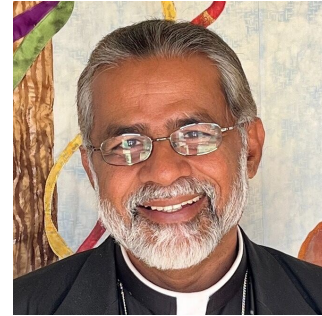
The Bishop's Annual Visit & Potluck Brunch

Bishop Jos Tharakan

will be at St. Francis for his Annual Visitation
on

Sunday, June 4th

Join us for a special service that day at 10 am
followed by a potluck brunch.
Bring a dish to share if you can



June Vestry Meeting



The June vestry meeting will take place with Bishop Jos on Sunday, June 4th after the Bishop's potluck brunch. The vestry will not be meeting on June 13th this month.

Father's Day



Father's Day Cookout

Sunday, June 18th after the 10 am service

Hot dogs & Hamburgers will be served
Bring a side dish or dessert to share if you can
All are Welcome!

Yard Sale is Coming August 12th

The St. Francis Annual Yard Sale

Will be held on Saturday, August 12th from 9 am until 1 pm.

Your help will be needed before, during, and after the sale.

Please talk to Deb Rouleau for more details. Sign up sheets will be placed at church in July.

YARD SALE

Yard Sale Donations Needed

WE NEED YOUR TREASURES!



We are now accepting donations for our 2023 annual Yard Sale.

Your gently used donations of

clothing, household items, sporting equipment, bedding, small furniture, baby items, and any other useful items are needed.

Please call the office if you have questions on larger items

You can bring your donations to the church when the office is open, on a Sunday, or you can leave them by the front door. The items can be brought into a designated room in the basement. Please do not donate any ripped or soiled clothing.

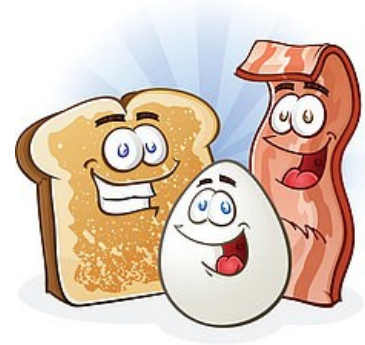
Men's Breakfast

The men in the church will be getting together again for a Men's Breakfast this

Saturday, June 3rd at 9 am.

All are welcome (men and women) to join us for a hearty breakfast with eggs, sausage, bacon, English muffins and orange juice.

Donations of breakfast items are always needed.



Ladies' Lunch



Join Us For A Potluck Lunch

Wednesday, June 7th at 12:30 pm.

You are invited to join us for our monthly potluck lunches that take place on the first Wednesday of the month.

This lunch is for all. Please bring a dish and friend if you can.

Spring Benefit Production

Our own Hannah Hoth, as well as other community members that we know enrolled in Summit School of the Arts, will be performing in this dance production on June 10th at 4 pm at Teton High School.

Join us to explore where we've been, where we are, and where we're going. Don't have a family member participating? No problem! This show is sure to be fun and inspiring for all ages.

We have invited the Seniors West of the Tetons to be a part of this event and to share with you some ways that they're contributing to our community!

There is a processing fee of \$1.50 per ticket for online purchases. Tickets will be available at the door for \$15. Children under 4 are free. Tickets are \$10 if you order now on: <https://buy.tututix.com/summitschoolofthearts>.



May Review



Mother's Day



Above: Gayle Lien and Toni Hill share a special moment during the Mother's Day brunch.

Middle Right: Toni Hill's grandson eyes the desserts on the table.

Right: A fun time was had by all during the Mother's Day brunch.



Above: Steve and Jennifer Kruto make the cutest couple!

Below: Rod Gust and Geno Forsythe take a moment to catch up with each other during the yard cleanup.



Below Middle: John Parisee has fun with the newly donated lawn tractor.

Church Cleanup



Left: John Librett & Geno Forsythe show us how to be church gardeners.

Below: Tom Balben delivers the mulch for the church cleanup.



Right: Kevin McCarthy jumps in to help with the weeding.

Far Right: Wood Palmer washes the church windows.





Far Left: Katrina Runyan comes with a car full of beautiful donated flowers.

Thank you Katrina!

Left: Steve Kruto and John Parisee work on the new shed out back.

Right: Beverly Charette is the cheerful raker!



Online Giving With Realm

Giving is easy with online giving through our St. Francis Realm account.

Through Realm you can set up online giving so it automatically comes out of your checking or credit card account each month. You also have the control to give just one time or numerous times, whenever you feel inclined to make a donation.



To donate online please follow this link or the link on the front page of our website

<https://onrealm.org/StFrancis99835/give/now>

Your donations matter!

Weekly Attendance & Offering

May 7	28	\$805.00
May 14	28	\$888.00
May 21	26	\$ 2,347.00
May 28	27	\$ 1,395.00



Prayers of the People

Please remember in your prayers:

Jim, Sara Reinke, Rod Gust, Jennifer Robinson, Graham McNair, Larry Stokely, Hansine Goran, Tommy Huss, as well as all faith Communities and schools of Teton Valley.



June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Nell Hanson - June 23rd
 Lisa Wagener - June 24th
 Ed Hoth - June 27th

Anniversaries

Ron & Gayle Lien - June 5th
 Jim & Connie Steele - June 24th



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June Service Volunteers

June 4

Trinity Sunday—Bishop's Visit
Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Rt. Rev. Jos Tharakan
Deacon: Rev. Nancy Groshart
Musician: Beverly Charette
Euch. Minister: John Parisee
Lector: Jerry Groshart
Greeter/Usher: Nancy Parisee
Altar Guild: Nancy Parisee
Refreshments: Bishop's Visit
Potluck Brunch

June 11

Pentecost 2
Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr. Coke McClure
Musician: Rev. Eric Moehring
Euch. Minister: Ruth Lindstedt
Lector: Angie Warner
Greeter/Usher: Alec McArthur
Altar Guild: Sarah Balben
Refreshments: Potluck

June 18

Pentecost 3
Morning Prayer

Presider: Rev. Nancy Groshart
Musician: Beverly Charette
Lay Minister: Sarah Balben
Lector: Nancy Parisee
Greeter/Usher: Barb Rieb
Altar Guild: Angie Warner
Refreshments: Father's Day Potluck

June 25 Pentecost 4 Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr. Coke McClure
Musician: Beverly Charette
Euch. Minister: Nancy Parisee
Lector: John Parisee
Greeter/Usher: John Parisee
Altar Guild: Nancy Parisee
Refreshments: Potluck

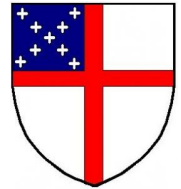


Thank You
Volunteers

The graphic features the text "Thank You" in a large, orange, cursive font and "Volunteers" in a large, blue, cursive font below it. Above the text is a red heart with two hands, one on each side, in a light orange color.

Approved Vestry Minutes

May



Present: John Parisee, Nancy Reed, Elaine Moehring, Ron Lien, Sarah Balben, Angie Warner, Rod Gust, and Nancy Parisee as clerk.

The April vestry minutes were approved by the majority via email.

Treasurer – Sarah went over the financials. Rod made a motion to accept the Transaction Detail by Account for April, Angie seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Sr. Warden

Employee Handbook – All reviewed and were satisfied with the changes made to the Employee Handbook. Nancy R. made a motion to accept the handbook with the changes, Sarah seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Bylaws – Elaine will make the edits to the bylaws. The edits are to be completed as soon as possible so the proposed bylaws can be submitted to the chancellor and then the bishop for their review.

Core Values – John expressed his hope that we could be more visible in the community, he asked members to think about what we can do to reach out to younger families and youth. He also asked members to think about how our building can serve the community as well through rentals or after school programs.

Safe Church – Training for having a safe church is online for vestry members, clergy, employees, those working with children, among other volunteers. The link to the training is on our diocesan website and in our May newsletter.

New Business – John asked that any new business for vestry meetings is to be submitted for the agenda by the previous Friday so that we can keep our meetings concise and on track.

Upcoming events

Mother's Day Brunch is on May 14th.

Church Cleanup on May 20th.

Bishop's visit and brunch on June 4th.

Meeting with the Bishop on Saturday, June 3rd at Parisee house.

Yard Sale date is August 12th.

Jr. Warden – Ron gave a report.

The handrail at the back door was broken by ice this winter.

We will be building a box vent for the Rennai heater in the Fellowship Hall.

He had cleaned up some of the damage from the voles over the winter.

Committee Reports

Building & Grounds - Rod gave a report from the Building & Grounds committee meeting.

Outreach - Sarah will head up the bishop's brunch on June 4th.

New Business – Someone from the congregation is wanting to donate a used grand piano to the church. Also, someone had donated a used lawn tractor to the church as well. All members were touched by the generosity of our parishioners and neighbors.







Next meeting is June 13th.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Parisee

VESTRY

June 2023



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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	<p><u>Office Hours</u> Monday & Wednesday 9am - 3pm Friday 9am - noon</p>			Office Closed Centering Prayer 4pm Boy Scouts 7pm	NA 6:30pm	Men's Breakfast 9 am  Bishop Meeting @ Parisee house 6 pm
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<p>Bishop's Annual Visit Trinity Sunday 10am HE service with Rt. Rev. Jos Tharakan Potluck Brunch for Bishop Vestry after church  AI-Anon 5pm</p>	NA 6:30pm	Office Closed NA 6:30pm	Centering Prayer 11am Ladies' Lunch 12:30 pm NA 6:30pm 	Office Closed Centering Prayer 4pm Boy Scouts 7pm	NA 6:30pm	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<p>Pentecost 2 10am HE with Fr. Coke McClure Worship Committee  AI-Anon 5pm</p>	NA 6:30pm	Office Closed NA 6:30pm	Centering Prayer 11am NA 6:30pm	Office Closed Centering Prayer 4pm Boy Scouts 7pm	NA 6:30pm	Bible Study 10am 
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<p>Father's Day Pentecost 3 10am HE with Rev. Nancy Groshart AI-Anon 5pm Father's Day Brunch </p>	NA 6:30pm	Office Closed NA 6:30pm	Centering Prayer 11am NA 6:30pm	Office Closed Boy Scouts 7pm	NA 6:30pm	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
<p>Pentecost 4 10am HE with Fr. Coke McClure AI-Anon 5pm</p>	NA 6:30pm	Office Closed NA 6:30pm	Centering Prayer 11am NA 6:30pm	Office Closed Boy Scouts 7pm	NA 6:30pm	