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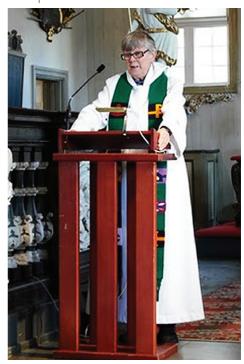
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It seemed like a good idea at the time, signing up for a university programme with a lot about inter-cultural communication and some courses on computer technology, multimedia communication, and other fascinating topics. There was a wonderful mix of students from many different countries, and I have learned from them most of what I know about what it is like to be an international student in Gothenburg.

I have now completed my Master in Communication, with the exception of the last hurdle: the thesis. The last of the preparatory lectures was at the beginning of March, and the deadline for submission is this coming week, except that I know already that I shall miss the deadline and the first round of thesis examinations. While the others are opposing and defending their projects, I shall be attending Diocesan Synod in Köln.

Writing up has been lonely - I have seen hardly any of my fellow-students in the last couple of months - and frustrating. I decided to write about readers' comments on the Thinking Anglicans web site www.thinkinganglicans.org, and Professor Jens Allwood agreed to be my supervisor. So far, so good. But what can the project contribute to the sum of human knowledge? And what questions, if any, can I claim to have solved?

A lot of energy and activity has gone into the 40-odd pages I have written so far - the target is 50-60 - but much of it has not yet found a place in the thesis, and may never do so. Should I spend time teasing out new facts from 100 000 words of raw material, or concentrate on writing up what I know already? And how



much do I need to say about what other people have written?

Once I have submitted the thesis, my supervisor, my examiners, and whichever unfortunate student gets the job of opposing the thesis in August will have to read it. Some of them know nothing about Christianity, let alone the Church of England. What will they make of arguments about women bishops and same-sex marriages, two hot topics in the month my examples come from? Let alone the controversy about a bishop in Kenya ordaining a deacon to work in Sheffield. Why did I pick such as esoteric subject?

Still, in the words of the quizmaster on University Challenge, "I've started, so I'll finish"!

Barbara Moss

The oasis garden round St. Andrew's Church

At the Annual General Meeting, this year, I asked for help with the St. Andrew's Church garden. Two church members positively suggested two appealing ideas, such as a lunch or an outing on a Sunday after having gardening. The other suggestion was to make a special, little flower bed for the children to plant seeds. I started with one of the ideas, and the first gardening session was on Saturday 4th of May, lasting for two hours. We were three persons raking together branches, twigs and leaves and filled 12 black plastic bags and weeded. We had some tasty sandwiches and sponge cake together with coffee. The gardening group is not only a working group. It is just as much a social group, because we are talking and having fun, which also is very important. It is very nice to do a creative, practical activity and see the result afterwards. I think that the church garden is part of St. Andrew's, and important to look after and tend to properly with love and care, just as much as the church building. None of them are more important than the other one.

After the first meeting, we have weeded the flower beds, moved the lawn. The hedges have been cut nicely. Just to make the church garden look nice and tidy for the annual spring bazaar. There are more to be done during the summer- and autumn season, and I really hope that more people are willing to contact me, and come along to help. There will be two gardening session a month. I am planning a light lunch in the church garden on a gardening day. The idea is to come and do two hours of gardening, and afterwards have lunch together and socialize.

I will put up a notice with possible gardening dates on the board back in the church.

Many hands on deck to make our garden look lovely!

Finally, I would like to express my warmest thanks to the Ladies Guild for their generosity of donating a Forsythia bush and four bushes of Ölandstok, which have been planted in the flowerbed on the side of the shed.

Cecilia Klevedal





Yellow forsythia

Ölandstok

Weekday Services

Morning Prayer will be said in church at 08.00 Monday to Friday from June 17 to July 5 and from July 29 onwards. **Midweek Mass / Onsdagsmässa** will start again on August 14 at 19.30. We plan to meet every Wednesday in church during the autumn.

Pilgrimages

Pilgrimages will be arranged on Saturdays 29 June, 27 July and 31 August, and once a month thereafter. We hope to arrange a trip to Gudhem and Varnhem on 29 June. Please contact Barbara for details.

Summer Concerts

Friday 28 June at 12.15:

Valgardur: Karl Magnus Andersson, piano, and Karl Nyberg, bass clarinet.

Sunday 18 August at 18.00 (time to be confirmed): **Rhythm and rhymes of time:**. The healing essence of time, seasons and tides. Poetry by John Donne, T.S Eliot, and Ferreira Gullar. Modern Britannic and Brazilian music. The performers: Anne & Tim Penton, (UK) piano and voice. Gui Mallon (Brazil), guitar and voice. Ulla Gabrielsson (UK), voice.

Services: June - August

Unless otherwise stated, there is a service of Parish Communion at 11.00 on Sundays, and any other details refer to this service.

The Sunday School fwill not meet in the summer, but will restart in September.

JUNE 2, Trinity I, Proper 4
10.00 Holy Communion
11.00 Family Service
Prayers: Jeanette Munro

JUNE 9, Trinity 2, Proper 5

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Gisela Barnard

Prayers: Paul Greer

Church Committee meets after the service

JUNE 16, Trinity 3, Proper 6 LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor Prayers: Amelia Delmendo-Bock

Lottery draw after the service

JUNE 23, Trinity 4, Proper 7 LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson Prayers: Gillian Thylander

JUNE 30, Trinity 5, Proper 8

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Gisela Barnard

JULY 7, Trinity 6, Proper 9

11.00 Family Communion with Andrew Wingate

LA: Alan Taylor, Gisela Barnard

Prayers: Young families

JULY 14, Trinity 7, Proper 10

11.00 Parish Communion with Andrew Wingate

LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Ann Gustafsson

JULY 21, Trinity 8, Proper 11

11.00 Parish Communion with Andrew Wingate

LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson

Prayers: Ron Jones

JULY 28, Trinity 9, Proper 12

II.00 Parish Communion with BaptismLA: Ann Gustafsson, Gisela BarnardPrayers: Opeoluwa Adebayo-Omolade

AUGUST 4, Trinity 10, Proper 13

10.00 Holy Communion11.00 Family ServicePrayers: Ivy Liu Leeyung

AUGUST 11, Trinity 11, Proper 14 LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor Prayers: Ann Gustafsson

AUGUST 18, Trinity 12, Proper 15

Prayers: Heather Wray

LA:

AUGUST 25, Trinity 13, Proper 16 LA: Ann Gustafsson, Gisela Barnard

Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson

Prayers: Cecilia Klevedal

SEPTEMBER 1, Harvest Festival Family Service or Family Communion, to be arranged.



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The Church Committee

At the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on April 21, ouor two churchwardens Heather Wray and Ron Jones were elected for a further year. The only changes in the committee and its officers are that Ivy Liu Leeyung was elected in place of Cristian Stoian, and, in connection with the Diocese in Europe Safeguarding Policy, Heather Wray has taken on the new post of ID checker, while Emma Jones remains our Safeguarding Officer (previously known as Child Protection Officer).

At the committee meeting after the Annual Meeting, the committee confirmed the appointment of Steven Wray as treasurer, Keith Barnard as secretary, and Ron Jones as vice-chair.



Barbara Moss -priest in charge



Heather Wray -- church warden



Ron Jones — church warden



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The committee works hard to see that the affairs of the church are in order. Please feel free to make contact with one of the church wardens, Ron and Heather, or any other

member of the committee if you have anything on your mind. They will be only too pleased to help you.



Chaplaincy News

Church Coffee, tea, sandwiches and cakes

Every Sunday someone has to look after the coffee after the service. There is a rota for the different groups of people to take charge of this duty. The different groups who take it in turns are Ladies Evening Group, the young mothers, the men and the young adults.

On the picture we see the young mothers Simbi and Vongai preparing the coffee table with the help of Simbi's little daughter.



Mothering Sunday and Hat Parade

Sunday 10th March

During the service the children presented their mothers with small posies of flowers as a token of their love.

After the service we had a Hat Parade, and Kristina Ayoade took the prize for the most creative hat. All the children taking part were awarded an Easter bunny chocolate. Afterwards refreshments were served. Lots of fun was had by all.

Ann Gustafsson



Simbi and Odutola Osho with Vongai Muyambo-Laassonen and Claes together with their children reading the prayers during the service



Kristina Ayoade in her winning hat

International Family Service

Sunday 5th May

The church was filled with lots of colourful outfits. After a musical service with Gabriela playing the violin cello, Magdalena the flute, the Ezeilo family and the choir singing, we had a pot luck lunch in the garden. We sampled so many tasty dishes from India, Africa, China, West Indies, England and Sweden. Thank you all for making the International Church Service such an enjoyable occasion. Many people have expressed a desire for more services of a similar nature in the future.

Ann Gustafsson



Magdelena Petersson playing the clarinette



Gabriella Petersson playing the cello



Beatrice Nakato and Tilak Rajesh



Simbi Osho with little Seyi



The Ezeilo children singing for us

Friends' Lecture: Serving the Community

Our first Friends' Lecture was on Wednesday 15 May at 18.30, when we welcomed Marika Palmdahl to talk about "Serving the Community: Stadsmissionen and St Andrew's in Partnership." Her subject fitted in well with our new vision statement, which encourages us to look outward as well as inward and upward.

I personally have been priviledged to see the people at work at Stadsmissionen which has its base in Johanneskyrkan. People from al walks of life enter the doors of the church/hall. Many with broken down spirits have later left feeling so much better with their dignity restored. It is not only what they do but the way they do it with a smile and love in their hearts. I hope and pray that with the help of God they can continue with their work, and even continue to be an inspiration for us.

Ann Gustafsson



We were blessed with fine weather. Thanks to the wonderful teamwork the tents were raised and tables set up all ready for the constant flow of people that graced the bazaar with their presence. It was a jolly occasion.

Ann Gustafsson



Emma, Jeanette and Rosa at work



Marika was the Diocese of Gothenburg co-ordinator for inter-religious dialogue, and worked closely with Andrew Wingate, before moving to her present job as priest and theologian at Stadsmissionen.

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The early morningworkers Heikki, Ron, Steven and Ann butting up the tents.



Ann and Alan



Gillian and Noriko



Nancy and Heather





Hilkka and Britta



Esther and Sheila



Amy and Beatrice



The refreshment corner was very popular

Our Vision for St Andrew's as decided at the AGM:

seeking God's will through prayer and worship, outreach, and nurturing community

Roots and Shoots

Two recent programmes on Kunskapskanalen have reminded me of the English girl, one year older than myself, who realised a dream that she had had since reading Doctor Dolittle at the age of 8, to go to Africa. She arrived in Kenya in 1957, was introduced to the famous anthropologist Dr. Louis Leakey, and became his secretary. Leakey encouraged her to pursue her interest in animals sending her off to study chimpanzees in Tanzania in 1960. She founded the Gombe Stream Research Centre there four years later. She is best known for her her 40year study of the life and habits of chimpanzees and her discovery that they could make tools. It should be perhaps mentioned that she is sometimes confused with Dian Fossey, who fought for the survival of the great gorillas "in the Mist", hunted ruthlessly by fortune-hunters.

This gentle, unassuming and barely educated girl with the face of an angel had such will and such determination that she earned a PhD in ethnology at Cambridge University without having to take all the preliminary exams. In 1977, she established the Jane Goodall Institute, now with offices in 27 countries, which supports the continued research on primates in Tanzania, as well as other environmental research, education and conservation programmes.

Designated as a UN Messenger of Peace by Kofi Annan in April 2002, she now spends nearly all her time travelling round the world, worrying her family and friends as she never seems to rest. She visited 40 countries in 4 years, lecturing and visiting the numerous projects she has inspired. One picture I particularly retain from the TV programme mentioned above is the throng of happy children following her car when she visited an enormous camp for refugees from the Congo. With the help of some of the young men with their natural talent for singing and acting and great sense of humour, she had campaigned against killing wild animals for "bush

meat" and started chicken farming as a means of survival when they eventually returned home. She keeps reminding her audiences that "We have stolen this world from our children" and we need to show them how to live in peace and harmony, to use money wisely for one's needs and not to love money for its own sake.



April 16, 2002 - Secretary-General Kofi Annan honoured primatologist and environmentalist Jane Goodall as a United Nations Messenger of Peace

There is no room here to describe all the projects that has started and continues to monitor. Please listen to her little video (see Esri video" say "available on-line at video.esri.com/tag/622/ jane-goodall) about Roots & Shoots and her description of the acorn and how it overcame all obstacles to become an oak tree. This is how we all have to work towards preserving our natural environment, in myriads of small steps, every single day.

Gillian Thylander

When asked if she believed in God, Jane Goodall said in September 2010: "I don't have any idea of who or what God is. But I do believe in some great spiritual power. I feel it particularly when I'm out in nature. It's just something that's bigger and stronger than what I am or what anybody is. I feel it. And it's enough for me."

Remembering the Spirit



Looking at the Easter Garden each year, we are reminded of the suffering of Jesus on the cross, and the miracle of the resurrection.

Because of that sacrifice of love we can enjoy all the blessings we have in our own lives today.

Ann Gustafsson

A St Andrew's Lottery Supporter

St Andrew's Church has received support and help for the annual St Andrew's Lottery from a number of firms in Gothenburg. One of our best supporters has been C.J. Josephssons Glas and Porslin situated in Korsgatan. They have given us beautiful Kosta and Orrefors vases and dishes, which became valued prizes for the lucky winners. This year when I collected the gifts for our lottery, I started to look at a book by Inger Jarland-Olofsson describing the fascinating history of one of Gothenburg's best known shops with a history of nearly 150 years. The first Josephssons was opened in 1866. Carl Johan Josephsson had started as a peddler of Kosta

glass in 1851. He travelled widely and transported glass to Gothenburg and the west coast of Sweden by steam ship and sailing boats. Glass goods were sold in Bohuslän – for example, to Kållekärr, Fagerfjäll and Djupvik on Tjörn. Inger Jarland-Olofsson's book gives a fascinating account of how the business was built up and extended to the shop that we know today, with glass and china from many countries. I have been very glad to be able to replace Denby and Poole pottery and Royal Dalton china over the years, to say nothing of the Orrefors and Ittala glassware. I recommend the book Glashandel i generationer both for its historical descriptions and as an inspiration for people who are interested in tracing ancestors. THANK YOU.

Nancy Fjällbrant



The Book Corner



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