

# Advent IV



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church  
December 1, 2024  
8:00 a.m.

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed are you, holy and living one.  
*People* ***You come to your people and set them free.***

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Deacon*

God of grace and glory, you promised to make your transforming presence known among the nations and to strengthen your people in all times and places until Christ shall come to gather all creation to its completion.

As we light these candles, open our eyes to see all that separates us from you and one another. In your compassion, come among us, heal us, infuse us with your life, that together we might manifest your justice, your compassion, your peace.

## The Collect of the Day

*Presider* God be with you.  
*People* ***And also with you.***  
*Presider* Let us pray.

***Almighty God, you brought forth a royal branch from the ancient stock of Jesse's line: Grant that we who have been grafted into this heritage may bear fruit worthy of Jesus Christ; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. Amen.***

## The First Reading

*Lector* A reading from the Jeremiah (33:14-16).

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

*The Deacon or Officiant introduces the Psalm, prays the antiphon, and leads the congregation in reading the verses together in unison.*

## Psalm 25:1-9

*Antiphon* Lead me in your truth, O God, and teach me.

- 1 ***To you, O God, I lift up my soul; I put my trust in you;\*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.***
- 2 ***Let none who look to you be put to shame;\* let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.***
- 3 ***Show me your ways, O God,\* and teach me your paths.***
- 4 ***Lead me in your truth and teach me,\*  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.***
- 5 ***Remember, O God, your compassion and love,\* for they are from everlasting.***
- 6 ***Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;\*  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O God.***

7 *Gracious and upright are you, O God,\* therefore you teach sinners in your way.*

8 *You guide the humble in doing right\* and teach your way to the lowly.*

9 *All the paths of God are love and faithfulness\*  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.*

*Antiphon* Lead me in your truth, O God, and teach me.

## **The Second Reading**

*Lector* A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians (3:9-13).

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gospel**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke (21:25-36).

*People* **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Humanity coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Humanity."

*Deacon* The Gospel of our Savior.

*People* **Praise to you, O Christ**

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Cameron Partridge

**Silence** *After the sermon, a bell will sound to mark a period of approximately one minute of silence. The bell will sound a second time to mark the conclusion of this time.*

## **Nicene Creed**

*Deacon* Together, let us join in saying the Nicene Creed.

***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 human.  
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;  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified;  
Who 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**

*Deacon or Presider*

During this Advent season, we wait in hopeful anticipation for Jesus, Emmanuel. We pray that in this season we may be active and prayerful as we listen to the Spirit at work in our waiting. Let us unite our hearts and intentions, trusting that God is ever near.

*Intercessor*

God of Light, in this season of Advent, we pray for the universal Church that it may always seek new paths to bring light to all God's beloved people.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider shares the cycles of prayer from the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church, the diocese, and our parish, inviting additional prayers.*

*Intercessor*        In hope we pray,  
**People**            **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

*Intercessor*

God of Justice, we pray for immigrants and refugees in our community, country, and around the world as, like Mary and Joseph, they take great risks to find safety. Be with us in our call to practice justice and sanctuary.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider shares the land acknowledgement.*

*Intercessor* In hope we pray,  
**People** *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

*Intercessor*

God of Peace, we pray for our world and the many conflicts that weigh heavily on our hearts. Guide us as we seek solutions of peace and compassion.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider shares our communal prayers for justice, inviting additional prayers.*

*Intercessor* In hope we pray,  
**People** *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

*Intercessor*

God of Compassion, we pray for all who wait for healing, particularly those who have asked for our prayers. May they be surrounded by your love.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider reads the names of those who have asked for prayers and invites additional prayers.*

*Intercessor* In hope we pray,  
**People** *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

*Intercessor*

God of Hope, we remember those who have died to this life and commend them to your embrace. Be with us as we carry our own grief, and lead us as we accompany others through their sorrow.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider shares the names of those who have recently died and invites additional prayers.*

*Intercessor* In hope we pray,  
**People** *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

*Intercessor*

God of Joy, we give thanks for the many blessings of our lives. Help us to live lives of gratitude, giving thanks for our earth and one another.

*Deacon/Officiant/Presider shares the names of those celebrating birthdays this week and invites additional gratitudes.*

*Intercessor* In hope we pray,  
**People** *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

*Presider*

Emmanuel, we know that you are with us always. Help us remember your presence as we wait in hope for your coming. Amen.

## **The Confession**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All** *God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

*Presider*

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

## **The Peace**

*Presider* The peace of God be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*You are invited to share a sign of peace or if you are on Zoom, unmute and greet each other in the name of Christ.*

## **Announcements**

### **Ingathering Prayer**

*Presider*

Generous and loving God, we come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all that we are and all that we have is a gift from you. We seek to be compassionate, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy. We offer our gifts of time, talent, and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbors. Help us to reach out to others as you have reached out to us. Help us to walk in love.

We invite our community to come forward to the altar with our stewardship offerings.

*All are invited to come forward and place their pledge cards in the stoneware jar on the altar.*

### **Offertory Prayer**

O God, you give us life, love, joy, and peace, you give us yourself. In you we are enriched. Help us to share, to give of what we receive. Help us to give our lives, our love, ourselves in the service of others and to you, Giver of all. *Amen.*

## **The Liturgy of the Table**

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to God.***

*Presider* Let us give thanks to God.

*People* ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*Presider*

Mystery of winter skies, we thank you in the darkening hours for opening our eyes to see your starlit beauty; for parting the wide heavens to send your gentle light; for offering your word to take our mortal flesh.

Christ was promised by those who shared your dream of peace; John the Baptist cleared his way with words of desert fire; Mary and Joseph accepted his coming with tenderness and faith; we know that he draws near again to reveal the in-breaking of your reign.

Now we take up the song of hope that we might awaken to his coming among us and the world be touched by the footfall of his glory:

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

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Presider continues*

We ask that your Holy Spirit fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Savior and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: ‘This is my body which is given for you. Do this to remember me.’

In the same way after supper he took the cup, saying: ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.’

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in taste and touch beyond what words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Presider continues*

Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Deacon* As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray,

*All* ***God in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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 for ever. Amen.***

*The Presider breaks the bread and says,*

*Presider* This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

*All* ***Whoever eats this bread will live forever.***

*Lifting the bread and cup, the Presider and Deacon invite the people.*

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*This Altar belongs to God and all are welcome to partake, wherever you are on your journey of faith.*

*If you choose to not receive the bread and wine, you are also welcome to come forward for a blessing; simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*During Communion, those present via Zoom are encouraged to pray the following prayer for Spiritual Communion that we have all been sharing together throughout the pandemic:*

In union, O God, with your people at every altar of your Church, we offer you praise, giving thanks for your presence in the holy gifts of bread and wine. In our spatial distance we invite you to come spiritually into our hearts, nourishing and strengthening us as members of your body. Amen.

## **Postcommunion Prayer**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*All* ***God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

## **Healing Prayer**

*Anyone is invited to make a request for healing prayer.*

*You may make a request for yourself or on behalf of another. The Presider will then offer a prayer.*

## Blessing

*Presider*

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the shadows from before your path; and the blessing of God, one holy and undivided Trinity, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us bless God.

*People* **Thanks be to God!**

## Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider & Preacher*

Doris Weyl Feyling, *Altar Guild*

Elena Wong, *Bread Baker*

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- \* The shifted language in today's assigned gospel passage is based upon the work of the Rev. Dr. Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski to intervene in and address the legacy of Christian anti-Semitism linked particularly to interpretations of the Gospel of John. His adaptation of the Good Friday liturgy, which also includes today's passage from John, can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/2p9yc4ua>
- \* The Prayers of the People were written by Elaina LeGault for 2023 and edited for 2024 by Cameron.
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- \* The Prayer of Spiritual Communion ("In union, O God...") is adapted from the excerpts from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book* that can be found online at <https://news.forwardmovement.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Spiritual-Communion.pdf>
- \* The Post Communion Prayer is from *Enriching Our Worship I* (New York: Church Publishing, 1998, p. 69.)
- \* The Blessing is adapted from *The Book of Occasional Services* (New York: Church Publishing, 2003), 23.
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## Announcements

### Ladder to the Light: An Advent Formation Series

In his book *Ladder to the Light: An Indigenous Elder's Meditations on Hope and Courage*, Bishop Steven Charleston writes, "this book, this ladder, is for all of us who have been standing together in the darkness. It will call us to be a new light for one another, to form community, to work together, to share in a common love that transforms reality and promotes justice. It will call us to see ourselves as the tribe of the human beings, a community still in the kiva, waiting to be born" (13).

St. Aidan's and St. Cyprian's friends are co-forming and -leading this Advent series, framed by the chapters of Bishop Charleston's book, to lead us on a shared journey of discovery with the intention of deepening our relationship with local indigenous history and community here in San Francisco and the wider Bay Area.

We are meeting via Zoom for five weeks in November and December from 7-8:15 PM:

—Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>—Faith and Blessing

—Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>—Hope and Community (note date change)



- Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> – Action & Truth
- Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> – Renewal & Transformation
- Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> – Synthesis and Planning

Come, join us on the journey.

### **Christmas Giving at Saint Aidan's**

Please join in our Christmas giving at St. Aidan's. This year we have three options (listed in order of when the gifts are due.) Please contact Margaret ([mdyerc@stanford.edu](mailto:mdyerc@stanford.edu)) if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your generosity to our neighbors in the city.....

#### Episcopal Community Services (ECS)

Gifts of \$20 and up would be incredibly appreciated, which ECS will put toward parties in their shelters and other service sites. You may recall that last year, ECS focused on holiday parties for the first time, and contributions from churches like St. Aidan's enabled them to offer a holiday gathering at each of their sites. ECS has shared that the parties were a resounding success, bringing joy and a sense of community to those who need it most. You may make donations through St. Aidan's by check or Zelle. Send Zelle donations to [treasurer@staidansf.org](mailto:treasurer@staidansf.org). Please note "ECS holiday party" in your check or Zelle memo. **Gifts need to be received by December 6**, to allow us to get them to ECS in time for their party planning.

#### Urban Angels Toy Drive for children in shelter in the Tenderloin neighborhood:

Our neighbor in Diamond Heights, Urban Angels (<https://www.urbanangelssf.org/>), is again sponsoring a toy drive for children in shelter throughout the city. Their goal is to raise \$50,000, which will ensure that 1,000 children in our city have a special holiday gift valued generously at about \$50 each. This year Urban Angels has a super easy way to participate - you can donate at any level you select to their gift registry here:

<https://urbanangelssf.app.neoncrm.com/forms/40>

**Donations need to be received by December 13<sup>th</sup>.**

#### SafeHouse Gift Card Drive

SafeHouse, an organization that empowers and supports women who are experiencing housing instability and sexual exploitation or trafficking (<https://www.sfsafehouse.org/>) is well known to St. Aidan's. We are again collecting gift cards for the women of SafeHouse. We have committed to 10 gift cards at the \$60.00 level. Any extra money will be used to purchase cards for women who come to the drop in center and are in need. You may purchase gift cards and give them to Susan Spencer, or you may make a donation through St. Aidan's by check or Zelle. Send Zelle donations to [treasurer@staidansf.org](mailto:treasurer@staidansf.org). Please note "SafeHouse Gift Card" in your check or Zelle memo. Susan will use your donations to purchase the gift cards. Please contact Susan with any questions – [363spencer@gmail.com](mailto:363spencer@gmail.com). **Donations need to be received by December 20.**

**Men's Group: Saturday, December 7, 9-10:30 am, via Zoom.** We will connect for prayer, study and fellowship. All men are cordially invited. If you haven't received connection information by December 5, contact Dave Frangquist ([frangquist@acm.org](mailto:frangquist@acm.org)).

### **Blue Christmas Service is coming up Sunday, December 15, 2024 at 2 PM**

Christmas is a season of joy, yet for any number of reasons, from personal experiences to national or global events, some of us may feel "blue" as the season approaches. To acknowledge and make space for this experience, St. Aidan's has held a "Blue Christmas" service for the last several years. This year's service will take place at 2 PM on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Come and join us for a service of readings, reflections, quiet contemplative space, and beautiful music. The service will be at St. Aidan's with a Zoom option for those who cannot join in person. The link will be the same as Sunday morning. Please reach out to the office if you need it: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org).

**The Altar Guild is in need of new members for the 10 o'clock service.** Members set up the Altar for the service and put away items after the service. Twice a year members gather to clean, polish and shine items used in the services. If you are interested in this mission, please phone or text me. Jackie Buckley, Altar Guild Chair 650-534-7875

### **Next Meeting of the New Jim Crow Anti-Racist Book Group**

The group's next meeting will be *Sunday, January 5 at 4 pm via Zoom*. We're reading *The Oblong Way* by Malcolm Margolin. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at [mdyerc@stanford.edu](mailto:mdyerc@stanford.edu).

### **St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Club**

We will continue to meet via zoom with LeeAnn DeSalles serving as our zoom master. If you need the link or would

like help with zoom, please contact LeeAnn at [leeanndesalles@comcast.net](mailto:leeanndesalles@comcast.net). If you would like to be on the Book Group's mailing list, please contact [elaine@mannon.com](mailto:elaine@mannon.com).

- **No meeting in December - Happy Holidays!**
- **Monday, January 27, 2025 7:00 p.m.**
  - *The Soul of the Octopus: A Surprising Exploration Into the Wonder of Consciousness* by Sy Montgomery – A journey into the emotional, intellectual, and physical world of the octopus and its remarkable connections with humans.

**Join us December 13-14 for the Guadalupe Play and overnite at St Francis Retreat Center in San Juan Bautista, CA.** The play is at **8pm on Friday December 13**. This is a perfect Advent experience away from our chaos to a quaint village where roosters wander the streets. Please contact Margie Wolcott, or Cameron if you're interested.

**Contemplative Prayer: Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday from 9-10 AM via Zoom**

We offer Contemplative prayer via Zoom. Contemplative Prayer is silent with the beginning and ending marked by a bell. You can practice meditation, silent prayer, journal, or otherwise enjoy the collective quiet. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org).

**Morning Prayer: M/W/F at 7:30 AM (Mon & Wed Hybrid, Fri Zoom)**

We offer Morning Prayer in hybrid mode (at church and via Zoom) on Mondays and Wednesdays, and on Fridays via Zoom only. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org).

**Evening Prayer: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM via Zoom**

We offer Evening Prayer via Zoom. Readings for the day are from the Episcopal Church's daily lectionary or calendar of saints, and the service includes a brief reflection time on the readings. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org)

**Mask Policy:** We respect the preference of anyone who feels safer by masking. We will also maintain a well-ventilated sanctuary by opening doors and windows. Our mask policy may be modified again as appropriate.

**To add an announcement to the weekly bulletin of the Flame, please send your edited text no later than 11:00 am Wednesday to [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org)**

## Calendar for the Week of December 1, 2024

Sunday, December 1	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 9 AM
Monday, December 2	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, December 3	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM
Wednesday, December 4	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM Diamond Diners at 12 PM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM Advent Series (via Zoom) at 7 PM
Thursday, December 5	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) at 3 PM
Friday, December 6	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Food Pantry (at church) from 1-2 PM
Saturday, December 7	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Men's Group (via Zoom) at 9 AM

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## St. Aidan's Prayers

### **In Your Prayers, Please Remember:**

**In acknowledgment that** St. Aidan's is located within the unceded ancestral land of the Yelamu tribe of the Ramaytush Ohlone people, with gratitude for their ongoing relationship with this holy place.

**In the Episcopal Church:** For Sean our Presiding Bishop; and for our bishop Austin.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** For the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** For St. Clement's, Berkeley; St. Ambrose, Foster City.

**In our Parish Cycle of Prayer:** For the Choir.

**For those with birthdays this week:** Ivy, Nicole David, Jack.

**For all striving for mental and emotional balance and wholeness, and for their families and friends.**

**For those who have asked for our prayers:** Albert T, Denise, Harlean D., Irma P., Jaime, Janice T., Jean W., Jenny M., Joe, Joelle, Judy B., Lynne and Meg S., Margarita, Mark, Mercedes, Mina Marie, Nicole M., Pat K., Patricia, Paul M. and family, Pete M., Peter G., Rebecca, Richie and family, Sarah G., Susan R., Tim F.

**For the ongoing work against intersecting forms of oppression, particularly racism and transphobia, and in affirmation of human dignity.**

**For our work in the world** in our daily lives and for the ministries of the Friday Food Pantry and Diamond Diners.

**For our congregation** as we embrace our call to practice sanctuary: may we commit ourselves to prayer, education, and support for immigrants to this country and for all who are estranged, excluded, or threatened in 21st century America. We pray in thanksgiving for the numerous gifts our refugee and immigrant siblings have brought, and continue to bring, to our country.

**For all** who are struggling in this time of intensified injustice and polarization in our country and around the world: for strengthened relationships and deepened commitment to our common life and the well-being of our planet.

**For those who have recently died:** Marilyn Joyce Thomte, Father John Shozawa, Alton Woo, Kathy Randlett, Michelle Henry, and in the St. Cyprian's community for Charolette Canida and Norma Planizcka.

*To place a name on our prayer list, please contact the church office at 415-285-9540, ext. 3 or [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org). Names of the living are printed by first name and will be kept on the prayer list for four weeks. To keep someone on the list for longer, please notify the office.*



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