

Fifth Sunday of Easter



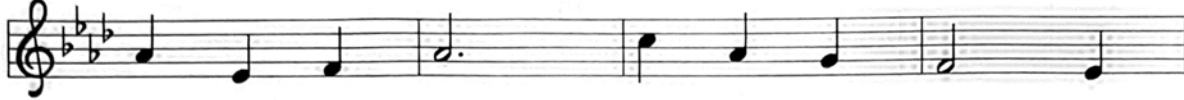
St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
April 28, 2024 9:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Opening Hymn: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

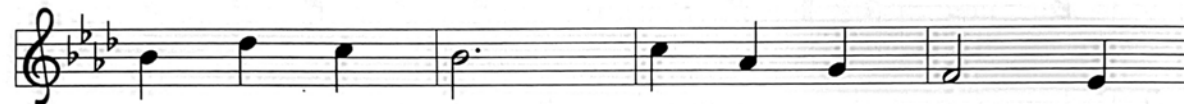
Evangelical Lutheran Worship #377



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
Music: David N. Johnson, 1922-1987
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EARTH AND ALL STARS
45 10 45 10 and refrain

Opening Acclamation

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Presider

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 Savior. **Amen.**

Song of Praise: Laudate Dominum

Taizé, Wonder, Love, and Praise #829

Lau - da - te Do - mi - num, Lau - da - te Do - mi - num om - nes

1. gen - tes, Al - le - lu - ia. 2. Al - le - lu - ia. D.C.

Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.
Words: Psalm 117. Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (8:26-40).

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How

can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

Psalm 22:24-30

The Deacon or officiant introduces the Psalm and reads the Antiphon at the beginning and ending of the Psalm. All join in reading the bolded text.

Antiphon We beheld him despised and rejected, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

24 My praise is of you in the great assembly;*

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall praise you;*

“May your heart live for ever!”

**26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to God,*
and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.**

27 For sovereignty belongs to God;* who rules over the nations.

**28 To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;*
all who go down to the dust fall before you.**

**29 My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you;*
they shall be known as God’s people for ever.**

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn* the saving deeds that you have done.

Antiphon We beheld him despised and rejected, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

The Second Reading

Lector A reading from the first letter of John (4:7-21).

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since

God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

Hymn: O Blessed Spring

Sing A New Creation #114

1 O bless - ed spring, where word and sign em - brace us
2 Through sum - mer heat of youth - ful years, un - cer - tain
3 When au - tumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their
4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, we breath our
5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, be praised for

in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each one to
faith, re - bel - lious tears, sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing
heav - y har - vest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will
last, re - turn to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take
this blest mys - ter - y: that word and wa - ter thus re -

be a branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.
 rain, the boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
 move with gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.
 wing and trust the prom - ise of the spring.
 vive and join us to your Tree of life.

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 Music: Melody English trad.; arr. Noel Tredinnick, 1982.
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 O WALY, WALY

The Gospel

Deacon or Presider
 People

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John (15:1-8).
Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Deacon or Presider
 People

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Weston Morris

Silence

After the sermon, a bell will sound to mark a period of silence. The bell will sound a second time to mark the conclusion of this time.

Sung Creed

*Play 4 sung parts on organ manual, bass part in whole notes in pedal.
 Consider not repeating, but rather tying many of the repeated notes.*

We be - lieve in God al - might - y,
 We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fer'd,
 We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it,

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan; Music: Charles Rus 2011

*last time
bass hold G flat
instead of A flat*

Prayers of the People

Deacon or Officiant We are an Easter people, gathered and scattered, formed and sent. We gather to be renewed in sacred story, to break bread, and to recommit ourselves to the dream of God. We scatter, sent out to live into that dream, to build it joyfully with God's help.

Intercessor We pray for the Church throughout the world, in our region, city, and neighborhood.

Deacon or officiant reads the prayers for the church and invites additional prayers.

Intercessor Together in joy
All **We keep the Easter feast.**

Intercessor We pray for our struggling world, that the power of resurrection life may bring peace, justice, and renewal.

Deacon or officiant reads the land acknowledgement and the prayers for justice, inviting additional prayers.

Intercessor Together in joy
All **We keep the Easter feast.**

Intercessor We pray for the members of your beloved body – known to us, and unknown – in need of healing, love, and care.

Deacon or officiant reads the names of those who have asked for our prayers and invites additional prayers.

Intercessor Together in joy
All **We keep the Easter feast.**

Intercessor We pray in gratitude for the wonder of creation, for the abundance of love in this world, and for all the blessings of this life.

Deacon or officiant reads the names of those celebrating birthdays and invites additional prayers.

Intercessor Together in joy
All **We keep the Easter feast.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that your eternal City would enfold them in fullness of resurrection joy with all your saints.

Deacon or officiant reads the names of those who have recently died and invites additional prayers.

Intercessor Together in joy
All **We keep the Easter feast.**

Presider O God through whom death has been swallowed up by life, empower us to join with all creation in learning and living the justice, joy, love, and praise of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

Offertory Sentence

Presider Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death and on those in the tombs bestowing life! Let us lift up offerings of our life and labor to God.

Offertory: O Love Divine, How Sweet Thou Art

Hymns Ancient and Modern, New Standard #124

1. O love di - vine, how sweet thou art! When
2. Strong - er Christ's love than death or hell; its
3. God on - ly knows the love of God; O
4. For ev - er would I take my seat with

shall I find my long - ing heart all tak - en up by thee?
rich - es are un - search - a - ble: the first-born ones of light
that it now were shed a - broad in this poor sto - ny heart!
Ma - ry at the Mak - er's feet: be this my hap - py choice;

I thirst, I faint and die to prove the
de - sire in vain its depth to see; they
For - love I sigh, for love I pine; this
my on - ly care, de - light, and bliss, my

great-ness of re - deem-ing love, the love of Christ to me.
can - not reach the mys - te - ry, the length and breadth and height.
on - ly por - tion, Lord, be mine, be mine this bet - ter part.
joy, my heav'n on earth, be this, to hear my God's own voice.

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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 God thanks and praise.***

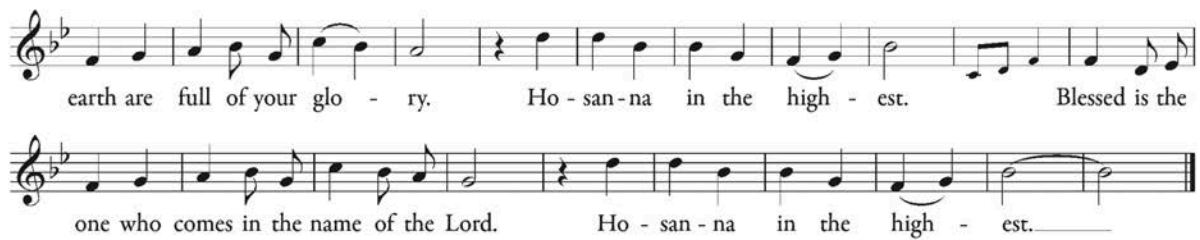
Presider
All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb. You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey. And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Hea - ven and



Presider

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all. Your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Presider

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Aidan and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

Deacon or Presider

As our Savior taught us, we now pray,

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 and 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 Fraction

The Presider breaks the bread in silence. All then sing,

Flowing ♩ = 52

mp
Lamb of God, you take a - way the

mf
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God you take a - way the

mp
sins of the world, have mer - cy-on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

p
sins of the world, grant us peace.

p

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The Invitation

Lifting the bread and cup, the Presider invites the people, saying

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

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.*

The Bread and wine are shared with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven; The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

During Communion, those present via Zoom are encouraged to pray the following prayer

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.

Communion: Christians, Let Us Love One Another

One Faith, Una Vox #695, vv. 1, 3-4, 6



1. Chris-tians, let us love one an - oth - er, As we share the
3. We who eat and drink at this ta - ble Die and rise a -
4. On the path of life we may fal - ter, Earth - ly food a -
6. Je - sus is the vine, we the branch - es; We are grains of



1. true liv - ing bread. Je - sus is our God and our
3. gain with our Lord. Draw - ing from our Rock liv - ing
4. lone leaves us weak; Al - ways you in - vite from the
6. wheat, Christ the bread. Those who eat this bread live for -



1. broth - er; With his flesh and blood we are fed.
3. wa - ter Giv'n to all who thirst for ac - cord. } Ev - 'ry-one who
4. al - tar, "Hun - gry souls their food here must seek." }
6. ev - er, One with Christ, our Lord and our Head. }



1-6. loves is born of God. Je - sus is our life. God is love.

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Music: French Carol, 17th cent.; *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860.

Post-Communion Prayer

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

*The people are invited to share a request for healing prayer.
You may make a request for yourself or on behalf of another. The Presider then offers a prayer.*

Easter Blessing

Presider

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: We Know That Christ Is Raised and Dies No More. *The Hymnal 1982 #296 v.1-2,4*

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life _____
 as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____

1-3

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____ Al - le -
 Baptized we live with God the Three in One _____
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____

Final Ending

lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932), alt.
 Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

10 10 10 with Alleluia

The Dismissal

Deacon or Presider
People

Let us go out into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Serving St. Aidan's

- The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider*
- The Rev. Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, *Deacon*
- Weston Morris, *Seminarian & Preacher*
- Mina Jelinek, *Music Minister*
- Anne Benninger, Sarah Glover, Lee Hammack, Matthew Lobe, Janet Lohr, David Mealy, Paul Nocero, Shelley Nocero, Jim Oerther, Kateri Paul, Roya Rettberg, Barbara Stevenson, & perhaps you!, *Choir*
- Patricia Busk, *In-Person Greeter*
- Lee Hammack, *Zoom Greeter*
- Lee Hammack / Robert Geesey, *Lectors*
- Dave Frangquist, *Intervessor*
- Kate Fritz / Patricia Busk, *Altar Guild*
- Robert Geesey, *Sound / Zoom*
- Kateri Paul, *Bread Baker*
- CoCo Lin, *Child Care*

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- * The Liturgy of the Word is the *Book of Common Prayer*, modified to reflect our use of inclusive language.
- * The chant of praise, Jubilate Deo, is from *Enriching Our Music 2* (New York: Church Publishing, 2003), 101.
- * Psalm translation is from the *CSF Office Book* (Community of St. Francis, 1995).
- * The Prayers of the People for Eastertide 2024 were woven together by Cameron using language from Verna Dozier's *The Dream of God: A Call to Return* (New York: Seabury Press, 1991, 2006), 108; the Carl P. Daw Jr. translation of "Christ Our Passover" in *Wonder, Love, and Praise #880*; 2 Corinthians 5:4; Brian Wren's "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" in *The Hymnal 1982 #182*; and Deacon Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain's 2022 Eastertide Prayers of the People.
- * The Eucharistic Prayer is Prayer 3 from *Enriching Our Worship I* (New York: Church Publishing, 1998), 62-65.
- * The Sanctus is by Calvin Hampton (*The Hymnal, 1982 #S130*).
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- * The Post Communion Prayer is from *Enriching Our Worship I*, p. 69.
- * The prayer for Spiritual Communion is adapted from the version located in St. Augustine's Prayer Book, published by Forward Movement Press which can be found online at <https://news.forwardmovement.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Spiritual-Communion.pdf>.
- * The Easter Blessing is from *Enriching Our Worship I*, p. 70.
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Announcements

Music on the Hill: Today, Sunday, April 28, 7:30 pm at St. Aidan's. "Ensemble San Francisco" is a collective of musicians dedicated to inspiring a more inclusive world through art. Award-winning members of the S.F. Symphony, Ballet, and Opera Orchestras, this string quartet produces uniquely innovative concerts. Program includes *Strum for String Quartet* (2008) by Jesse Montgomery, *Andante for String Quartet* (2010) *West Coast premiere by Moses Sedler, *Danzas de Panama* (1948) by William Grant Still and *String Quartet #2, Op. 51* (1873) by Johannes Brahms. Tickets: \$20 at the door or sold online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ensemble-san-francisco-tickets-876267348227>. Complementary tickets are available to members of St. Aidan's; contact Dave Frangquist, frangquist@acm.org.

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

The group's next meeting will be **Today, April 28 at 4 pm via Zoom**. We're reading *Better Living Through Birding* by Christian Cooper. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at mdyerc@stanford.edu.

Congratulations to the Rev. Dr. Lisa da Silva on her new position!

This week Cameron heard from the Rev. Dr. Lisa da Silva, who did a field placement with us as she made her way through the ordination process before being ordained to the priesthood in December. Lisa shared: "I am delighted to tell you that I have been called to serve as Priest-in-Charge at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church in Novato! We signed all of the paperwork and I start on April 29th. Please let St. Aidan's folks know. You all have been a very important part of this journey." Congratulations, Lisa!

Can you contribute cookies for our joyful reception after the May 4 Bishop Ordination service?

The good news is that over 1000 people have registered to attend the service and reception; the challenge is having sufficient refreshments. The Bishop Search and Transition team would truly appreciate help in with donations of cookies. Here is the link to donate: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49ABAB23ABF9C70-48437310-ordination#/>

Please feel free to contact Margaret (mdyerc@stanford.edu) with any questions.

RDH Training for Support Center Volunteers
Saturday, May 4, 10 am - 12 Noon at St. Aidan's

All are invited to attend.

Jill's snacks will be served at the end of the workshop Resilient Diamond Heights (RDH) will hold its next training session to help prepare potential volunteers for our Support Center and Strong Block Champions for future emergencies. We will hold the event on Saturday, May 4 from 10:00 am to noon.

We know that new volunteers may have concerns about dealing with difficult individuals after a disaster. This session will discuss the importance of being prepared to help someone who is in distress. This involves using a companionate and empathetic response.

We will also introduce the concept of Psychological First Aid (PFA). This recent approach trains volunteers to help keep themselves and fellow volunteers aware of stress that may make our work less effective along with methods of reducing the stress. This will be an introduction to PFA with a more detailed training session on a later date.

We hope you can join us on May 4. Please let us know if you plan to attend by emailing Betsy Eddy at betsy.eddy@gmail.com.

Diamond Diners is coming up this Wednesday at 12 PM. Please feel free to come and enjoy a delicious homemade meal with our neighbors!

Men's Group

Saturday, May 4, 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 May 2, contact Dave Frangquist (frangquist@acm.org).

Mary Readé Celebration of Life Coming Up Saturday, May 11th at 10 AM

A service to remember and celebrate the life of longtime St. Aidanite Mary Readé, who died on November 1st, All Saints Day, is coming up on Saturday, May 11th at 10 AM at St. Aidan's. Please come and spread the word to others who knew Mary.

Good News Gardens

Our remaining 2024 dates are: **May 18**, June 22, July 13, August 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9. (We'll take December off...) Timing – 12:30-2 pm. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at 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. If you would like to be on the Book Group's mailing list, please contact elaine@mannon.com.

- **Monday, May 20, 2024 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**
 - ***The Lincoln Highway*** by Amor Towles. Set in 1954, it tells the story of four young men on a road trip from Nebraska to California over ten days. As the New York Times put it, “Not reaching the intended destination becomes entirely the point and power of this mischievous, wise and wildly entertaining novel.” (nearly 500 pages)
- **Monday, June 24, 2024 7:00 p.m.**
 - ***Democracy Awakening*** by Heather Cox Richardson - “A vital and urgent call to action about the precarious state of American democracy...” (New York Times)... charting “important facts of the last 150 years of American history and how we got to the sorry place we inhabit today.” (Guardian) (304 pages)
- **Monday, July 29, 2024 7:00 p.m.**
 - ***Reluctant Fundamentalist*** by Mohsin Hamid - An elegant and chilling novel that looks at the increasingly volatile and precariously balanced relationship between Judeo-Christian West and Muslim Middle East with it glimpse into what being Islamic in the United States after September 11 was like. (208 pages)

Life Crisis/Emergency Form

Living in the Bay Area we're encouraged to have a disaster plan, food/supplies in the event of an earthquake. The End of Life Ministry (ELM) team is aware that an urgent illness, accident or other life altering situation can happen without notice or warning. While we've talked about advance care planning involving end-of-life care choices, there is even more practical helpful information that the clergy would like to have on hand in a crisis, such as:

- Name of spouse/significant other/next of kin, close friends or caregivers and contact information
- Relevant health care information, primary care provider, health insurance company;
- Name/contact information of your health care agent, and
- Physician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST)

This form will be kept in a confidential file and be available to clergy to aid them in supporting you and your loved ones in time of need. The form is available as a downloadable pdf on the pastoral care page of the parish website and hard copies are also available in the parish office.

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.

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.

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

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

Calendar for the Week of April 28, 2024

Sunday, April 28	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 8 & 10 AM Music On The Hill – Ensemble San Francisco at 7:30 PM
Monday, April 29	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, April 30	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM
Wednesday, May 1	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM Diamond Diners at 12 PM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM
Thursday, May 2	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) at 3 PM
Friday, May 3	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Food Pantry (at church) from 1-2 PM
Saturday, May 4	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Resilient Diamond Heights Meeting at 10 AM

St. Aidan's Vestry

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St. Aidan's Prayers

In Your Prayers, Please Remember:

In deep 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 vital, ongoing relationship with this holy place.

In the Episcopal Church: Michael our Presiding Bishop;; for the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church; and for all preparing for this summer's General Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Bangladesh.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Grace Church, Martinez.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: The Pastoral Care Committee.

For those with birthdays this week: Don, Steve.

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, Cary, the family of Doug Y., George and Debbie C., Harlean D., Jaime, Jenny M., Jim O., Kathy R., Margarita, Mark, Pamela, Rebecca, Richie and family.

For ongoing work against intersecting forms of oppression, particularly racism; 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.

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: Doug Yorke, Cleo Fry, David Jamieson, Kay Wells, Barbara Purcell, Hazel Perkins, Mike Isaacs, Mary Readé, Kathy O'Loughlin and from the St. Cyprian's community for Charollette 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. 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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