

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
July 19, 2026 10:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Hymn: Sing Out, Earth and Skies

Gather Comp #499

Cantor:



1. Come, O God of all the earth: Come to us, O
 2. Come, O God of wind and flame: Fill the earth with
 3. Come, O God of flash-ing light: Twin - kling star and
 4. Come, O God of snow and rain: Show - er down up -
 5. Come, O Jus - tice, Come, O Peace: Come and shape our

Cantor:



Right - eous One; Come, and bring our love to birth:
 right - eous - ness; Teach us all to sing your name:
 burn - ing sun; God of day and God of night:
 on the earth; Come, O God of joy and pain:
 hearts a - new; Come and make op - pres - sion cease:

All:



In the glo - ry of your Son.
 May our lives your love con - fess.
 In your light we all are one.
 God of sor - row, God of mirth.
 Bring us all to life in you.

Refrain



Sing out, earth and skies! Sing of the God who loves you!



Raise your joy-ful cries! Dance to the life a - round you!

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 Tune: SING OUT, 7 7 7 7 with refrain; Marty Haugen, b.1950
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Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

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 Lord. ***Amen.***

Chant of Praise: Jubilate Deo

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)



Ju - bi - la - te De - o, ju - bi - la - te De - o, Al - le - lu - ia!

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking; Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis (28:10-19a).

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

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

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

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

Antiphon Search me out, O God, and know my heart; and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

- 1 O God, you have searched me out and known me;*
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.***
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places* and are acquainted with all my ways.***
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,* but you know it altogether.***
- 4 You press upon me behind and before* and lay your hand upon me.***
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;* it is so high that I cannot attain to it.***
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit?* where can I flee from your presence?***
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there;*
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.***
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning* and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,***

9 *Even there your hand will lead me* and your right hand hold me fast.*

10 *If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me,* and the light around me turn to night,"*

11 *Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day;*
darkness and light to you are both alike.*

22 *Search me out, O God, and know my heart;* try me and know my restless thoughts.*

23 *Look well whether there be any wickedness in me*
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.*

Antiphon Search me out, O God, and know my heart; and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

The Second Reading

Lector A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (8:12-25).

Kindred, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

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

Gospel Hymn: We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Lift Every Voice and Sing #220

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 12/8 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are printed below the staves, with each line of music corresponding to a line of the hymn. The lyrics are: 1. We are _____ climb - ing _____ Ja - cob's _____ lad - der, _____ 2. Ev' - ry _____ round goes _____ high - er, _____ high - er, _____ 3. Sin - ner _____ do you _____ love your _____ Je - sus? _____ 4. If you _____ love Him _____ why not _____ serve Him, _____

1. We are climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der;
 2. Ev' - ry round goes high - er, high - er;
 3. Sin - ner do you love your Je - sus?
 4. If you love Him why not serve Him;

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 2. Ev' - ry round goes high - er, high - er,
 3. Sin - ner do you love your Je - sus?
 4. If you love Him why not serve Him,

1. Sol - diers of the cross.
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 4. Sol - diers of the cross.

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The Gospel

Deacon
People

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew (13:24-30,36-43).
Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will

tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

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 silence. The bell will sound a second time to mark the conclusion of this time.*

The 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly 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,
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

In the spirit of Pentecost, we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit, activating the disciples with tongues of flame. Fill us with your Spirit, O God, and send us out into the world renewed for the work of your kingdom.

Intercessor

As we celebrate the living faith handed on to us by generations of Christians, enliven us with the same gifts of the Holy Spirit that energized the early Church. May your Church be a flame of justice and hope.

Deacon or Presider reads the Anglican, Episcopal, & Diocesan cycles of prayer, inviting additional prayers.

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

We pray for St. Aidan's, that we continue to be a beacon on the hill and a renewed space of nourishment and hospitality in Diamond Heights.

Deacon or Presider shares the St. Aidan's Parish Cycle of Prayer and invites additional prayers.

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

We pray for the earth, our common home. Strengthen us to be caring stewards of this holy place and of all creation.

The Intercessor pauses for additional prayers.

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

We pray for our nation, that the Holy Spirit would help us to renew and redeem our democracy. Help us live up to our nation's Declaration of Independence, that all people are created equal.

Deacon or Presider shares our communal prayers for justice and invites additional prayers.

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

We pray for the sick, for those who suffer, for those who are in any trouble, and for those who have asked for our prayers.

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

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

We pray for those who have died to this life, that their spirit is united with the Holy Spirit in the communion of saints.

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

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Intercessor

In this season of Pentecost, remembering the birth of the Church, we give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, and we express gratitude for all our blessings.

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

We pray to you, O God,

People ***Shine, Holy Spirit!***

Deacon or Presider

Living God, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. **Amen.**

The Confession

Deacon or Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A space of silence is kept

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.***

We greet each other in peace

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Presider You know the Spirit because she abides with you and will be in you. Let us with joy lift up offerings of our life and labor to God.

Offertory Hymn: Let All Things Now Living

Evangelical Lutheran Worship #881

1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks-giv - ing
2. God rules all the forc - es: The stars in their cours - es

To God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
And sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,

And guides us with care to the end of our days.
The deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing;

A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks-giv - ing:

As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
"To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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The Deacon, Officiant, or Presider sets the table

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God al - might - y,
ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be -
fore thee, which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.

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.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon

As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray,

All assembled

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

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 Fraction

Presider

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

People

Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

The Invitation

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

Presider

The gifts of God for the people of God. All are welcome at God's table.

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/or wine, you are also welcome to receive a blessing;

simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

The Bread and Wine are given to the communicants 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 for Spiritual Communion that we have shared 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.

The Deacon or Presider removes the bread and wine from the table.

Communion: Ubi Caritas

Wonder, Love, and Praise #831

A

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

B

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

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

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.

Blessing

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God,
and the Grace of God strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,
in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn: We Are Marching In the Light of God

Gather Comp #512

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves. The lyrics are: "We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are march - ing in the light of God, march - ing in the light of the light of God, we are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God." The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass clefs, key signatures, time signatures, notes, rests, and triplets. There are also first and second endings indicated by bracketed numbers 1 and 2.

We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are

1. march - ing in the light of God, 2. march - ing in the light of the

march - ing in the light of God. march - ing in the light of the

light of God, we are march - ing, march - ing, we are

Oo we are

march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God.

* Alternate text: dancing, singing, praying

The Dismissal

Deacon or Presider
People

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

SOURCES

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Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider & Preacher*
The Choir is on break for the summer and will return at the end of August.
Patrick Hall, *In-Person Greeter*
Elena Wong, *Zoom Greeter*
JoEllen Brothers / Kateri Paul, *Lectors*
Peter Fairfield, *Prayers of the People*
Margie Wolcott, *Eucharistic Minister*
Janice Tickner Leonard, *Altar Guild*
Maddy Partridge, *Sound / Zoom*
JoEllen Brothers, *Bread Baker*
CoCo Lin, *Child Care*

Announcements

House Blessing for Peter & Linnea, Sunday, Today, July 19 12:30 PM!

As many of you know, longtime St. Aidanites Peter and Linnea recently moved back to our neighborhood from Bernal Heights. They are now just down the street from us at Casa De Vida, 5157 Diamond Heights Boulevard. It's very exciting! On Sunday, July 19th at 12:30 PM we will do a house blessing for them, making our way over after the 10 AM service. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us!

An invitation from the brothers of SSF

Hidden within the walls of a tranquil Italian hill town, unsung heroes lived out the Gospel through compassionate, courageous action. In the Year of St. Francis, come and join the brothers of SSF with a movie and discussion to follow. There will be snacks!

Movie date and time: **Saturday July 25, 2026 at 2pm**

Space will be limited. **Please RSVP by Today, July 19, 2026** by emailing: sandamianossf@gmail.com

Wrestling with the Scriptures meets every fourth Tuesday at 10:30 am (via Zoom). The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 28. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org.

Remembering Jessica Stevenson

We were very sad to learn last week that Jessica Stevenson has died. Jessica was a longtime leader of the Friday Food Pantry, for many years an integral part of our Diamond Diners ministry, and a contributor to many neighborhood events. Plans for a celebration of her life are still pending and we will share information when we know more. In the meantime, please hold all who knew and loved Jessica in your prayers, with gratitude for all the ways she contributed to our community and neighborhood. May she rest in peace and power, and may light perpetual shine upon her.

You can help San Francisco immigrants from your own computer and using English!

Faith in Action Bay Area works directly with the SF Unified School District and United Educators, the SF teachers' union. The district has secured funding for two legal staff positions to assist the immigrant families of SFUSD students. **They could use our help keeping track of the ever-changing ICE and court appointments their community members have.**

The legal staff has asked Faith in Action to put together a little team to check the status of appointments monthly for this pool of roughly 500 people. This involves finding readily-available information on a DHS website, based on each person's "A Number" (the unique identifying number the US assigns to non-citizens). A group of 10 people could do this in a couple of hours each month, with each person looking up 50 people's information.

The work is a bit boring, but it's really important. It can prevent people from accidentally missing appointments and becoming liable for immediate deportation.

If you think you might be interested, contact Rebecca Gordon at rgordon@usfca.edu or 415-377-0945.

Men's Group: Saturday, August 1, 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 July 30, contact Dave Frangquist (frangquist@acm.org) or Peter Fairfield (peterlinnea@earthlink.net).

Come See the Compton's Cafeteria Play Friday August 7th! Let us know by July 15th!

Jim Oerther is organizing discounted group tickets to see a play being staged at the Tenderloin Museum called The Compton's Cafeteria Riot. for the evening of **Friday, July August 7th at 7PM**. Let's bring a St. Aidan's group! If you want to go, *please let Cameron or Jim know by Wednesday, July 15th.*

Good News Gardening - upcoming dates

We are continuing with the second Saturday of the month at our usual 12:30-2 pm time and our next dates will be **Aug 8, Sept 12**, etc. Please reach out to Margaret at mdyerc@stanford.edu with any questions.

New Jim Crow Anti-Racist Book Group, Today, Sunday, August 30, 4pm, via Zoom. We're reading *Devil in the Grove* by Gilbert King. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at mdyerc@stanford.edu.

Artseed's 20th Annual Interactive Art Exhibition - Opening Reception - July 11th 3-5pm

Patti Fong has recently joined Artseed as their program coordinator and wants to invite you to their 2026 annual art exhibition *So What Now? Figments, Domains, & Advance Directives*, which will be showing artwork made by young people from San Francisco in response to artworks made by children in Gaza, as well as artworks by guest artists. Artseed is a non-profit art education organization whose mission is to connect the most resourceful and gifted with the youngest and most vulnerable people of the Bay Area and beyond through art projects.

- **Opening Reception**, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, July 11
- **Closing Reception**, 5-7p.m. Friday, September 18
- **Location:** China Brotsky and Seed Galleries at Tides Converge in The Presidio, 1012 Torney Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94129
- Exhibition open to the public: Weekdays, 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- **Learn more:** <https://www.artseed.org/presidio-exhibition-2> or email Patti Fong (patti@artseed.org)

More Opportunities for Solidarity with Immigrants

Several local organizations offer opportunities to stand with immigrants facing Trump administration attacks.

Faith in Action(www.faithinactionba.org): Local branch of a national community-organizing group anchored in faith communities around the country. In the Bay Area they focus on housing and immigration. Opportunities include:

- **Immigration Court.** Accompany immigrants to their court hearings. You'll need at least conversational Spanish, and you'll be trained before you get started. For more information and the sign-up link: www.faithinactionba.org/accompaniment.
- **Rapid Response Network (203) 666-4472:** Faith in Action operates the San Mateo County Rapid Response phone network, providing information for immigrants and their supporters in the whole Bay Area, not just San Mateo. Call the number:
 - If you or a loved one has been detained by ICE
 - If you learn that someone has been detained by immigration enforcement
 - If you see ICE activity in the community
 - If you need accompaniment at an ICE Check-In or court appearance
 - If you need support filling out your asylum paperwork within the first year of entering the country
 - If you think immigration enforcement is contacting you by phone call or text message

Immigration court demonstrations and vigils: Several groups maintain a presence outside the immigration court at 100 Montgomery in downtown SF. Here are a couple:

- **Interfaith Court Vigil** (www.im4humanintegrity.org/category/events/): Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday every week. Sponsored by the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity. Click here to sign up: bit.ly/CourtVigilVolunteer.
- **Tuesday and Friday demonstrations:** Loosely organized, pretty confrontative demonstrations, called by Democratic Socialists of America and others.

Immigration Court Observers: The National Lawyers Guild trains non-lawyers to participate in observing and documenting what happens in immigration courts in S.F. Click here for more information: nlgsf.org/programs-committees/nlg-sfba-programs/immigration-justice-program/

Comprehensive action calendar: (www.actiontogetherwest.org/bayarea) A project that grew out of the 2016 Pantsuits Nation group, this is a very well-maintained and up-to-date calendar of resistance activities in the Bay Area.

St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Club

We resume meeting via zoom with LeeAnn DeSalles serving as our zoom master. She has set up a zoom link that will serve for all our meetings. If you 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, July 27, 2026 7:00 p.m.**
 - *The Soul of America: The Battle for our Better Angels* - by Jon Meacham
Meacham explores periods of U.S. history during which the politics of fear battled the politics of hope. He threads his narrative from the Reconstruction era in the postbellum South, to the Civil Rights era in the mid-20th century, to the era of Donald Trump, offering a message of reassurance for our contemporary political turmoil. (416 pages)
- NO MEETING IN AUGUST – HAPPY SUMMER VACATION!
- **Monday, Sept. 28, 2026 7:00 p.m.**
 - *Stone Yard Devotional* - by Charlotte Wood
A quiet, warmhearted novel that asks its readers not to rush ahead looking for a plot but to think about the deeper things that confront us all at one time or another. Shortlisted for the 2024 Booker Prize and praised for its gorgeous prose and profound emotional depth. (304 pages)

Contemplative Prayer: Tuesday & Thursday from 8-9 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. Thank you to Susan Spencer for anchoring this practice. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org.

Morning Prayer: Mon, Wed, Fri at 7:30 AM

We offer Morning Prayer in hybrid mode (at church and via Zoom) on Mondays and Wednesday, 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 continue to monitor public health advisories and may modify our mask policy, as appropriate. Please pray for the health and safety of all our members and friends as we continue to navigate this challenging time.

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

St. Aidan's Vestry

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Calendar for the Week of July 19, 2026

Sunday, July 19	Holy Eucharist, 8 AM (In Person) & 10 AM (Hybrid)
Monday, July 20	Morning Prayer (Hybrid), 7:30 AM
Tuesday, July 21	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom), 8 AM
Wednesday, July 22	Morning Prayer (Hybrid), 7:30 AM Evening Prayer (via Zoom), 7 PM
Thursday, July 23	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom), 8 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom), 3 PM
Friday, July 24	Morning Prayer (via Zoom), 7:30 AM Food Pantry, 1 PM
Saturday, July 25	Young & Jelly Wedding, 9 AM

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; for Julia, President of the House of Deputies, and for the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church.

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For Austin, our bishop; for those working in prison ministries across the diocese – in county jails, federal prisons and with those on death row.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: For the New Jim Crow Antiracist Book Group.

For those with birthdays this week: Grace, Sarah, Patricia, Cary.

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

For those who have asked for our prayers: André E., Ann C., Aubrey M., Bill W., Carol-Ann, Charles, Cindi G., Debbie C., Denise, Felicia F., George C., Isaac C., Jaime, Janice T., Jean W., Jelly J., Jenny M., Jill, Jim O., Jodi F., Joe, Joelle, John, Judy B., Julie A., Ken E., Lucinda G., Lynne and Meg S., Margarita, Marc L., Mark, Matthew G., Melissa W., Mercedes, Michaela, Milo R., Mina Marie, Owen, Patricia, the family of Patrick Dillane, Patty, Peter G., Rocky V. and Ruth S., Ron B., Stephanie M., Tawanda, Tony F., Tony L., Vicky, Zakaria E.

For our 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 this 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: Jessica Stevenson, Carole Harper, Carol Bertaut, Kate Murphy, Anna Yang, Marilyn Whitcher, Albert Tam, The Rev. Jan Cazden, Emily Hopkins, & Thales, Vanessa and Augusto Ushizima.

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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