

The Feast of St. Aidan
September 1, 2024



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
8:00 a.m.

The Story of St. Aidan

As one of Columba's monks on the Island of Iona, Scotland, Aidan was present at a council to discuss the problem of Northern England. King Oswald, who had spent a number of years in exile on Iona before reclaiming his kingdom, sent there in the year 633 for a monk to help Christianize Northumberland. Cormac, a bleak and severe man who was given the task, soon returned claiming the Northumbrians were stubborn, unteachable barbarians. Aidan responded, "Perhaps you have been too hard, expecting fruit when the trees were still saplings." As happens to those who speak up, he was promptly consecrated bishop and given the job.

Rather than centering his work in a city, Aidan chose the Isle of Lindisfarne on the coast of Northern England as the location for his monastery. Lindisfarne, like Aidan and his community, is both in and apart from the world. At low tide one can walk across a natural causeway from the mainland to the island. At high tide, the island is cut off from the coast.

Aidan was universally liked. The historian Bede, usually a severe critic of Celtic Christianity, writes, "He cultivated peace and love, unity and humility; he was above anger and greed, and despised pride and conceit." Aidan carried out the task not only of converting but also of civilizing Northern England. He founded schools, churches, and monasteries, and then left them to grow on their own while he moved on to a new place.

Lindisfarne was a center of learning and art, preserving the light of knowledge through the time of Europe's Dark Ages. From Lindisfarne came exquisitely illuminated manuscripts, including the Lindisfarne Gospels and the Book of Kells.* Aidan brought gifted young men and women to Lindisfarne and trained them to be the next generation of church leaders—so well that a half dozen of them are in the calendar of saints.

The flame which graces the outside of our building is the symbol of Aidan. The barbarian leader Penda, one of the better equipped of the many hordes vying for land and power in Northern England, attacked Oswald's royal castle and Bamborough near Lindisfarne. Brush was piled against the castle walls and fired, and the situation seemed hopeless. Aidan, seeing this from the island, prayed simply, "Behold, God, what Penda does." The wind immediately turned, sending the flames back against the attackers and saving the castle.

Aidan lived not as a prince bishop but as a simple monk, with an austerity difficult for us to imagine. He gave away almost every gift he was given, simply because someone else needed it, and he insisted that others, including the king, be just as generous. As Aidan grew older and found traveling on foot more difficult, the king gave him a horse from the royal stables. Aidan was overjoyed and rode out on his journey. But soon he met a beggar and gave him the horse, elaborate saddle and bridle included, and then continued on foot. The king was furious, asking, "Why that particular horse? Couldn't you at least have asked for an ordinary horse to give to the man?" Aidan retorted, "Do you care more for the child of a mare than for a child of God?" The king cast off his sword and knelt in repentance.

Aidan died on August 31, 651, outside the small church in Bamborough which had been built for him.

Written by Marilyn Geist

*The location of the creation of the Book of Kells is uncertain.

The Liturgy of the Word

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.***

Prayer of Praise

“The Christ of Iona” by Bonnie Bowman Thurston

Deacon or Presider Together let us offer praise to God, saying:

*The Christ of Iona
is the rock of ages,
stark solidity of elemental things.*

*The Christ of Iona
is the mirror-still sea,
the green giving life rain’s lashing.*

*The Christ of Iona
is the wild wind
on the highlands’ barren faces.*

*The Christ of Iona
is blazing fire,
summer solstice sun.*

*The Christ of Iona
is night’s impenetrable darkness,
the mystery of unknowing.*

*The Christ of Iona
is the sea birds’
freedom of flight.*

*The Christ of Iona
is lupine, yellow flag, foxglove,
the gratuitous color of creation.*

*The Christ of Iona
came from creation’s God
welcoming arms already extended.*

*The Christ of Iona
rises repeatedly to break open
life’s cosmic, fecundating egg.*

The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

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

Presider Let us pray.

O loving God, you called your servant Aidan from the cloister to re-establish the Christian mission in northern England: Grant that we, following his example, may use what you have given us for the relief of human need, and may persevere in commending the saving Gospel of our Redeemer Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading

Lector A reading from Bonnie Bowman Thurston.

Like as the hart
longeth for the water,
you with your twelve
fled like a stag
from the home of the Dove
to an aisle in the sea
and made of its rock
a cradle of Christianity.

Your house put its wealth
at the feet of the poor.
Your isle is called holy;
it gave up its store.

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

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

Psalm 103:13-18

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: Bless the Holy One, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits.

13 As parents care for their children,* so do you care for those who fear you.

14 For you know whereof we are made;* you remember that we are but dust.

15 Our days are like the grass;* we flourish like a flower of the field;

16 When the wind goes over it, it is gone,* and its place shall know it no more.

**17 But your merciful goodness endures for ever on those who fear you,*
and your righteousness on children's children;**

18 On those who keep your covenant* and remember your commandments and do them.

Antiphon: Bless the Holy One, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits.

The Second Reading

Lector A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (9:16-23).

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe betide me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law

(though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, so that I might by any means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

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 Matthew (19:27-30).

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

Peter said to Jesus, "Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Humanity is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.

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, Officiant, or Presider

As we honor Aidan of Lindisfarne, whose story comes down to us from a remote time and a distant land, we acknowledge that while he lived on earth, the Yelamu tribe of the Ramaytush Ohlone people had already inhabited and stewarded this unceded land for thousands of years.

May we walk humbly in the paths of those who came before us, and may their spirits burn brightly in our hearts.

Intercessor

Aidan was called to preach the Gospel to the people of another land who did not know Christ. We pray for all in the Church who bear the light of the Gospel.

Deacon or Officiant shares the Episcopal, Anglican, and Parish Cycles of Prayer, inviting additional prayers.

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People **Set our hearts on fire.**

Intercessor

Aidan called on kings and authorities to serve their people with kindness, mercy and justice. We pray for the relief of all who are oppressed and for those in authority that they may act with true justice and mercy.

Deacon or Officiant shares our communal prayers for justice, inviting additional prayers.

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People **Set our hearts on fire.**

Intercessor

Aidan walked wherever he went, keeping his feet firmly connected to his Mother Earth. We pray for the healing of the earth and that we might be in right relationship with all of God's creation.

The Intercessor pauses for additional prayers, shared either silently or aloud.

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People **Set our hearts on fire.**

Intercessor

Aidan gave freely of whatever he had to those in need. Let us pray for all in need, especially those in need of healing of body, mind or spirit.

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

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People **Set our hearts on fire.**

Intercessor

Aidan's flame continued to burn brightly long after he died to this life. Let us pray for those who have died.

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

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People ***Set our hearts on fire.***

Intercessor

Aidan found great joy in the Gospel of Christ. Let us give joyful thanks for all the blessings of this life.

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

Intercessor Spirit of the living God,
People ***Set our hearts on fire.***

Officiant

All these things we pray in honor of our patron Aidan, and in the Name of Jesus Christ our Savior. ***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.

The Deacon 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:

***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.***

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 has 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 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 Fraction

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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:

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, Officiant, or Presider remove the bread and wine from the table.

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.
All **God our strength and joy,
we thank you for the communion of our life together,
for the inspiration of Aidan,
and for the Sacrament of the Body and Blood
of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that it may renew our hope
and nourish us for the work you set before us
to witness to the presence of Christ in the world,
through the power of your Spirit,
and to the glory of your Name. 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

Presider

Blessed be the God who lifts us up,
Blessed be the God of heaven,
Blessed be the risen and ascended Lord,
Blessed be the Christ in glory.
Bless us, God, with vision,
Bless us, God, with faith,
Bless us, God, with hope. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Deacon or Presider

Let us bless God.

People

Thanks be to God.

SOURCES

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- The Post Communion Prayer is from *Enriching Our Worship I*, 69.
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Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider & Preacher*

Kate Fritz, *Altar Guild*

JoEllen Brothers, *Bread Baker*

Announcements

Save the Date: Finding Our Way with Giving and Receiving Care A Conversation with Susan Halpern
St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 101 Gold Mine Drive, **Sunday, 8 September 2024, 11:30am to 1:30 pm**

Susan Halpern, Social Worker and Psychotherapist and author of *The Etiquette of Illness: What to Say When You Can't Find the Words*, is offering a discussion/workshop at St. Aidan's.

Life happens! All of us, irrespective of age, whether due to an accident, injury, or acute or chronic illness have found that there will be a time when we need help from others. We may also be in a position to offer help. Often, especially in the dying and grieving process or having received devastating health news, we don't know what to say and feel helpless.

Join us as Susan Halpern presents thoughtful responses to the common experiences her clients, people like you, have had and learn:

- How to support someone without being intrusive while honoring boundaries;
- What to say or not to say to someone who is grieving or dealing with a life threatening illness;
- How to offer help in an effective manner, and
- How to navigate the struggle of changes in roles, moving from independence to dependence on others for some of life's basic needs.

Most importantly, by sharing our experiences, we can be open to kindness, love, acceptance, and compassion for ourselves and others.

St. Aidan's is at 101 Gold Mine Drive, San Francisco. Street parking is available on either Gold Mine Drive and Diamond Hts. Blvd. The conversation will also be accessible via Zoom; reach out to office@staidanssf.org for the link.

Men's Group

Saturday, September 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 September 5, contact Dave Frangquist (frangquist@acm.org).

Our St. Aidan's Women's Spirituality Group will meet via zoom Saturday September 14th, at 10:15. As before, we will have time for both checking in and personal sharing as well as time for spiritual growth. We are certainly open to formats and approaches such as reflections on a poem, scripture, narrative passage or another focus for our growth. We want our group to meet the needs and desires of those who participate. If you want to join us, and we hope you will, please contact Elaine Mannon at elaine@mannon.com to get the information for signing into our meeting.

Eucharistic Minister & Visitor Training - coming up September 15 at 11:45 AM

Would you like to be a chalice bearer at church on Sunday mornings, or bring Communion to members of our community who cannot attend the Eucharist in person? This is a powerful ministry of visitation and presence that we can share, bringing communion beyond our walls in addition to the ways our Zoom worship keeps us connected. Come attend a training, led by Cameron, after the 10 AM service on Sunday, September 15th. Then come the following Sunday to the Whole & Healthy training, led by Caren Miles of our Diocesan staff. Thank you for your commitment to one another.

Whole & Healthy Training with Caren Miles + & Livescan Background Checks Coming Up September 22nd at 11:45 AM Caren Miles from the Formation Working Group on the Bishop's Staff will be joining us on Sunday, September 22 at 11:45 AM to lead a Whole & Healthy (formerly known as "Safe Church") training for all parish volunteers (e.g. vestry, food pantry, pastoral visitors). This training must be done once every three years. If you haven't done this training within the last three years, please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Our diocese also now requires Live scan fingerprinting background checks (one every five years) for parish volunteers. While this can be done through places like UPS, a company from the East Bay has agreed to come and do them here in conjunction with Caren Miles' training. Live scan cost \$20 per person, and the company takes debit cards, credit cards Apple Pay, Google Pay, Samsung Pay, or cash (but *not* personal checks). Please reach out to Cameron if the \$20 presents a hardship. Thank you so much to all who volunteer in the various facets of St. Aidan's life and the life of our wider neighborhood and diocese, and thank you for your care and commitment in upholding the safety of all.

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

The group's next meeting will be *Today, Sunday, August 25 at 4 pm via Zoom*. We're reading *Thick: And Other Essays* by Tressie McMillan Cottom. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at mdyerc@stanford.edu.

Discerning God's future for the Diocese of California

An invitation to join the Strategic Vision process

Last year, the Executive Council of the Diocese of California established a [Strategic Vision Committee](#) (SVC) to foster long-term planning for adaptive change in response to the challenges and opportunities facing our diocese. The SVC is working collaboratively with Bishop Austin to co-create a strategic vision plan. This work invites the active participation of the wider diocesan community as we prayerfully and joyfully discern God's promised and preferred future for our diocese. We are all in this together, and your involvement is essential to our success.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the Strategic Vision process and read answers to frequently asked questions. In the meantime, we warmly invite you to attend one of the listening sessions scheduled for September:

- Thursday, September 5, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; [St. Stephen's, Orinda](#)
- Saturday, September 14, Noon – 2:00 p.m.; [Nativity, San Rafael](#)
- Monday, September 16, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; [St. Ambrose, Foster City](#)
- Thursday, September 25 – 27, Clergy Retreat*; [The Bishop's Ranch](#)
- UPDATED: Tuesday, October 3, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; Online Zoom Meeting

Spanish interpretation will be available at all listening sessions, and written materials from each session will be translated into Spanish, Mandarin, Tagalog, and Tongan.

The SVC will present its learnings from the sessions at this year's diocesan convention (October 25 and 26).

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, September 30, 2024 7:00 p.m.**
 - *The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide For Trying Times* by Jane Goodall, Douglas Abrams, and Gail Hudson – “Explores through intimate and thought-provoking dialogue one of the most sought after and least understood elements of human nature: hope.” (272 pages)
- **Monday, October 28, 2024 7:00 p.m.**
 - *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. An exploration of friendship, reckoning, and hope tracing a widow's unlikely friendship with a giant Pacific octopus reluctantly residing in a local aquarium. A beautiful examination of how loneliness can be transformed. (368 pages)
- **November 25, 2024 7:00 p.m.**
 - *The Swerve: How the World Became Modern* by Stephen Greenblatt. Relates the quest of a Renaissance book hunter who located a copy of Lucretius' “On the Nature of Things” that had been lost to history for more than a thousand years. Its re-emergence, suggests the author, was a kind of secular miracle that linked virtue with living a full life and, what would be called the greatest thought mankind ever had, the concept that all matter is made up of atoms that are in eternal, swirling motion. (368 pages)

Good News Gardens

Our remaining 2024 dates are: **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.

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 September 1, 2024

Sunday, September 1	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 8 & 10 AM
Monday, September 2	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, September 3	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Wrestling with the Scriptures (via Zoom) at 10:30
Wednesday, September 4	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM Diamond Diners, at 12 PM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM
Thursday, September 5	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) at 3 PM
Friday, September 6	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Food Pantry (at church) from 1-2 PM
Saturday, September 7	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Men's Group (via Zoom) at 9 AM

St. Aidan's Vestry

Kate Fritz, *Senior Warden*; Lee Hammack, *Junior Warden*
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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: For Michael our Presiding Bishop; Sean our presiding bishop-elect; for our bishop Austin.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: For Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For St. Aidan's, Bolinas.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: For the Men's Group.

For those with birthdays this week: Shelley, Peter, John, William..

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, Azaleah G., Cary, the family of Doug Y., Harlean D., Irma P., Jaime, Janice T., Jenny M., Jim O., Joe, Joelle, Judy B., Margarita, Mark, Mercedes, Mina, Patricia, Paul M. and family, Pete M., 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.

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: Virginia Procter, Kathy Randlett, Michelle Henry, Marybeth Wallace, 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 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. 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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