

Advent III / Christ the King



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
November 20, 2022
8:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy and living God.
People ***You come to your people and set them free.***

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

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

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

The Collect of the Day

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

***God of unbroken weakness, you laugh at our love of power:
may we find kingship in the love that is killed for speaking his name
without even the shadow of force;
through Jesus Christ, King of Fools. Amen.***

The First Reading

Lector A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah (23:1-6).

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

The Song of Zechariah

Luke 1: 68-79

***Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.***

***He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.***

*Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.*

*He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.*

*This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,*

*Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.*

*You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,*

*To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.*

*In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,*

*To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

The Second Reading

Lector A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians (1:11-20).

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke (23:33-43).

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at

him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Scot Sherman

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

Nicene Creed

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

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified;
Who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,*

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Deacon

The early church lived in the daily presence of Advent with attention, patience, and active listening as they vigilantly awaited the coming of Christ. Help us to live as they did, in the joyful expectation of entering God's realm.

Intercessor

In these dimmest days of the year, waiting for the light of Christ, help us to live our lives in the way we pray, with joyful hope.

People **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

Intercessor

For the universal Church separated by the shadows of centuries, we pray that we come together to the light of a new day to serve the needs of humanity. For the St. Aidan's programs in which we collaborate with our neighbors including the Friday Food Pantry, Diamond Diners, Good News Gardens, and Resilient Diamond Heights. And for our congregational discernment through the Vital and Thriving program.

Deacon (or Presider) reads the cycles of prayer.

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

Intercessor

We pray for this country once a shining star for many immigrants to start a new life, and for this region, the unceded land of the Yelamu tribe of the Ramaytush Ohlone people. We pray that we come together in unity for the work of repair, for justice, goodness, mercy, and love.

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

Intercessor

We pray for the human family. We acknowledge our reliance on each other to address the difficulties our world faces: war, disease, climate change, injustices, and the peril faced by people on the move like Mary and Joseph.

Deacon (or Presider) shares prayers for justice from our prayer list

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

Intercessor

We pray for our Bay Area community, for people seeking shelter as winter approaches, for people affected by the severe drug overdose crisis, and for people working to improve the lives of others.

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People **O come, o come Emmanuel.**

Intercessor

We pray for the sick and those who have asked for our prayers.

Deacon (or Presider) reads the names of the sick on our prayer list.

Congregation adds their own prayers.

Intercessor

We pray for those who have died, from war, from gun violence and other forms of violence, from natural disasters, from disease, and for all those who have died recently, and for those who mourn their loss.

Deacon (or Presider) reads the names of the deceased on our prayer list.

Congregation adds their own prayers.

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

Intercessor

We give thanks, O God, for your light and your blessings in our lives.

Deacon (or Presider) reads the prayer list for birthdays.

Congregation adds their own blessings.

Intercessor Help us to live our lives with joyful hope.

People *O come, o come Emmanuel.*

Presider

God of hope, we remember your promise to be with us always. Help us to live our lives in the way we pray. **Amen.**

The Confession

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

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

Presider

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

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

Announcements

Stewardship Speaker – Dave Frangquist

Offertory Sentence

Presider Let us with joy bring offerings of our life and labor to God.

The Deacon 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 our thanks and praise.***

Presider

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

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

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

***Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.
Hosanna in the highest.***

The Presider continues

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

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

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

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

***Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.***

The Presider continues

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

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

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray,
All **God in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider breaks the bread and says,

Presider We are the Body of Christ.

All **We behold who we are; may we become one with the One we receive.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

All **Living Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes, who has nourished us in spirit, the word of life in whom our joy is complete: embolden us to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love.. Amen.**

Healing Prayer

Anyone is invited to make a request for healing prayer.

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

Blessing

Presider

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

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless God.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Scot Sherman, *Presider & Preacher*
Kit Cameron, *Altar Guild*

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Announcements

Cameron is on Sabbatical

Cameron will be back from his sabbatical on November 27th.

Ingathering Sunday

Next Sunday, November 27th, will be our Stewardship Pledge Ingathering Sunday. We ask that you prayerfully consider making a 2023 Stewardship Intention. Bring your card to the church or send your pledge to pledge@nocero.com.

Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship Continues This Week

This week our worship will continue to be hybrid, with both in person and Zoom platforms available. We encourage you to connect to with worship in whatever way is comfortable and feels safest for you.

Updated Mask Policy: After carefully considering survey input from parish members, as well as City and diocesan guidance and the current practices of other churches and public venues, the Regathering Committee has concluded that it is time to revise our mask policy. Beginning Sunday, November 20, if you are fully vaccinated and are comfortable removing your mask, you may do so during church services. We will respect the preference of anyone who feels safer by remaining masked. In accordance with diocesan guidance, the celebrant will still be masked while consecrating and distributing the elements for the Eucharist. We will also maintain a well-ventilated sanctuary by opening doors and windows, so remember to dress warmly as winter approaches. We acknowledge that COVID is likely to be with us in some form for the foreseeable future, and we will be monitoring public health advisories. Our mask policy be modified again as is appropriate. Please pray for the health and safety of all our members and friends as we continue to navigate this challenging time.

Locking Up Reminder

Please check that both front doors are locked when leaving the church. The red door and the outside black door closest to the Wajnert Room use the same key now and both are being used. It's important to always make sure that both are locked when leaving.

Martin de Porres 2022

This year Martin de Porres House of Hospitality is requesting socks and blankets as an alternative to turkeys St Aidan's donated in years past.

JoEllen Brothers will collect monetary and in kind donations (new, unused socks and twin size blankets) through November 20th.

Please let her know if you plan to participate. 415-613-5679 or joellen.brothers@yahoo.com.

Christmas Giving at Saint Aidan's

Please join in our Christmas giving at St. Aidan's. This year we have two options (listed in order of when the gifts are due:)

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

Our neighbor Urban Angels (<https://www.urbanangelssf.org/>) is sponsoring a toy drive for children in shelter throughout the city. They have asked for our help in collecting gifts for children 6-12 years of age (an age group they find it difficult to identify donors for.) We have committed to providing 35 unisex gifts for these age groupings:

- 15 gifts for children 6-8 years old
- 10 gifts for children 9-10 years old
- 10 gifts for children 11-12 years old.

Value of each gift should be in the \$25-45 range. Suggested items: board games, legos, books, art supplies. Please bring gifts, unwrapped, to St. Aidan's by December 4th. Deacon Margaret (mdyerc@stanford.edu) will have a clipboard and list at the church for sign-ups; please contact her with any questions.

SafeHouse Gift Card Drive

SafeHouse, an organization that empowers and supports women who are experiencing housing instability and sexual exploitation or trafficking (<https://www.sfsafehouse.org/>) is well known to St. Aidan's. We are again collecting gift cards for the women of SafeHouse. We have committed to 10 gift cards at the \$60.00 level. Any extra money will be used to purchase cards for women who come to the drop in center and are in need. Susan Spencer will be collecting your donations, and she will purchase the gift cards with funds raised. Please contact Susan with any questions – 363spencer@gmail.com. Donations need to be to Susan by Sunday December 18.

The Standing Committee has provided the following prayer for this period of transition in our diocese:

- *Almighty God, giver of every good gift, by your grace you have called us into one fellowship of faith: Look graciously on the people of the Diocese of California during this time of transition. May we be guided in heart and mind by your Holy Spirit to seek and welcome a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us to perform the work of the Church. Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us do. Save us from all false choices, that in your light we may see light, and on your path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Bishop Search Listening Sessions: The Search and Transition Committee invites all members of the Diocese of California to share in a conversation about our hopes for the next bishop. We want to hear what you believe the skills, qualities, and gifts our next bishop will have that will lead us forward in the next ten to fifteen years. All the data will be compiled and compared to discern more clearly where the Holy Spirit is leading us in this critical work. If you were not able to attend the San Francisco session, you can attend any of the other Listening Sessions scheduled around the diocese. For more information, go to [Diocesan Listening Sessions Announced | The Episcopal Diocese of California Bishop Search \(diocalbishopsearch.org\)](#).

Congregant Reyna Greenfield needs a lady to help her after surgery (scheduled for December 8) when she gets home to help her get out of bed and prepare something to eat. NO medical help needed. She needs someone who is vaccinated against COVID as she is. Please call her in the evenings anytime after 6pm starting next week Her phone number is **916-473-3594**.

St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Group - Next Date: Monday, November 28, 7pm

We will continue to meet 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 leeannedsalles@comcast.net. If you would like to join the Book Group, please contact elaine@mannon.com.

- **Monday, November 28, 2022 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**
 - **Fierce Attachments** – Vivian Gormick (181 pages) An unsparing, deeply courageous memoir about the author's lifelong battle with her widowed mother for independence.

Good News Gardens – next date: December 3 at 12:30 PM

Please join us! Question? Contact Deacon Margaret (Mdyerc@stanford.edu)

Natalie Lloyd

A memorial/celebration of life service will take place on **December 4 at 2:30 pm** at St. Aidan's.

Music on the Hill: Sunday, December 4, 2022 at 7:30 PM: Town Quartet with guest composer/ violinist Alisa Rose

Details to follow.

New Habitat for Humanity Date – Saturday Dec. 17, 8:30 – 4:00 pm

We have a new Habitat date at the Amber Drive site in Diamond Heights – we've had a great time each Saturday we've participated and all are welcome – there's a job for everyone! Contact Deacon Margaret (mdyerc@stanford.edu or 650-619-0781) if you would like to sign up - she will inform you about the Habitat on-line sign up process.

Next New Jim Crow Anti-Racist book group meeting - January 8, 4 pm

We're reading Her Honor by LaDoris Cordell. All are welcome – please contact Deacon Margaret for the Zoom link. (mdyerc@stanford.edu)

Please send in your recipes for the COVID Connect Cookbook!

As shared in previous weeks, Peter Fairfield and Linnea Sweet are putting together the COVID Connect Cookbook. He's received several recipes thus far but would very much like more. He writes:

We are living through a time that will change our world in ways that we cannot yet begin to understand. We can hope that our shared vulnerability to this virus worldwide will help us see that all humanity is connected and that we must all work together. As we shelter in place, many of us are concerned with food. If we are not working, how will we afford it? If we cannot go out, how will we get it?

In our community of Saint Aidan's, many are able to feed themselves and to help others get fed. More than that, we appreciate the food that we get and are finding new ways of making the sharing of food as enjoyable as possible.

The soup recipes that Cameron has been sharing have made our diet much more enjoyable and have given Linnea and I the inspiration to collect recipes from all the congregation and share them. We ask that everyone with a favorite recipe email it to us at peterlinnea@earthlink.net. We will collect and edit them into a cookbook which will be a lasting reminder of this strange and special time in all our lives.

We hope to be able to publish this cookbook in printed form and sell it to raise funds in support of Saint Aidan's food ministries. We know you have been sharing food. Now please share your recipes!

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

Contemplative prayer continues during this time of sheltering in place, 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 offering to anchor this practice once again, especially the Saturday, during this time. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access

information: office@staidansf.org.

Morning Prayer continues: Mon, Wed, Fri at 7:30 AM via Zoom

We also continue to have Morning Prayer to help sustain and ground us, online/over the phone! Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org.

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

Our in-coming CDSP Seminarian Weston Morris has resumed the service. Evening Prayer usually lasts a half hour. Readings for the day often feature commemorations from the Episcopal Church's 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

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 November 20, 2022

Sunday, November 20	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 8 & 10 AM
Monday, November 21	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, November 22	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM
Wednesday, November 23	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM
Thursday, November 24	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Thanksgiving Day Take Away Meals, 12 PM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) from 3-4 PM
Friday, November 25	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Food Pantry (at Church) from 1-2 PM
Saturday, November 26	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM

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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 who have lived in vital relationship with this holy place for thousands of years.

In the Episcopal Church: Pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Marc our Bishop; the clergy of the Diocese; our Rector Cameron; our sabbatical priest Scot; our assisting priests Don and Gary; our Deacons Margaret, and Mark; our Music Minister Barry; our Guest Music Minister David; our seminarian Weston; our postulant Lisa; our Childcare Provider CoCo.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Luke's, San Francisco.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Morning Prayer Ministry.

For those with birthdays this week: Alain, Mark, Cameron, Margaret, Patricia.

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

For those who have asked for our prayers: Barry K., Dawn, Elaina L., George J., Margaret T, Michael & Elaine J., Patrick M.

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

For our work in the world: Habitat for Humanity on Amber Drive, the Friday Food Pantry, Diamond Diners.

For Oscar Grant, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks, Elijah McClain, Walter Wallace, Adam Toledo, Daunte Wright, and all whose lives have borne deep witness that Black Lives Matter, and that systemic racism, white supremacy, and police brutality must be eradicated.

For our congregation as we embrace our call to be a sanctuary people, may we commit ourselves to prayer, education, and practices of sanctuary to support immigrants to this country and all people who are estranged, excluded, or threatened in 21st century America.

For all who are struggling in this time of pandemic, vulnerability, intensified injustice and division; for strength, support, and community across physical distances and for deepened engagement and commitment to our common life;

For those who have recently died: Jean Amos, Marjorie Wilkins Jones, John Morrow, Natalie Lloyd, Sabra Sones, Eleanor Elliott, Joseph Potenti, Ellie McCarthy, Christine Ortiz.

Names of the living are printed by first name only unless otherwise requested.

Living prayer request names will be kept on the prayer list for four weeks;
to keep someone on the list for longer, please notify the office.

To place a name on our prayer list, please contact the church office
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