



Who was St. Aidan? Click her for 4 minutes of history!

Dear Friends,

This Thursday is August 31, the feast of St. Aidan of Lindisfarne, our patron. The name Aidan was chosen for our congregation, long ago, because of our proximity to the University. Aidan of Lindisfarne's work in the 7th century, restoring the church in North Umbria (England), was based from a monastery of young monks from the local community.

#### Of Aidan it is said (by the historian Bede):

He neither sought nor loved anything of this world, but delighted in distributing immediately to the poor whatever was given him by kings or rich men of the world. He traversed both town and country on foot, never on horseback, unless compelled by some urgent necessity. Wherever on his way he saw any, either rich or poor, he invited them, if pagans, to embrace the mystery of the faith; or if they were believers, he sought to strengthen them in their faith and stir them up by words and actions to alms and good works.

This year on St. Aidan's Feast Day, we'll be offering our annual Free Sweet Cow Ice Cream for Student Welcome from 1-3pm. I consider it an extension of the generosity of St. Aidan, and a sign of grace for our neighbors on campus.

I am looking forward to our 75th Anniversary Party on Sept. 15. Scroll down, also, to read about so many opportunities to get connected. In the Visioning Update, please take note of an important meeting on Sunday, October 1, and mark your calendars--we'll provide

more information as it gets closer.

Also, you are beloved.

Faithfully,

M. Mary Kate Rejouis+

P.S. The Church Office will be closed NEXT Monday, September 4 for Labor Day.

Take Faith Home Proper 16 Sunday August 27, 2023

#### Students are back & Bread+Belonging signups are live!

Visit

www.saintaidans.org/food-for-breadbelonging to sign up to bring food and support Bread+Belonging Campus Ministry!

Your generosity is needed and welcome. Sign up for as many or as few items (some are ingredients and some are prepared) as you can. Please plan on delivering the food NO LATER than 4PM on Tuesday. If you bring items before Tuesday, please label them with B+B and the Tuesday date (for example "B+B for August 29").

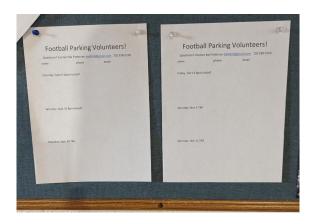
Volunteers are always welcome at 4pm to help with food preparation as the meal is prepared for serving at 6pm. Stay and help if you are able!

#### Sign up for our upcoming fundraiser!

If you would like to be a part of St Aidan's largest fundraiser, here's your chance!

For six weekends in the fall we host CU Football fans as they tailgate and then attend each game. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gingy Pat Hall - please join us if you can!

Questions? Contact Bal Patterson: 720 938-5250 or by email.



### and Acolyte Training with snacks!

Bring something to share after church, and join us for a conversation with Richard and Catherine Ranger, missionaries with SAMS (Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders). The Rangers describe their work as "We are called to bring our legal and development expertise to Uganda Christian University. We are involved in teaching, advising and mentoring students in UCU's School of Business and the Faculty of Law."

Young people who want to learn how to acolyte, or have a refresher and get to know other acolytes, please plan to stay for about 90 minutes after church. Please let <a href="Chief Verger">Chief Verger</a>
<a href="Jennie Garcia">Jennie Garcia</a> know you plan to attend if you haven't already. Acolytes will be commissioned and blessed on Sunday, September 17!



#### Sunday Morning Hospitality Thank You!

A big thank you to all those who provided hospitality for the Sunday coffee hours this summer. Snacks were enjoyed by many. Thank you: Sheryl Bain, Bronwyn Fraser, Paul Voakes, Gillian Brown, Kim Keffeler, Meriah Meloche and Jennie Garcia. Please look for the new sign up sheet in the parish hall if you are able to assist with this ministry going into the fall.

#### Parking Passes Available

If you know someone who is looking for an Annual (August 15 2023 to August 15 2024) Parking Pass in the St. Aidan's Lot, please let them know to check out <a href="https://www.saintaidans.org/parking">www.saintaidans.org/parking</a> while we're renewing and selling. These passes are for M-F 7am to 7pm and do not include overnight, weekend, or parking for special events like CU Football Games and Concerts at Folsom Field.

Ice Cream for Welcome Back and Welcome to CU!

# ST. AIDAN'S FEAST DAY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31 1-3PM FREE SWEET COW ICE CREAM TRUCK AND CU WELCOME



Coming soon at St. Aidan's

## St. Aídan's 75th Anniversary Evening

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# or <u>CLICK HERE</u> to buy tickets!

Come celebrate with us! Friday September 15, 2023 6:30 - 9:30pm

at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church 2425 Colorado Ave, Boulder, CO 80302

Any questions can be directed to

Mary Martin (<u>marypmartin66@gmail.com</u>) or

Melanie Sokhey (<u>melanie.sokhey@gmail.com</u>)

#### Difficult Dialogues 2023

Please join us for Difficult Dialogues 2023: Antisemitism and Being Jewish in the US on Wednesday, September 13, 7-8:30pm (doors open at 6:30pm) at Grace Commons (1820 15th Street, Oerter Room). M. Mary Kate Rejouis will serve as a panelist.

This Fall 2023 Difficult Dialogues topic will engage with the rise of anti-Semitism in the last decade-a rise that some might say has never disappeared and has resurfaced with events like the march on Charlottesville, the attack on the Tree of Life synagogue, and recent comments by celebrities. Difficult Dialogues are offered in partnership with the CU Center for the Humanities and Arts.

Registration is required <u>HERE</u> and you can learn more about the Difficult Dialogues <u>HERE</u>



Have you ever felt in your heart that you are called to something? Have you ever wanted to read the Bible without feeling frustrated and confused? Have you ever yearned for a safe place to explore your faith? Do you often wonder how the words in the Bible are relevant in your life and the modern world? If you answer yes to any of these questions, please consider accepting this invitation to join the Education for Ministry (EfM) group at St. Johns, Boulder.

A seminar like no other, EfM is much more than Bible study. You'll come to understand what your faith means to you and how you might better walk your talk in these complex times.

If you are interested in exploring what EfM has to offer and have questions or are ready to put your name on our list for the next year, contact Pamela White (pswhite@earthlink.net — 720-272-2024) or Amanda Schwartz (teamschwartz@gmail.com — 650-941-4840). We are happy to answer your questions and describe the EfM seminar in detail. This year the signup process is completely online. If you contact us, we will send you the online registration link as soon as it is available (usually in July). Space is limited so please contact us soon!

#### Anti-racism Work is a Lifelong Transformation



#### Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles, Fall 2023

A ministry of the Episcopal Church, Sacred Ground is a sensitive, prayerful resource that creates space for difficult but respectful and transformative dialogue on race and racism. Participants are invited to walk back through history in order to peel away the layers that brought us to today, reflecting on family histories and stories, as well as important narratives that shape the collective American story. It holds as a guiding star the vision of beloved community—where all people are honored and

protected and nurtured as beloved children of God. Four circles, hosted by clergy and lay leadership across the diocese, are now open for registration. Episcopalians across the state are invited to participate. The list of dialogue circles below includes information about dates, leaders, and format, as well as a link to register. Questions? Please contact Missioner Tracy Methe.

- Circle 1: Every other Thursday via Zoom, 10:00-11:30 am; meet and greet September 7; session 1 September 14. Facilitators: the Rev. Nancy Johnson Bookstein, St. Brigit, Frederick, and Abby Mooney, Holy Comforter, Broomfield.
- Circle 2: Every other Monday via Zoom, 6:30-8:00 pm, beginning September 18. Facilitators: the Rev. Kaye Piper and Rob Merrill, St. John the Baptist, Granby.
- Circle 3: Every other Wednesday in-person at St. Michael's, Colorado Springs, 6:30-8:30 pm, beginning September 27. Facilitator: the Rev. Gary Darress, St. Michael's, Colorado Springs.
- Circle 4: Every other Wednesday via Zoom, 4:00-6:00 pm, beginning October 18. Facilitators: Suzanne Segady and Joan Ray, Grace & St. Stephen's, Colorado Springs.

Learn More About Sacred Ground

Register for a Sacred Ground Circle

#### St. Aidan's Writing Group

This group and others in the Parish submit their writing and share with our congregation. This group has been meeting together for more than two years now. Curious? Email Paul Voakes for information.



• Make new friends by Marty Coffin Evans

#### Pilgrimage Opportunity with St. Mary Magdalene

Want to learn more about immigration and see how nonprofits and churches are sharing God's love with our immigrant siblings? Join St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church (Gunbarrel) for a pilgrimage to the



Arizona/Sonora, Mexico border October 16-21st! The Canon for Border Ministries in the diocese of Arizona will guide us and share insight about this special place.

If you're considering the pilgrimage or want to learn more, please email the <u>Rev.</u> <u>Sasha Bilow</u>. Scholarships are available and we will be finalizing our travel list soon!

This group meets by Zoom Video on Wednesdays from 10 to 11:30 am. All are welcome, friends and neighbors too! The reading schedule is on the church calendar. Starting Sept. 6, we will be reading Thomas Wolfe's novel "Look Homeward, Angel".

If you are interested and are not currently receiving book group emails, please email <a href="Jim Paine">Jim Paine</a> at to receive the weekly Zoom meeting ID and password, and other information about the schedule and readings (and for any questions).

The Healing Team invites you to a quiet time of praying silently and voicing the requested prayers of our community. The prayer room is also open for individual, confidential prayer.

http://www.tinyurl.com/aidanmeet1



#### Send us your photos!

We are updating the parish bulletin boards in the hallway and we need parishioners to share photos of church events - especially from 2000 onwards! Photos can be shared digitally or physically – if someone has physical photographs we will scan them and return them.

Please contact Melanie Sokey at melanie.sokhey@gmail.com



#### Visioning & Discernment Update

The question before us is this: what is God calling St. Aidan's to be, to do, and to look like 75 years from now?

Our Partnerships Team has been quiet over the summer, as we pause to work closely with <u>Trestle Strategy Group</u> for our property analysis and program study.

Mark your calendars now for an important meeting on Sunday, October 1 after 10am church with Danica Powell and Marine Siohan. This will be one of the primary congregational opportunities to hear an update on the property analysis and also share ideas for our needs over the next decades.

Questions? Email Committee Co-Chairs <u>Bal Patterson</u> or <u>Pam Greene</u> or <u>Senior Warden</u> Paul Voakes.

Worshipping Christ, and shining His light to CU, Boulder, and the world.

### Make a Pledge Commitment to St. Aidan's for 2023

#### Commended to our Prayers

Prayers for Healthcare Workers & those working at high risk jobs: Danielle and Grant Muller, nurses at Denver hospitals, Cameron Muller, first responder and EMT for Denver Metro fire station, Michelle, Mike Murphy, Mike Greenwood, Edith Presler, Jen Watkins, Dowell Williams, Ryan, Marty Gilkey, Caitlin Fischer, teachers, those who work in schools, and caregivers in day care centers.

For our CU Campus, and especially the Bread+Belonging community and the LCM Board during this time of transition.

For the Long-term Recovery of Boulder County and surrounding areas after the Marshall Fire.

For those in need of bodily healing: Roy Faverty, Kay Gibson, Troyanne Thigpen, Bob Moore, Dowell Williams, Ruth, Lou Patterson, Mike Metzdorff, Greg Smith, Pat Galvin, David Huff, Kelly Boyer and family, Nancy Costello, Kevin Costello, Richard Hunter.

For those seeking God's guidance and strength all who seek employment, Patrick Costello and family, Diane Hayes, Luke, Barb Williams, Travis, Jonathan Nelson, Barbara Metzdorff, Heidi, Derek and Lauren Huff, Tyler.

For those in need of prayers for our mission abroad: Richard and Catherine Ranger, former parishioners of St. Aidan's, are missionaries with SAMS, (Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders) and serve Uganda Christian University (UCU).

For those who serve in the US Military, especially: Parker Rost (Marine Corps), Commander Michael Stengel, for soldiers deploying and their chaplains and families.

For those who have died: Rick Adams, Erin Lincoln, the Rev. Dan Northway.

For those celebrating birthdays: Temple Meloche (8/25), Carol-Anne Garrison (8/25).

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