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Dear Friends,

From time to time, I forget the immense joy and deep gratitude that comes from praying, receiving Holy Communion, and gathering in a community that has done so for a long time, week after week. It is easy to get caught up in the worries of the day or the week or the year. This week, for St. Aidan's 75th Anniversary Celebration on Friday, we'll remember God's blessing of our coming together as a church since 1948. What a joy it is to share faithfulness, kindness, mercy, and ministry across decades!

As we have been grounded in God these 75 years, we have, for the past 20 months, also been discerning how God is leading us to be present as St. Aidan's Episcopal Church for the NEXT 75 years. In July, we began working with Trestle Strategy Group. On Sunday, October 1, after 10am worship, our consultants will present their work thus far, and help us to work together as a congregation on the next steps--in the very hard work of faithful and forward planning. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend this meeting after church on October 1.

Coming up this Sunday, September 17, now that everyone is back to school, and work, and various other things (for those who are retired), we'll be **commissioning our acolytes** and also blessing students' backpacks (or briefcases, or laptop sleeves, or whatever constitutes your work tools). Acolytes will receive a cross to wear while serving and a book. We'll have luggage tags to give for backpacks and other items.

Finally, I am sad that our planned visit to St. Aidan's from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry on October 11 will not take place--he has suffered from some health setbacks and is

awaiting surgery on September 20. Please keep Bishop Curry, and his family in your prayers.

Faithfully, joyfully, and with abiding hope, M. Mary Kate Rejouis+



Take Faith Home Proper 18 Sunday September 10, 2023



Centering Prayer Group + Fridays 3:00-3:45 PM + Sept 15 - Dec 15

Centering Prayer is a modern prayer practice that renews the ancient Christian contemplative tradition of Silent Prayer. This simple method has no elaborate props

or required credentials, only a willingness and desire to sit comfortably in a quiet environment, close our eyes, and oftentimes experience God's presence. We would love to have you drop in or join the group!

We meet on Fridays, 3:00 - 3:45 PM, September 15 - December 15, in St. Aidan's Chapel. We practice Lectio Divina with a Bible passage from the Daily Office readings and a 20-minute sitting silent prayer.

Let us know you would like to receive group reminders and centering prayer resources.

Amanda Barker, St. Aidan's Seminarian Intern

Send Mail to our Seminarians!

Please send a note of encouragement or prayer to our Seminarians as they start this school year. They are:

Kevin Criley (Junior/1st year) Virginia Theological Seminary SG 304, 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304

Durango Jenkins (Senior/3rd year) 3737 Seminary Rd SM 201, Alexandria, VA 22304-5202

Charles Martin (Senior/3rd year) 335 Tennessee Avenue, Sewanee, TN, 37383

In late December, right after Christmas, we'll be sending Care Packages to Durango and Charles for when they take the General Ordination Examinations* January 2-5. If you want to be in charge of a care package (St. Aidan's will pay for postage, you will put it together and invite the congregation to contribute items) please let M. Mary Kate know by email.

*The General Ordination Examinations are a week of written exams during the last year of seminary for those preparing for the priesthood in the Episcopal Church. The tests cover six canonical areas: scripture, theology, liturgy, church history, ethics, and the practice of ministry.



Bread+Belonging needs your help with the meals for Tuesday evenings.

Please save this link and check when you're available to bring some groceries, or cookies, or salad (it varies every week)

www.saintaidans.org/food-forbreadbelonging

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.

Volunteers are always welcome at 4pm to help Hospitality Manager Miho Raabe with food preparation to serve at 6pm. Thanks!

For five more 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! Then next game is Saturday, Sept 16 (CU vs CSU) with an 8pm kickoff.

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





M. Mary Kate Rejouis will be on the responding panel for this event. Registration is required, all are welcome to attend.

Coming soon at St. Aidan's



Next meeting of
BeLoved Youth Group is
Sunday, September 17 4-6pm

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 3700 Baseline Rd, Boulder, 80302

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 <u>Paul Voakes</u> for information.



Make new friends by Marty Coffin Evans

St. Aidan's Book Group on Wednesdays

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

Monday Night Prayer at 7pm by Zoom

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, 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 Jim Paine at to receive the weekly Zoom meeting ID and password, and other information about the schedule and readings (and for any questions).

confidential prayer.

http://www.tinyurl.com/aidanmeet1



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.

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, Jack, Jennie.

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: the Rev. Dan Northway, Richard Hunter, William Borman.

For those celebrating birthdays: Charles Meloche (9/12), Gillian Brown (9/12), Keith Murdock (9/13), Troyanne Thigpen (9/16).

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