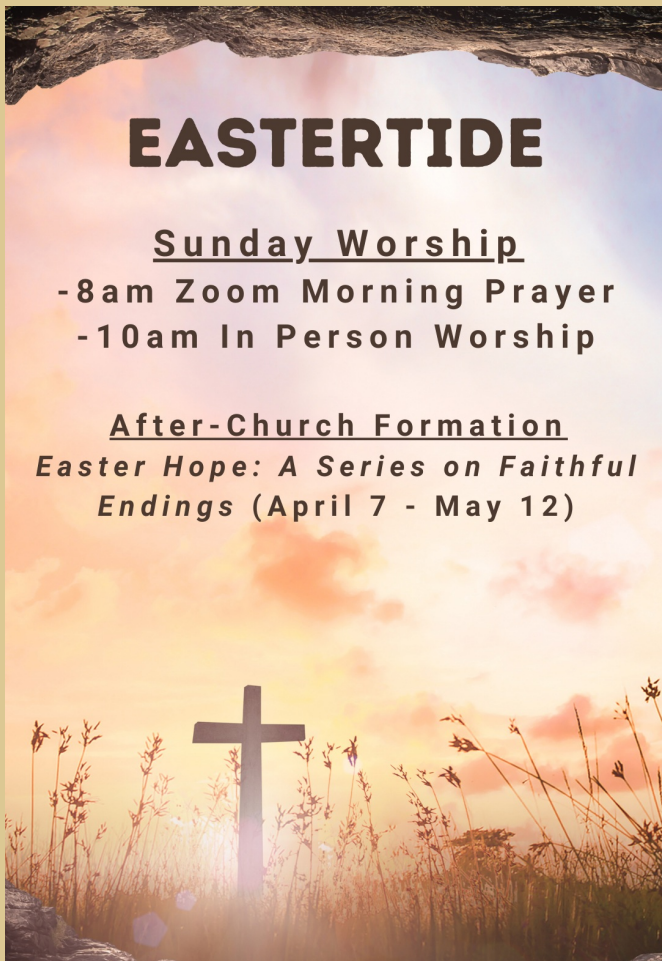




Calendar of Events



EASTERTIDE

Sunday Worship

-8am Zoom Morning Prayer

-10am In Person Worship

After-Church Formation

Easter Hope: A Series on Faithful Endings (April 7 - May 12)



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Click here to sign up
for Bread+Belonging
food Tuesdays at 6pm

The deadline for this every-other-week email is on Wednesday the week before publication. Please send submissions to office@saintaidans.org.

The church office will be *mostly* closed April 25-26, May 2-4, and May 6-7. Please email office@saintaidans.org if you are needing to drop by any of those days. Thanks!

News You Can Use

Dear Friends,

Happy Earth Day! If you read this by 7:30am Monday, and want to attend an Earth Day Observance, scroll down to Around the Diocese for the Zoom Earth Day at 7:30am!

We've been having some serious and good conversations after church on Sundays about **Faithful Endings**. If you're not able to attend all of them, we'll be putting our notes together to share on our website and by this email sometime after May 12. All of the conversations we have are the beginnings of conversations you are wise to share with family and friends while you are in good health. If you would like to connect with any of our clergy, please do! These are conversations we love to share with you. Comping up on April 28 is Burial Practices, and May 5 is Advance Directives.

Finally, a moment to ask you to pray and give thanks for our Vestry. What a faithful, thoughtful, and joyful gift it is to partner with them to lead our congregation. I am looking forward to the next few months as we share our goals for our life together as a congregation. Thank you!

With Eastertide joy still joyful and bright,

M. Mary Kate Rejouis+

For your calendar....

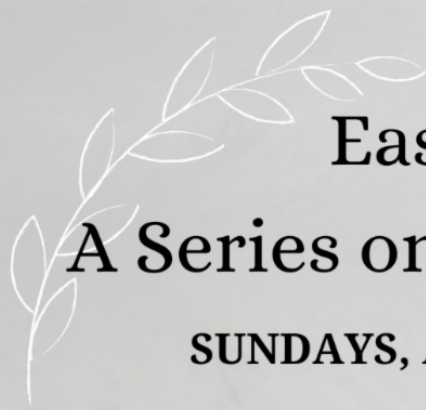
- Check our new "Around the Diocese" section below!*
- Friday, April 26, 6:30-8:30pm Gallery Reception with artist Donna Colville
- Saturday, April 27, Boulder Phil concert at CU's Macky Auditorium (discount ticket code available to St. Aidan's folks--see below)*
- Sunday, April 28 is a Gospel Sunday with Guest Musician Eric Smith.
- Tuesday, April 30 LAST Bread+Belonging of the Spring Semester!
- Sunday, May 5, 7pm Holocaust Day of Remembrance at Congregation Har HaShem*

Planning far ahead.....

- June 22-29 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church (Louisville, KY)
- Sunday, July 7 2nd Annual Episcopal Worship at Boulder Reservoir
- July 15-19, Summer Vacation Bible School (kinder-5th grade) at St. John's (1419 Pine St, Boulder), register [here](#).

**denotes more information below*

See [online calendar](#) for weekly events, Choir, Bible Studies, and more.



Easter Hope: A Series on Faithful Endings

SUNDAYS, APRIL 7 - MAY 12, 2024

Why have a funeral?

Theology of leaving something to the Church

How to leave something to the Church

Burial practices and funeral planning

Advance Directives and Crisis Planning

What do I do when my family won't talk about faithful endings?

Despite the certainty of death, we sometimes come to death unprepared. The crisis deepens and becomes even more painful if we are forced to make unplanned decisions. The emotional and financial repercussions can be significant for us and our families and friends.

As Easter people, for whom death means life is changed, not ended, the Church encourages us to think and talk together about faithful endings instead of waiting for the moment of crisis. Pre-planning with prudence and love yields many blessings, now and in the hour of our death.

Join St. Aidan's clergy for an exploration of these issues on Sunday mornings in Easter in the Chapel at 11:30 am (about 15 minutes after coffee hour begins).

We will discuss Christian perspectives on death, having conversations with family, burial practices and rites, advance directive planning, and stewardship in death.

Let us be encouraged to know "we are dust." By accepting the goodness of God in our mortality, we can embrace the liberating good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We pray this good news will shape our plans regarding our "last things" and enrich and gladden our lives in the present!

*All of us go down to the dust;
yet even at the grave, we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (BCP, 499)*

Announcements

Volunteer to Prepare Food.

Did you know that Food Not Bombs prepares food every Saturday at 11am at St. Aidan's to be delivered to unhoused persons in downtown Boulder? If you'd like to volunteer to help, you can show up on a Saturday or email [here](#) for more information.

Wednesday Mornings 7am Hybrid Holy Eucharist and Bible Study

For decades a small group gathered at 7am for Holy Eucharist in the Chapel, with a

rigorous, thoughtful, charitable, and deep Bible Study. Then COVID happened. But now, we have **at last returned to in-person** (and added hybrid as an option) Wednesday mornings. This service can be a great way to be in church every week, especially if other things take you away over the weekends. We are currently doing a chapter by chapter study of Genesis. Eucharist finishes by 8am, and those who can, are invited to stay for bagels and coffee.

Holocaust Day of Remembrance Sunday, May 5 at 7pm.

Boulder's Rabbinical Council brings our community together each year to remember those who perished in the Holocaust on the day of Holocaust Remembrance or Yom HaShoah. This annual observance is open to the entire community. **Location: Congregation Har HaShem, 3950 Baseline Road, 80303.**

Exciting Opportunity for Music Director, Wesley Leffingwell

Our Music Director Wesley Leffingwell will be traveling to San Diego for much of April and May to be the Assistant Conductor/Harpsichordist for an opera. Opera Neo is presenting Handel's Italian drama "Rodelinda" for the beginning of their 2024 season. Find out more info [here](#). Congratulations Wes!

Book Talk on Grieving

Parishioner Kim Keffeler recommends this author and book talk for **Moving On Doesn't Mean Letting Go** by Gina Moffa on Thursday, May 2nd at the Boulder Book Store at 6:30pm (tickets [required](#)).

You are invited to check out parishioner Donna Colville's wonderful work in the gallery, and especially the Opening Reception this Friday at 6:30pm.



Of the Trees

Photography Show by Donna Colville

Muriel Sibell-Wolle Gallery
2425 Colorado Ave
Boulder, CO

April 15, 2023 through June 15, 2023

Opening Reception
April 26, 2023, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
at the Gallery


Join parishioner Melanie Sokhey who sings in *Seicento* for the following concerts...

Seicento

BAROQUE ENSEMBLE

presents

Prima Melodia: Birth of Baroque



This then-new style, born in Italy, emphasized a singer's emotional expression through text painting and highly ornamented vocal lines, with vocal demands unequalled by any style since.

Evanne Browne, Artistic Director

Featuring Apprentice Artists Ann Jeffers, Andrea Weidemann, Emily Anderson, and Gabrielle Razafinjatovo

DENVER

Friday, April 26, 2024
7:30 p.m.
St. Paul Lutheran Church
1600 Grant St

BOULDER

Saturday, April 27, 2024
7:30 p.m.
Mountain View United Methodist Church
355 Ponca Pl.

LONGMONT

Sunday, April 28, 2024
3:00 p.m.
United Church of Christ Longmont
1500 9th Ave.

Online Directory in Realm--let's use it!

St. Aidan's has been using **Realm** as our membership and donation management software for a while. It is a useful tool for us to stay connected as a congregation. The first step is for each person to get connected with your Realm account and opt in to the directory.

Did you know that if every person/household that calls St. Aidan's home were to use their Realm account, and upload a photo, creating a safe, secure photo directory would be really simple? We need you to do your part!

If you need to call or reach out to someone from church by email or phone, but you don't have a directory (we haven't printed updates for a while), this is how you can find that information in a safe, secure format. You can also choose your level of privacy with your information.

First, you need to have a login and credentials (your email and a password you choose).

- If you give, or have given online, you have a login already.
- If you can't find yours, or don't have a login, you'll need to ask for an invitation to be sent to your email. You do that by sending an email to Kelly Champion, our Realm Manager at realm@saintaidans.org.

To ensure you're included in the directory, please take a moment to opt in by following these simple steps:

- Log in to Realm using your credentials.
- Click on your profile picture in the screen's top right corner.
- Select "Settings" from the dropdown menu.
- Choose who you would like to see your contact information:
- Select "Anyone in the church" to be added to the church directory.
- Alternatively, if you prefer, you can only have leaders see your information for added privacy.

By using Realm this way, you are supporting a connected church community. You can also download a Realm app to your smartphone, and have the church directory at your fingertips that way!

Thank you for being part of St. Aidan's!

[Click Here to Make Your 2024 Annual Giving Pledge Online
Now](#)

Seminary Graduations...Mark Your Calendars to Watch!

The Rev. Durango Jenkins, graduating from Virginia Theological Seminary on Thursday, May 9 at 10am ET/8am MT. Livestream on [YouTube](#) and more information [here](#).

The Rev. Charles Martin, graduating from The School of Theology at Sewanee on Friday, May 10 at 10am CT/9am MT. Livestream at theology.sewanee.edu.

The Rev. Amanda Barker, graduating from Church Divinity School of the Pacific on Saturday, May 18 at 10:30am PT/11:30am MT. Livestream at cdsp.edu and more info [here](#).

Centering Prayer on Fridays 3pm!

Join us Fridays in the Chapel from 3 - 3:45pm from now until May 10.

Only 3 Fridays left before summer!



Curious what this time may look like?
Find out more info [HERE](#).

St. Aidan's Book Group

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](#). On Wednesdays through the end of May we are reading Henry James's novel "The Portrait of a Lady".

If you are interested and are not currently receiving book group emails, please email Jim Paine

at office@saintaidans.org (mention "Wednesday Book Group" in the subject) to receive the weekly Zoom meeting ID and password, and other information about the schedule and readings (and for any questions).

Healing Prayer

Monday Nights 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, confidential prayer.

New Meeting Link as of 1/15/24 is
www.tinyurl.com/HealingMeet

Individual, confidential healing prayer every Sunday in the chapel after 10am worship.

Happy Earth Day!

St. Aidan's Care for Creation group suggests some way you can celebrate Earth Day here at St. Aidan's or wherever you are:

- instead of going to the gym, walk our labyrinth or take another walk in nature and GIVE THANKS for every part of the natural world you see
- plant something, water a tree or indoor plant and GIVE THANKS for the water, the sunshine, and the plants
- spend some time with the beautiful new exhibit (by Donna Colville) of photos of trees in our gallery and GIVE THANKS for the cooling shade, the oxygen and the beauty trees offer us
- pray that in our care for God's creation, St. Aidan's will be "like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper." (Psalm 1:3)

OUR 23/24 MASTERWORKS FINALE

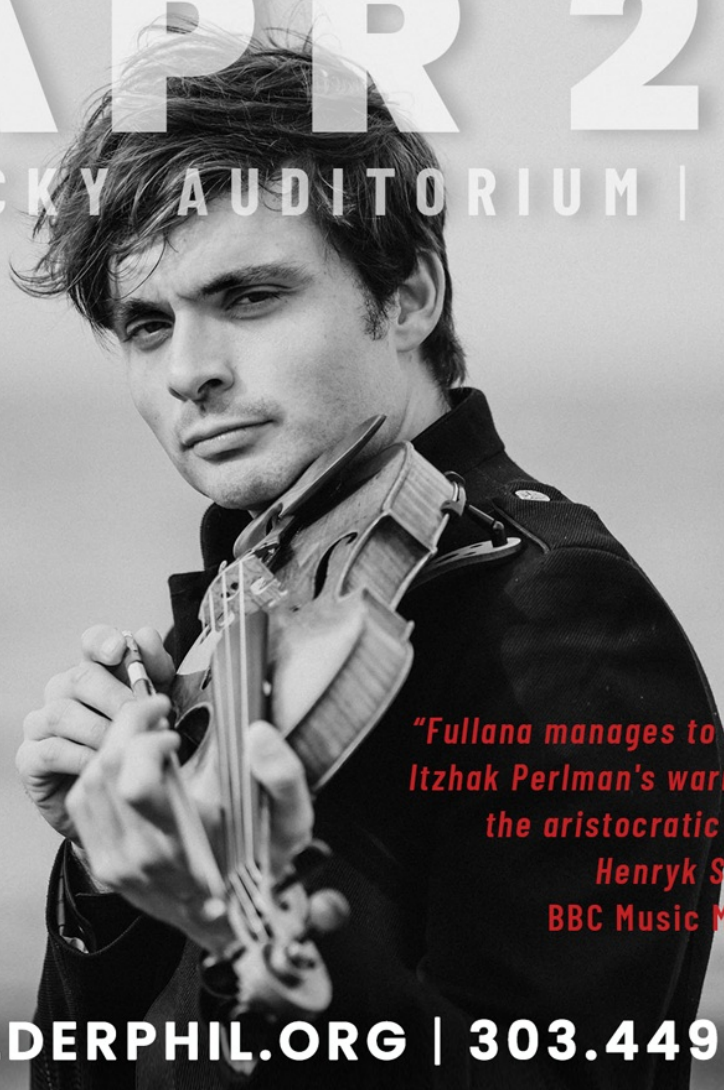


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MACKY AUDITORIUM | 7PM



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BBC Music Magazine*

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Get concert information and discount code for St. Aidan's community by clicking [here](#).

Around the Diocese

[Join Us in Prayer this Earth Day, Monday April 22 at 7:30am via Zoom](#) (Register [HERE](#))

Begin this Earth Day in prayer and reflection. This is a time to express our gratitude for the gift of creation and also to recommit ourselves to caring for the Earth and the interconnected web of life it sustains. All are welcome! The service is expected to last 20 minutes

[The Doctrine of Discovery and How to Fulfill Your Baptismal Covenant, Thursday April 25th at 2pm via Zoom](#)

The Doctrine of Discovery was issued in 1493 by Pope Alphonse VI. After centuries of land theft, genocide, and forced assimilation of Indigenous People, the Episcopal Church repudiated the Doctrine of Discovery in 2018. In 2024, it is still impacting the lives of Indigenous People and is woven into many of our social and economic systems. Our baptismal covenant calls us to “strive for justice and peace.” To find out more or to register, click [HERE](#)

Exploring Your Vocation May 4 or June 1

Discernment is at the heart of our baptismal call. Every baptized person is called to be a minister of the Body of Christ. For some, that call is manifest in pursuing ordained ministry or a call to religious life.

As the Episcopal Church in Colorado examines what a life of discernment looks like, we are shifting from the Road to Ministry program to **Exploring Your Vocation Discernment Days**. There will be two planned gatherings where members of various orders, the Diaconate, the Priesthood, and the Vowed Religious Life, will lead conversations about their ministry. To assist with your discernment, please feel free to register at the location that works for you.

- Saturday, May 4, 2024 – St. Michael’s Episcopal Church, 7400 Tudor Rd., Colorado Springs, 80919
- Saturday, June 1, 2024 – St. Aidan’s Episcopal Church, 2425 Colorado Ave., Boulder, CO 80302

Learn more and register [HERE](#).

"Evening for Haiti", Sunday May 5 at 4:30pm (Tivoli Turnhalle) or Monday May 6 (Online)

An evening of celebrating and honoring one of the good works that is happening in Haiti through Locally Haiti. To find out more information on the event or to register, click [HERE](#)

Cathedral Ridge Summer Camps

Youth and Family camps are a wonderful opportunity to connect with God and experience Christian community in a non-church setting. Each week is designed for a different age group and with a different approach – but all intend to build faith in a fun and safe environment.

- June 5-8, Sr. High Leadership Training Camp
- June 13-16, Pride Family Camp
- June 20-23, Care of Creation Family Camp
- June 27-30, Multicultural Family Camp
- July 7-12, 3rd through 5th Grade Youth Camp
- July 14-19, 6th through 8th Grade Youth Camp
- July 21-26, 9th through 12th Grade High School Youth Camp

More info can be found at this [link](#).

PrideFest Volunteering for June 22 and 23

The Episcopal Church in Colorado will have a booth at PrideFest on both Saturday, June 22, and Sunday, June 23. Volunteers are needed for 2-hour shifts and will greet visitors to the information booth.

Click [HERE](#) for more info and to sign up to volunteer

PrideFest Shirts

"All for Love & Love for All" Episcopal Church in Colorado shirts (seen picture)! Click [HERE](#) for details on how to get your own!



Commended to our Prayers

For our [CU Campus](#), and especially the [Bread+Belonging](#) community and the [LCM](#)

Board during this time of transition and search for the next Chaplain for our shared Campus Ministry.

Pray for an **end to war throughout the world** for an end to war in the Middle East and freedom for all hostages of October 7, and for all who have died, been injured, and lost homes and livelihood.

For those in need of bodily healing: Lou Patterson, Pat Galvin, David Huff, Kelly Boyer and family, Nancy Costello, Kevin Costello, Sally Chesnick Ingraham, Mary and Dave Kraus, Emily, Dave.

For those with dementia or other cognitive difficulties, and all who care for them.

For those in hospice care or with long-term needs: Roy Faverty, Kay Gibson, Troyanne Thigpen, Doug Burger.

For those seeking God's guidance and strength: all who seek employment, for all who struggle with addiction, Patrick Costello and family, Barb Williams, Travis, Jonathan Nelson, Heidi, Derek and Lauren Huff, Tyler, Jack, Jennie, Christianne, the Ingraham family, Debbie, Frank, The Rev. Bain White, Michelle (Alderson) Feller, Angie (Alderson) Oakley, Christine Alderson.

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: Christine White, Charles Alderson, Scott McClurg.

For those celebrating birthdays: Ann Carlos (4/24), Karen Sites (4/25), Jim Markusen (4/26), Eoin Garcia (5/3), Fran Evans (5/4), Warren Taylor (5/8), Julia Noecker (5/8).

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