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News You Can Use

Dear Friends,

A reminder that we **need your help** for the last 4 Tuesdays for Bread+Belonging. Each week, we need some groceries to round out our meal. There is a button above to the link to sign up, and it is also at www.saintaidans.org/food-for-breadbelonging if you can bookmark that. We've had several Tuesdays of scrambling to get what we need.

Though a week has already passed, I am still giving thanks for the ways that so many hearts and hands offer worship and faithfulness to God. Among them:

- The St. Aidan's Choir, led by Wes Leffingwell and Jerimiah Otto, led us in song and praise and contemplation, with trumpet and joy. What beauty we received!
- The Altar Guild and the many Saturday Helpers--Kim Keffeler, Leanne Walther, Kate Gerard and Gillian Brown help us do the things we only do once a year. Candles and

lilies, services redux, polishing silver and preparing for the journey through death and resurrection.

- Our Clergy, especially Fr. Steve Wengrovius, M. Kay Cook, Rev. Jan Oller offered
 the weekday Holy Eucharists with beautiful reflections and are present faithfully
 throughout the Holiest of Weeks; especially beautiful this year was having Deacon
 Amanda Barker as our Deacon for all services, in her first Holy Week as an ordained
 person.
- Our Vergers Jennie Garcia and Heidi Huff coordinated readers, acolytes, thurifers and all sorts of folks, to lead our worship with solemnity and joy.
- The Easter Feast after church on Easter Day, provided by many with Sarah Sokhey in the lead was abundant and delicious and enjoyed by many.
- Others worked to make all welcome, as Ushers (Warren Taylor and Scott Martin) and Egg Hunt Wranglers (Heather Blackwelder and kids too old to hunt for eggs) especially.
- And of course, first and last, is YOU, the congregation, showing up to be in community, to see Jesus, and to receive Holy Eucharist and take the Holy Week journey with us.

Thank you, and thanks be to God for the Resurrection. Alleluia!!

If you have feedback, or ideas for our Holy Week Worship, please<u>email</u> by April 17.

With joy enough for the 50 days of Eastertide, M. Mary Kate Rejouis+

P.S. Here's a **Collect for the Eclipse** today, no matter where you are:

O God, the Creator of a cosmos beyond our imagining, you reveal yourself to us in wonders great and small. Help us to recognize your presence in the wonder of total darkness in the middle of a bright summer day. We recall the darkness that came over the land when your Son was crucified, and we recall the light of Easter morning that followed. May this midday darkness of the eclipse and the light that returns remind us that your light always lies ahead of every sort of darkness, and your bright mornings follow every sort of night. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen. (Credit: The Rev. Betsy Bennett, Archdeacon of the Episcopal Diocese of Nebraska, 2017)

For your calendar....

- Sunday, April 14, 7pm, St. Aidan's Keyboardist Jerimiah Stephen Otto concert*
- Saturday, April 27, Boulder Phil concert at CU's Macky Auditorium (discount ticket code available to St. Aidan's folks--see below)*
- Tuesday, April 30 LAST Bread+Belonging of the Spring Semester!
- Sunday, May 5, 7pm Holocaust Day of Remembrance at 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 <u>here</u>.

*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.

Looking for a Monthly Bible Study for Women?

Canon Katie Pearson at St. John's Cathedral, Denver, leads a marvelous Bible Study Monthly on 2nd Tuesdays at 5pm by Zoom. Currently studying the genealogy of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, read the Book of Ruth and join on April 9. **Email** Canon Pearson for the Zoom link.

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 is open to the entire community of Jews and allies. 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).

Parishioner Dr. Sarah Sokhey invites anyone interested in joining the following speaker events:

Civil Society & Ukrainian Resilience



Weekly Speaker Series on Fridays 12-1pm EST March 1-April 19, 2024

See More Info, Recordings, & Register Here



Upcoming Events

- · March 1: Dispelling Myths about Ukraine
- · March 8: Women in War
- March 12: Kidnapped & Orphaned Youth
- · March 22: Youth & Civic Engagement
- March 29: War from a Teenage Perspective
- · April 5: Impact of War on Families & Immigration
- · April 12: Diversity in Ukraine
- · April 19: Stand-Up Comedy in the Time of War

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A Harpsichord Showcase: Bach and Beyond

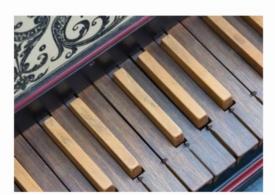


Sunday, April 14, 7:00 p.m. St. Aidan's Episcopal Church 2425 Colorado Ave., Boulder, CO 80302

Friday, April 19, 7:00 p.m. Augustana Lutheran Church 5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver, CO 80246

e all know Johann Sebastian Bach as an incredible composer, but did you know that Bach was also apt to arrange (remix in modern terms) music from his peers from time to time? During the early 1730s, Bach was composing for weekly concerts for a society devoted to music.

called the Collegium Musicum. In searching for inspiration for these weekly performances, he found a concerto by another famous composer, Antonio Vivaldi, that Vivaldi had composed for four violinists. Bach took Vivaldi's piece and arranged it to instead feature four harpsichords, creating one of the most famous harpsichord concertos today.



Bach's Concerto for Four Harpsichords is one of the pieces being performed at *A Harpsichord Showcase* presented with Denver Rocky Mountain AGO on April 14 and 19.

Cosponsored by Augustana Arts and featuring lead harpsichordist Jerimiah Otto, this program will include J. S. Bach's concerto for four harpsichords and a variety of other works by Bach, Couperin, Mozart, and Soler for harpsichords, organ, and strings, plus an original composition for four harpsichords by Otto. Harpsichordists Linda Mack, Mark Alan Filbert, Thomas Strickland, Aaron Hirsch, and Dr. Robert Hjelmstadwill also perform. An informal harpsichord walk-and-talk and a reception will follow the Augustana concert. Both concerts are free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted at the door for the Boulder program; reservations for the Denver program are requested

through Augustana Arts (which has a Pay-What-You-Choose ticketing model).



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.

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
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Centering Prayer on Fridays 3pm!

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

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 April 10 we will begin

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

our discussion of "The Portrait of a Lady" by Henry James.

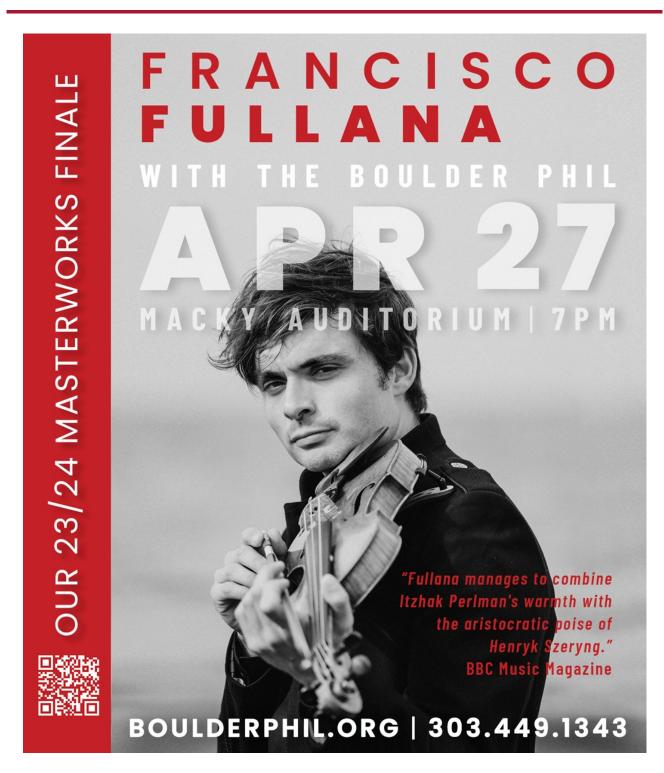
If you are interested and are not currently receiving book group emails, please email Jim Paine

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).

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.



Get concert information and discount code for St. Aidan's community by clicking here.

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 in hospice care and long-term needs: Roy Faverty, Kay Gibson, Troyanne Thigpen, Doug Burger and Scott McClurg.

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.

For those celebrating birthdays: Harry Poehlmann (4/8), Jackson Fein (4/11), Betsy Matteson (4/12), Kay Gibson and Hunter Harden (4/20).

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