

**St. Aidan's Episcopal Church  
Palm Sunday**



**March 28, 2021 10:00 a.m.**

# The Liturgy of the Palms

## Prelude

*Prelude in C Major, BWV 1009, by J.S. Bach*

Margaret Tait, cello

*Presider* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of our God.

*People* ***Peace in heaven and glory in the highest***

*Presider* Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O God of our salvation that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life, liberation and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

## First Reading

*Isaiah 50: 4-9a*

*Lector* A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens--  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.  
I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.  
The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
Therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

*Lector* The Word of God.

*Assembly* ***Thanks be to God.***

## The Procession

*Deacon* Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.

*People* ***Hosanna in the highest.***

*Deacon* Let us proceed in peace.

*People* ***In the name of Christ. Amen.***

*A video of St. Aidanites in Palm Procession is shown*

*Presider* God be with you

*People* ***And also with you***

*Presider* Let us pray.

O Everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in Jesus Christ, the One who reigns in majesty: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under Christ's most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. ***Amen***

## The Second Reading

*Philippians 2:5-11*

*Lector* A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Lector* The Word of God.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

## Hymn: All Glory, Laud & Honor

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G-clef, 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain, with lyrics 'All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!'. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, with lyrics 'to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.' The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line at the end of the second staff.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;  
 3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
 4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
 5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Repeat Refrain*

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
 2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
 3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
 4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
 5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

**The Gospel**

*John 12:12-16*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to John  
*All* ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!” Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

**The Sermon**

The Rev’d Gary Ost

## The Sung Creed

Play 4 sung parts on organ manual, bass part in whole notes in pedal.  
Consider not repeating, but rather tying many of the repeated notes.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan; Music: Charles Rus 2011

*last time  
bass hold G flat  
instead of A flat*

## The Prayers of the People

*Deacon* Creator of all things, Spirit of Life, you led Jesus into the wilderness and sustained him in times of trial. Lead us and stay with us in these holy days of Lent, that it may be for us a wilderness of cleansing, strengthening, and renewal. And so we pray,

*All* Create in us clean hearts, O God.  
And renew a right spirit within us.

*Intercessor* We acknowledge with humility and respect that St. Aidan's is located is the unceded land of the Yelamu tribelet of the Ohlone people who have lived here for thousands of years. We honor their resilience and continuing communal vibrancy, and that of all First Peoples.

*Additional prayers are invited, either in silence or by unmuting and praying aloud.*

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Intercessor* Holy and Mighty One, in Christ you have taught us that we do not live by bread alone: Inspire your Church with faith and generosity, that we may proclaim the Word that is near us and gratefully return to you the first fruits of all that you have given, sharing the bread that satisfies all of the hungers of the world. We pray especially for...

*Additional prayers are invited, either in silence or by unmuting and praying aloud.*

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Intercessor* Holy and Mighty One, in Christ you have taught us to worship and serve God alone: Inspire our elected leaders, those running for office, and all in authority in the world, that they may look upon the affliction, toil, and oppression of those who suffer and may share in your work of liberation. We lift up especially...

*Additional prayers are invited, either in silence or by unmuting and praying aloud.*

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Intercessor* Holy and Mighty One, in Christ we are united with all who cry out in hunger and need, all who suffer from the abuse of power, all who are threatened by the fallen structures of the world: Through your infinite love and gracious presence deliver us, and all whom we now name, that we all may dwell in the security of your peace...

*Additional prayers are invited, either in silence or by unmuting and praying aloud.*

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Intercessor* Holy and Mighty One, in Christ you have taught us to trust and not put God to the test: inspire us, we pray, with such generosity and grace that there may be no hierarchies among peoples, for God is the God of all. We lift up especially...

*Additional prayers are invited, either in silence or by unmuting and praying aloud.*

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Intercessor* Holy and Mighty One, let your mighty hand and outstretched arm sustain those who have asked for our prayers, lifting up especially.... and others we now name silently or by unmuting and praying aloud....

*Intercessor* With signs and wonders you have brought us into this place and given us life: Hear our gratitude for all our many blessings, especially ....

*Intercessor* As we believe in our hearts that you raised Jesus from the dead, so we entrust to you all who have died, lifting up especially those on our parish prayer list.... and others we now name silently or by unmuting and praying aloud....

*Intercessor* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All* **And renew a right spirit within us.**

*Presider:* Almighty God, righteous and strong to save, you see and know our needs even before we ask: be with us in the wilderness with your comforting power, that we may look to you in trust and be saved; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and loves in glory everlasting. Amen.

## **Confession**

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

*A space of silence is kept*

*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* Christ will not command legions of angles nor ride the machine of war; he will become a servant, take our brokenness into his heart and heal us with forgiveness for God's unexpected peace.

*Presider* The Peace of God be always with you.  
*People* ***And also with you.***

*You are invited to unmute and greet each other in the name of Christ.*

## Offertory Sentence

*Presider* Thus says our God, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters: “I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” *Isaiah 43: 16, 19*

Let us with gladness lift up offerings of our life and labor to God.

## Offertory Hymn: The Kingdom of God

*Taizé*

*The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.  
Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.*

*The Presider sets the table.*

## Liturgy of the Table

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to God.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to God.

*People* **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

*The Presider continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God of blessing, for making us in your image to serve the peace of all creation.

You shared your name with our forebears: Sarah and Abraham, who left their home and became a blessing to all nations; Moses and Miriam, who went through the sea and into the wilderness to the place of revelation; Deborah and Samson, who gave hope and justice to a people ruled by fear; Ruth and Jonah, who went to unfamiliar terrain and found a God who loves the stranger.

From our ancestors in faith came Jesus, the son of promise, to fulfill the law, embody your love, and draw all people to himself.

He accepted death to break its fearful hold; he was raised to life to share it in abundance; he comes again to break the bread and pour the wine of hope.

Therefore, with all the people whose story you have shaped, with people of faith in every part of the world, we glory in your generous love and sing in praise of you:

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and". The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady rhythm.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



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 touch and taste beyond what all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died***

***Christ is risen***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Therefore we come in memory and hope, responding to your call and the promise that echoes from the dawn of all time.

May mind and heart be held by your self-giving love as we stand before the cross, approach the empty tomb and praise the one whose name is lifted high above all earthly power.

Through the One who was emptied to bear your fullness, we make our prayer with all created life to the glory of the God who fills all in all now and forever. ***Amen.***

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Deacon*

As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray,

***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 and forgive us our sins***

***as we forgive those who sin against us.***

***Save from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.***

***For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.***

## The Fraction

*The Presider breaks the bread in silence. All then sing,*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

## The Invitation

*Lifting the bread and cup, the Presider invites the people, saying*

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.

*All pause for a moment of silent prayer, beholding the consecrated bread and wine. Then all continue,*

*All 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.*

Communion Hymn: My Song Is Love Unknown

*The Hymnal 1982, #458*



1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love  
2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but  
\*3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -



1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O  
2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But  
3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?  
2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.  
3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.



Here might I stay and sing,  
No story so divine:  
Never was love, dear King,  
Never was grief like thine,  
This is my friend,  
In whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend.

*The Presider removes the unconsumed bread and wine from the table.*

## Post Communion Prayer

*All*     ***God of this feast, beyond all measure and price, we thank you for meeting us in our brokenness so that none might be lost. Liberate us now to share bread with our neighbors, that we all may be strengthened for the sake of another world. Amen.***

## The Passion

*Deacon*         The Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

*Mark:*            As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

*Pilate:*            Are you the King of the Jews?

*Mark:*            Jesus answered him,

*Jesus:*            You say so.

*Mark:*            Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

*Pilate:*            Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.

*Mark:*            But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

*Pilate:*            Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

*Mark:*            For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

*Pilate:*            Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

*Mark:*            They shouted back,

*Crowd:*            ***Crucify him!***

*Mark:*            Pilate asked them,

*Pilate:*            Why, what evil has he done?

*Mark:*            But they shouted all the more,

*Crowd:*           ***Crucify him!***

*Mark:*            So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

*Soldiers:*        Hail, King of the Jews!

*Mark:*            They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

*Crowd:*           ***Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!***

*Mark:*            In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

*Chief Priests:*   He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.

*Mark:*            Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

*Jesus:*           Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

*Mark:*            which means,

*Jesus:*           My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

*Mark:*            When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

*Crowd:*           ***Listen, he is calling for Elijah.***

*Mark:* And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

*Bystander:* Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

*Mark:* Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

*Centurion:* Truly this man was God's Son!

*Roles:*

- |                  |                       |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| • Mark           | Pontius Pilate's Wife |
| • Pontius Pilate | Centurion             |
| • Jesus          | Bystander             |
| • Chief Priests  | Soldiers              |

*Following the Passion, the service concludes with a moment of silence. Our observance of Holy Week has begun.*

## Sources

\* The cover photo was taken by Betty Carmack in San Francisco in March, 2021.

\* The Service of the Word is from Rite 2, *Book of Common Prayer* (Church Publishing, 1979) and *Enriching Our Worship I* (New York: Church Publishing, 1998). It is also adapted from a resource "Keeping the Feast" developed by the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago for a renewed observance of Holy Week.

\* The Psalm translation is from *The CSF Office Book* (The Community of St. Francis, 1995).

\* The Text of the Sung Creed is by Sylvia Dunston in Wonder, Love, and Praise #768. The music is by former St. Aidan's Music Minister Charles Rus

\* The Prayers of the People are adapted from prayers composed for St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Fayetteville, Arkansas. They are inspired by the readings for the First Sunday in Lent and can be found at <http://stpaulsfay.org/sunday-schedule/prayers-of-the-people/>

\* The concluding collect of the Prayers of the People is from *A Great Cloud of Witnesses: A Calendar of Commemorations* (New York: Church Publishing, 2016), A68.

\* "The Kingdom of God" Taizé chant can be found online at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WL1\\_1hVTJmk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WL1_1hVTJmk)

\* The Eucharistic Prayer is from Steven Shakespeare's, *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*, 135-137, 141

\* The Sanctus and Agnus Dei are from the *Hymnal 1982* (S131, and S164).

\* The Prayer of Spiritual Communion ("In union, O God...") is adapted from the excerpts from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book* that can be found online at <https://news.forwardmovement.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Spiritual-Communion.pdf>

\* The Postcommunion Prayer is adapted from Steven Shakespeare, *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*, p. 155 & 157

\* Portions of the liturgy have been modified to reflect our use of inclusive language.

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## Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider*  
The Rev. Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, *Deacon*  
Gary Ost, *Preacher*  
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John Gaffney, Elaine Jennings, Janet Lohr, Rolf Tollefson, *Mini-Choir*  
Lois Roach *Greeter*  
Kateri Paul & Barbara Stevenson, *Lectors*  
Betsy Eddy, *Intercessor*  
Dave Frangquist, *Sound Muter* & Christine Powel, *Liturgical DJ*

## Announcements

### Holy Week & Easter Worship

Please join us for any and all of our worship this coming week, the holiest week of the Christian calendar. Each evening, starting Monday, March 29th and continuing through Saturday, April 3rd, we will have worship on Zoom at 7 PM, and on Good Friday we will also have a space for prayer and meditation from noon-3 PM, also on Zoom. The links for all the evening worship will be the same as the Wednesday evening worship. The link for Good Friday noon-3pm is a new one. Easter Sunday is the usual Sunday morning link. Please reach out to [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org) for any links you need, and we look forward to seeing you.



**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 29, 30, & 31 at 7 PM**

**Maundy Thursday Liturgy, April 1 at 7 PM**

**Good Friday Prayer and Meditation, April 2, 12-3 PM** (stay as little or as long as you'd like)

**Good Friday Evening Worship, April 2 at 7pm**

**The Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 3 at 7 PM**

**Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 8 & 10 AM**

### Service Celebrating the Life of Sheri Geesey Saturday April 3 at 2 pm via Zoom

Beloved community of St. Aidan's, thank you dearly for the love and support you have shown myself and our family at the loss of our dear Sheri. The cards, flowers, emails, calls and meals were greatly appreciated. I am sorry for not expressing my gratitude on a large scale sooner. It is only through the grace of God and the support of friends and family that I am able to walk through this

time of loss and grief. I had really, really wanted to have Sheri's service inside St. Aidan's because we were married there in August 2000. That unfortunately is still not possible with the pandemic. I feel that it is time and we need to move forward and honor her. We will be having a celebration of life service/ memorial for her on Saturday April 3 at 2 pm via Zoom.

This will be hosted by St. Aidan's and everyone is welcome. More details to follow.  
Much love and appreciation,

Robert Geesey

### **New Jim Crow Anti-Racist Book Group**

Our next meeting will be **March 28 at 4 pm**. We are reading [\*The Sum of Us\*](#) by Heather McGhee. All are welcome. Please contact Deacon Margaret at [mdyerc@stanford.edu](mailto:mdyerc@stanford.edu) if you would like the link.

### **Lenten Catechesis Course, Sundays from 12-1:15 PM via Zoom**

Want to learn more about the Episcopal Church—it's history, theological perspectives, and practices? Interested in Being Received into the Episcopal Church, or Confirmed? Come join us for a Sunday afternoons Catechesis course Sundays from 12-1:15 PM in Lent and the first part of Easter, starting this Sunday. Bishop Marc Andrus will be virtually visiting St. Aidan's on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, and he will be able to officially Receive folks at this service. He will Confirm people from our San Francisco Deanery in an outdoor, spatially distanced "Eco-Confirmation" service in the spring or early summer, as well—field trip! Our topics over the coming weeks will be:

- ~~I. Feb 28: Overview History of the Episcopal Church & Anglican Communion~~
- II. March 7: Worship / The Book of Common Prayer
- III. March 14: The Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist
- IV. March 21: Episcopal/Anglican Approaches to Scripture
- V. March 28 (Palm Sunday): Prayer and Spirituality in Episcopal/Anglican Tradition
- VI. April 4 (Easter Sunday): Episcopal Polity & Theologies of Structure
- VII. April 11 (Easter II): History of Anti-Oppression and Social Justice Work in the Episcopal Church

Please reach out to Cameron for the Zoom link to this series, [rector@staidansf.org](mailto:rector@staidansf.org), or to the office at [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org).

### **Men's Group**

Saturday, April 3, 9-10:30 am, via Zoom. We will connect for prayer, study, DIY breakfast, and fellowship. All men are cordially invited. If you haven't received connection information by April 1, contact Dave Frangquist ([frangquist@acm.org](mailto:frangquist@acm.org)).

### **Girl Scout Cookies, from Team Luna (through March!)**

As we wish we could make this announcement in person COVID had other plans for selling cookies year. Luna just joined Girl Scouts as a virtual Daisy. She's enjoying it so far and excited to sell cookies for the first time. In case you'd like to buy some (or more) cookies, you can place your cookie orders online on Luna's digital cookie store! Online orders will be shipped directly to you. This will benefit Luna, her Daisy troop and the Girl Scouts.

Luna's Digital Cookie Store:  
<https://DigitalCookie.GirlScouts.org/scout/luna961366>

With love and gratitude,  
Team Luna

### **A Place for Books!**

Thank you to all who have contributed books for the Ohio Reformatory for Women thus far-- 75 books were packed and ready to go as of a month ago, and five more boxes were just sent out by Margaret on March 26<sup>th</sup>! As shared earlier, my mother has written to and visited women in prison, particularly women who are victims of domestic violence, since the 1980s. My sister Deb has supported my mom's ministry by driving her to the prison when she no longer could do so, and continuing her involvement there. Deb's latest project is to send books to the prison – many of the women are avid readers and books are in short supply. In the time of COVID, it's a little harder to make donations, so this is an opportunity for our community to gather up books and find a great home for them. Feel free to be in touch to donate more books, and thank you again to those who have thus far. – Deacon Margaret, [mdyerc@stanford.edu](mailto:mdyerc@stanford.edu).

### **Remote Worship Continuing in 2021**

Last August our vestry agreed that St. Aidan's we will not plan to regather in person before the end of 2020. Given the surge in COVID cases locally and nationally, we are continuing that pattern in 2021, meeting together on Zoom, and refraining from holding events in our building with the exceptions of the Friday Food Pantry and Diamond Diners, and the Cielito Lindo Preschool, which reopened over the summer in strict compliance with state, county and diocesan rules. This current state of affairs won't last forever, and we anticipate and very much look forward to regathering in the months to come. In the meantime, we need to keep staying the course to stay safe. Thank you very much for all your support as we continue to make our way forward together, and please feel free to reach out to us with any questions.

### **Please send in your recipes for the COVID Connect Cookbook!**

From Peter Fairfield: 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 in the Spark 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](mailto:peterlinnea@earthlink.net). We will collect and edit them into a cookbook—the COVID Connect Cookbook—that will be a lasting reminder of this strange and special time in all our lives.

**Contemplative Prayer:** Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday from 9-10 AM 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 Keith for the Zoom access information: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org)

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

Morning Prayer helps sustain and ground us, online/over the phone! Please feel free to reach out to Keith for the Zoom access information: [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org)

### **St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Group**

The St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Group (usually but not always) meets the last Monday of the month. We will continue to meet via zoom with LeeAnn DeSalles serving as our Zoom master. She will be sending you zoom instructions prior to our meetings. If you would like to be added to the book group e-mail mailing list, please contact Elaine Mannon at [elaine@mannon.com](mailto:elaine@mannon.com)

The upcoming books and dates are:

#### **Monday, March 29, 2021**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

A Children's Bible by Lydia Millet. A prophetic, heartbreaking story of generation divide presented as an allegorical tale that confronts the follies of willfully ignoring climate change.

#### **Monday, April 26, 2021**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

The Road to Little Dribbling: Adventures of an American in Britain by Bill Bryson. A loving and hilarious valentine to Great Britain, filled with episodes of unseemly laughter.

#### **Monday, May 31, 2021**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Franklin and Winston: An Intimate Portrait of an Epic Friendship by Jon Meacham. Meacham explores the fascinating relationship between the two men who piloted the free world to victory in World War II.

## **Calendar for the Week of March 28, 2020**

Sunday, March 28	Holy Eucharist (via Zoom) at 8 & 10 AM Inquirers/Catechesis Course (via Zoom) from 12-1:15 PM New Jim Crow Antiracist Book Group (via Zoom) at 4 PM
Monday, March 29	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Holy Week Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 7 PM Gourmet Book Group (via Zoom) from 7-9 PM
Tuesday, March 30	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Holy Week Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 7 PM
Wednesday, March 31	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Holy Week Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 7 PM

Thursday, April 1	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Maundy Thursday (via Zoom) at 7 PM
Friday, April 2	Good Friday Noon-3 PM Prayer Service (via Zoom) from 12-3 PM, come for as little or long as you like  Food Pantry (at Church Doors) from 12-1 PM for people 60+ or in need of an accommodation, and from 1-2 PM for all  Good Friday Worship (via Zoom) at 7 PM
Saturday, April 3	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Men's Group (via Zoom) from 9-10:30 AM Sheri Geesey Service (via Zoom) at 2 PM Easter Vigil (via Zoom) at 7 PM

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## St. Aidan's Prayers

### **In Your Prayers, Please Remember:**

**In the Episcopal Church:** for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Marc our Bishop; the clergy of the Diocese; our Rector Cameron; our assisting priests Don, Gary, and Susan; our Deacons Margaret and Mark, our Seminarian Amy; our Music Minister Barry.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Cuthbert's, Oakland

**In our Parish Cycle of Prayer:** for Good News Gardens

**For those with birthdays this week:** Mark K-H, Tom P., Robert M., Martha O.

**For those** who strive to maintain mental and emotional wellness, and for their families and friends;

**For those who have asked for our prayers: For those who have asked for our prayers:** Natalie, Grace A.M., Erv O., Carol O., Jean O., Jim O., Richard, Travis, Katie and Phil P., Sammy D., Glen R., Randy C., JoEllen, Anne K., Karen C.

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

**For** Oscar Grant, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks, Elijah McClain, Walter Wallace 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;

**Pray for those who have recently died:** Vereta Powell, Doryce Partridge, Sheri Geesey, Ted Wong, and Jim McKnight, and all who have died in wars, natural disasters or other violence around the world and for their families.

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

*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 at 415-285-9540, ext. 3 or [office@staidansf.org](mailto:office@staidansf.org)*



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