

Feast of All Saints



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
November 3, 2024 8:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

A Litany for All Saints Day

Presiders and Deacon(s)

O God, Source of all being, and creator of Heaven and Earth,
Stand here beside us!

O God, our Redeemer, who died and rose again,
Stand here beside us!

O God, our Advocate, who descended as a dove at Jesus' Baptism and strengthens all of God's people,
Stand here beside us!

Holy Trinity, undivided, One God,
Stand here beside us!

By the creation of the first humans from the dust of the ground, their forming in your holy image, and in-spiration with your sacred breath,
Stand here beside us!

By the calling forth of Noah and his family, the gathering of earth's creatures, and the gift of your covenant as a bow in the sky,
Stand here beside us!

By the blessing and sending of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Ishmael, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, Rachel, Joseph, and all our shared ancestors in faith,
Stand here beside us!

By the call of Moses at the burning bush, the liberation of the Israelites from Pharaoh's oppressive hand, and the rending of the Red Sea,
Stand here beside us!

By the courage of your holy prophets and all those who called your people to faithfulness of living and justice for those on the margins,
Stand here beside us!

By the establishment of the holy city of Jerusalem, your Temple, and the monarchs, Saul, David, and Solomon, who struggled for your glory,
Stand here beside us!

By the Annunciation to our sister Mary by the Angel Gabriel, the visitation to Elizabeth, and the Incarnation of the Word,
Stand here beside us!

By the voice that rang out in the wilderness, John the Baptizer, who washed your people in Jordan's waters and baptized Jesus,
Stand here beside us!

By the ministry of Peter, James, and John and all the disciples, their journey into faith and discipleship,
Stand here beside us!

By the first proclamation of the resurrection by Mary Magdalene and the other women,
Stand here beside us!

By Mary and Martha of Bethany and their brother Lazarus, who sought, served, and cried out in the midst of death,

Stand here beside us!

By the Canaanite woman, who persisted in the face of denial and procured healing from Jesus for her daughter,

Stand here beside us!

By the sacred stories of your evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and the proclamation of the Good News,

Stand here beside us!

By the blinding light sent to Paul, his ministry to the Gentiles, and the bringing of Christ's Good News to all,

Stand here beside us!

By Anthony of Egypt, Benedict of Nursia, Clare of Assisi, Francis of Assisi, Catherine of Sienna, Kateri Tekakwitha and all who have called your people to live lives of holiness and prayer,

Stand here beside us!

By the Cappadocian siblings Gregory, Macrina, and Basil and Gregory Nazianzen; Augustine and Monica of Hippo; by Hildegard of Bingen, Bernard of Clairvaux, Thomas Aquinas, and all theologians who invite us into a faith that seeks understanding,

Stand here beside us!

By Augustine of Canterbury, Patrick of Island, Brigid of Kildare, Aidan and Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, Hilda of Whitby, Julian of Norwich and all who shined the Gospel light into the British Isles,

Stand here beside us!

By Martin Luther, John Calvin, Thomas Cranmer, Elizabeth Tudor, Ignatius of Loyola, John and Charles Wesley, and all leaders and theologians who renewed and reformed your church:

Stand here beside us!

By Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Martin Luther King, Oscar Romero, Cesar Chavez, Hiram Hisanori Kano, Pauli Murray and all who lived lives of integrity, inspiration and truth,

Stand here beside us!

By John Lewis, Jonathan Daniels, Vida Scudder, Paul Washington, Elijah Cummings, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and all stalwart champions in the on-going struggle to demand respect for the dignity and worth of every human being,

Stand here beside us!

By John Ross/Tsan-Utsi, Peregrian Pinos, Dario Marine, Grandfather Black Elk, Chief Bigfoot, and all indigenous people who have upheld the dignity and traditions of their people in the face of colonialist atrocities,

Stand here beside us!

By Phyllis Lyon, Del Martin, Harvey Milk, Harry Hay, Leslie Feinberg, Gilbert Baker, Aimee Stephens, Monica Roberts, and all persons who have fought for LGBTQ justice and shined lights of hope,

Stand here beside us!

By Matthew Shepard, Brandon Tina, Chanelle Pickett, Rita Hester, Gwen Araujo, Kassim Omar, Michelle Henry, and all LGBTQIA2S+ people whose authentic lives and sudden loss cry out against transphobia, queerphobia, and all manner of hatred,

Stand here beside us!

By Oscar Grant, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks, Elijah McClain, Walter Wallace, Adam Toledo, Daunte Wright, and all whose lives have borne deep witness that Black Lives Matter, and that systemic racism, white supremacy, and police brutality must be eradicated,

Stand here beside us!

By Barbara Harris, Sam Hulse, Robert Shahan, Delano Ellis, William A. Thompson, Andrew Fairfield and all leaders of every church who have preached the gospel and have called God's children to live in communion with one another,

Stand here beside us!

By the power of the Paschal Mystery, we pray for those whom we love but see no longer, that they may dwell in peace and in your Presence forevermore, and until we are all reunited to each other and you. All who have gone before us,

Stand here beside us!

Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

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

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together all the redeemed in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The First Reading

Lector A reading from Isaiah (25:6-9).

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

Psalm 24

The Deacon, Officiant, or Presider introduces the Psalm and reads the Antiphon. All join in reading the bolded text.

Antiphon: The earth is God's, and all that is in it; the world and all who dwell therein.+

- 1 ***The earth is God's and all that is in it,* the world and all who dwell therein.***
- 2 + ***For it is God who founded it upon the seas* and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.***
- 3 ***"Who can ascend the hill of the Holy One?* and who can stand in God's holy place?"***
- 4 ***"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,* who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.***
- 5 ***They shall receive a blessing from the Most High* and a just reward from the God of their salvation."***
- 6 ***Such is the generation of those who seek you,* of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.***
- 7 ***Lift up your heads, O gates: lift them high, O everlasting doors;* and the King of glory shall come in.***
- 8 ***"Who is this King of glory?"* "Our God, strong and mighty, Our God, mighty in battle."***
- 9 ***Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors* and the King of glory shall come in.***
- 10 ***"Who is this King of glory?"* "The God of hosts is the King of glory."***

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The Second Reading

Lector A reading from the Book of Revelation (21:1-6a).

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John (11:32-44).
People ***Glory to you, O Christ.***

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord,

come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People ***Praise to you, O Christ***

The Sermon

The Rev. Cameron Partridge

Silence *After the sermon, a bell will sound to mark a brief period of silence. The bell will sound a second time to mark the conclusion of this time.*

Nicene Creed

Deacon Together, let us join in saying the Nicene Creed.

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified;
Who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,*

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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

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.***

Deacon At this time I invite you to come forward and place a photo or memento of a loved one on the table in front of the altar.

After the people have returned to their seats, the Deacon continues,

I invite your prayer for all who have died since our last observance of All Saints and All Souls, remembering especially Marilyn Joyce Thomte, Father John Shozawa, Alton Woo, Virginia Procter, Kathy Randlett, Michelle Henry, Marybeth Wallace, Doug Yorke, Cleo Fry, David Jamieson, Kay Wells, Barbara Purcell, Hazel Perkins, Mike Isaacs and from the St. Cyprian's community for Norma Planizcka., and other beloveds we name either silently or aloud.

After the people have shared the names, the Presider continues with the Peace.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

You are invited to share a sign of peace.

Announcements

Stewardship Reflection: Margie Wolcott

Offertory Sentence

Presider "The praises that the blest ones know, the church now joins from below as here we hail in yearly song the joys that to the saints belong." Let us with joy bring offerings of our life and labor to God.

The Liturgy of the Table

Presider God be with you.

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

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

People ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and living God, Creator of heaven and earth. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

Therefore we join in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, with angels and archangels, prophets and martyrs, with St. Aidan and all the holy ones, loved by you, who have entered into joy. Together with them, we magnify you as we pray:

***Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Presider

O God, from before time you made ready the creation. Through your Wisdom, your Spirit moved over the deep and brought to birth all things: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; growing things, both plants and animals; and finally humankind. You made us in your image to love and care for the earth and its life as you love and care for us.

You graced us with freedom of heart and mind, but we were heedless and willful. You took us by the hand and taught us to walk in your ways. And though you led us with cords of compassion and bands of love, we wandered far away. Yet as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

Then you acted anew in Creation. In order that we might see and know the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary of Nazareth, that she might conceive and bear a Son, the holy child of God.

When he had been raised from the dead, he filled us with the Spirit, your divine breath and fire, the wellspring of zeal, to live the gospel life.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He yearned to draw all the world to himself, as a hen gathers her young under her wings, yet we would not. We were heedless of his call to walk in love.

At last the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

As we gather to share the bread and cup, we remember this loving gift to us:

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we join together in the love of Christ to give thanks and praise to you, our God. Here at this table we offer to you all that you have made: this bread and this cup, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your love and your blessing on all we offer here. Breathe your Spirit into these gifts of bread and wine, to make of them the Body and Blood of Christ. Let your Spirit who broods over the whole creation dwell within us. Gather us to be your holy people, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. Draw us, O God, to your heart at the heart of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon As the Wisdom before Creation teaches us, we pray,
All ***Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Mother, Father, Parent of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:***

***The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.***

***With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.***

***For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.***

The Fraction

The Presider breaks the bread and says,

Presider We, who are many, are one body,
All ***For we all share in the one bread.***

The Invitation

Lifting the bread and cup, the Presider and Deacon invite the people.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. All are welcome at God's table.

*This Altar belongs to God and all are welcome to partake, wherever you are on your journey of faith.
If you choose to not receive the bread and/or wine, you are also welcome to receive a blessing;
simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest.*

The Bread and Wine are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

During Communion, those present via Zoom are encouraged to pray the following prayer for Spiritual Communion that we have all been sharing together throughout the pandemic:

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.

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.
All ***Eternal God,
we thank you that in Christ
you give yourself
into our hands:
may we who have tasted life
proclaim the coming feast
when many will come
from east and west, from north and south
to greet the God of all;
we ask this in your Holy Name. Amen.***

Healing Prayer

*The people are invited to share a request for healing prayer.
You may make a request for yourself or on behalf of another. The Presider then offers a prayer.*

Prayer for the People of the United States

Presider
God of wisdom and justice, as we move toward the election of leaders for the United States this week, may we all join in a season of prayer, committing to offer to you our hopes, our longings, our fears, and our dreams.

The people are invited to unmute and join in this prayer, sharing a fear, frustration, hope, or dream

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Blessing

May God, who kindled the fire of divine love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of grace. ***Amen.***

May God give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. ***Amen.***

May God strengthen you to follow them in the way of love and to come to the full radiance of glory. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of the holy and undivided Trinity, one God, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People ***Thanks be to God!***

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 The Rev. Stephen Siptroth, *Co-President*
 The Rev. Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, *Deacon*
 Doris Weyl Feyling, *Altar Guild*
 Kateri Paul, *Bread Baker*

Announcements

Election Day Eucharistic Adoration – 6-7 PM This Tuesday, November 5

This coming Tuesday, Election Day, we invite all who would like to gather for an hour of prayer, chant, silence, and reflection in the presence of the Eucharistic Sacrament. Whatever happens on election day and in the days to come, God is and will be with us, encouraging, strengthening, and accompanying us. Come join us in the St. Aidan's sanctuary.

Stage Fright, St. Aidan's 18th Dymphna Musical Comedy November 8 and 9 at 7:30 and November 10th at 2:00 pm

Just one more week until opening night for *Stage Fright!* The Dymphna Amateur Acting Company goes back to its beginning in song, dance and its usual hilarity. Directors and Cast include John Wilk, Scrumby Koldewyn, Deborah Shaw, Betsy Eddy, Robert Ayala, Elaina Cox, Dave Frangquist, Robert Geesey, Yulia Lai, Dana Morgan, Dan Rosen, Nancy Sabin and Ted Speros. The shows are on Nov. 8 and 9 at 7:30 pm and Nov. 10 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are available at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/6469417>, on Sunday mornings after the 10 am St. Aidan's service and at the show. Tickets prices are Priority seating Friday and Saturday evenings - \$35. General Admission – \$25 Adults, Children (5 – 18) - \$10. *Stage Fright* runs approximately 1 hour with no intermission. The show is fun for the whole family! A no host bar is available Nov. 8 and 9. Consider a donation to help with *Stage Fright* expenses. Please contact Betsy Eddy, betsy.eddy@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.

Please invite your family and friends. Our show is a great way to introduce the fun side of St. Aidan's to friends and neighbors.

Our St. Aidan's Women's Spirituality Group will meet via zoom Saturday November 9th, at 10:15.

As before, we will have time for both checking in and personal sharing as well as time for spiritual growth. We are certainly open to formats and approaches such as reflections on a poem, scripture, narrative passage or another focus for our growth. We want our group to meet the needs and desires of those who participate. If you want to

join us, and we hope you will, please contact Elaine Mannon at elaine@mannon.com to get the information for signing into our meeting

Good News Gardens

Our remaining 2024 dates are: **Nov. 9.** (We'll take December off...) Timing – 12:30-2 pm. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at mdyerc@stanford.edu.

Next Meeting of the New Jim Crow Anti-Racist Book Group

The group's next meeting will be **Sunday, December 8 at 4 pm via Zoom.** We're reading *The Oblong Way* by Malcolm Margolin. Please feel free to reach out to Deacon Margaret with any questions at mdyerc@stanford.edu.

Queer Chorus of San Francisco: Bloom Loop

November 15, 7:30 PM Concert Hall at Community Music Center, 544 Capp Street, San Francisco, CA 94110

In an era of darkness and doom, the light we see at the end of the tunnel is the sequined glimmer of queer expression. Join us for this concert of incantations where hope takes the form of a choir reminding the city to shine. Music from classical choral to folk and rock.

Suggested ticket prices:

Adults \$25 in advance, \$20 students/seniors. Sliding scale tickets available. 140 seats

We request with appreciation that audience members wear masks. The Concert Hall is wheelchair Accessible

St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Club

We will continue to meet via zoom with LeeAnn DeSalles serving as our zoom master. If you need the link or would like help with zoom, please contact LeeAnn at leeannesalles@comcast.net. If you would like to be on the Book Group's mailing list, please contact elaine@mannon.com.

- **November 25, 2024 7:00 p.m.**

- *The Swerve: How the World Became Modern* by Stephen Greenblatt. Relates the quest of a Renaissance book hunter who located a copy of Lucretius' "On the Nature of Things" that had been lost to history for more than a thousand years. Its re-emergence, suggests the author, was a kind of secular miracle that linked virtue with living a full life and, what would be called the greatest thought mankind ever had, the concept that all matter is made up of atoms that are in eternal, swirling motion. (368 pages)

Contemplative Prayer: Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday from 9-10 AM via Zoom

We offer Contemplative prayer 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. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org.

Morning Prayer: M/W/F at 7:30 AM (Mon & Wed Hybrid, Fri Zoom)

We offer Morning Prayer in hybrid mode (at church and via Zoom) on Mondays and Wednesdays, and on Fridays via Zoom only. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org.

Evening Prayer: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM via Zoom

We offer Evening Prayer via Zoom. Readings for the day are from the Episcopal Church's daily lectionary or calendar of saints, and the service includes a brief reflection time on the readings. Please feel free to reach out to the office for the Zoom access information: office@staidansf.org

Mask Policy: We respect the preference of anyone who feels safer by masking. We will also maintain a well-ventilated sanctuary by opening doors and windows. Our mask policy may be modified again as appropriate.

To add an announcement to the weekly bulletin of the Flame, please send your edited text no later than 11:00 am Wednesday to office@staidansf.org

Calendar for the Week of November 3, 2024

Sunday, November 3	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 9 AM
Monday, November 4	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM
Tuesday, November 5	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Wrestling with the Scriptures (via Zoom) at 10:30 AM
Wednesday, November 6	Morning Prayer (Hybrid) at 7:30 AM Diamond Diners at 12 PM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM
Thursday, November 7	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) at 3 PM
Friday, November 8	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Food Pantry (at church) from 1-2 PM Dymphna – <i>Stage Fright</i> at 7:30 PM
Saturday, November 9	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Women’s Spirituality Group (via Zoom) at 10:15 AM Dymphna – <i>Stage Fright</i> at 7:30 PM

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St. Aidan's Prayers

In Your Prayers, Please Remember:

In deep acknowledgment that St. Aidan's is located within the unceded ancestral land of the Yelamu tribe of the Ramaytush Ohlone people, with gratitude for their vital, ongoing relationship with this holy place.

In the Episcopal Church: For Michael our Presiding Bishop; Sean our presiding bishop-elect; for our bishop Austin.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: For the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For St. Elizabeth's, South San Francisco.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: For the Worship Committee.

For those with birthdays this week: none this week.

For all striving for mental and emotional balance and wholeness, and for their families and friends.

For those who have asked for our prayers: Albert T, Harlean D., Irma P., Jaime, Janice T., Jean W., Jenny M., Joe, Joelle, Judy B., Lynne and Meg S., Margarita, Mark, Mercedes, Mina Marie, Nicole M., Pat K., Patricia, Paul M. and family, Pete M., Peter G., Rebecca, Richie and family, Sarah G., Susan R., Tim F.

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

For our work in the world in our daily lives and for the ministries of the Friday Food Pantry and Diamond Diners.

For our congregation as we embrace our call to practice sanctuary: may we commit ourselves to prayer, education, and support for immigrants to this country and for all who are estranged, excluded, or threatened in 21st century America. We pray in thanksgiving for the numerous gifts our refugee and immigrant siblings have brought, and continue to bring, to our country.

For all who are struggling in this time of intensified injustice and polarization in our country and around the world: for strengthened relationships and deepened commitment to our common life and the well-being of our planet.

For those who have recently died: Marilyn Joyce Thomte, Father John Shozawa, Alton Woo, Virginia Procter, Kathy Randlett, Michelle Henry, Marybeth Wallace, Doug Yorke, Cleo Fry, David Jamieson, Kay Wells, Barbara Purcell, Hazel Perkins, Mike Isaacs, Mary Readé, Kathy O'Loughlin and from the St. Cyprian's community for Charolette Canida and Norma Planizcka.

To place a name on our prayer list, please contact the church office at 415-285-9540, ext. 3 or office@staidansf.org. Names of the living are printed by first name and will be kept on the prayer list for four weeks. To keep someone on the list for longer, please notify the office.



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