

THE WORD from St. Andrew's

March 2025



How a Eucharist Service comes together



Recently, Mother Susan held an Instructed Eucharist, during which she explained what we do, and why. I'm going to look at some of the hows: what does it take to prepare a service?

At its most basic, all you need for the Eucharist is bread, wine, and a priest. You don't even need a table: countless chaplains have celebrated Eucharist on the hood of a jeep.

YEARS IN ADVANCE:

The readings for the day were selected. We use the Revised Common Lectionary, a list of Sunday readings that has been agreed upon by most North American liturgical Churches, including Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal, and most Methodists..The lectionary is a three year cycle of readings, arranged according to the Seasons of the Church Year. You can find the RCL, as adapted by the Episcopal Church, here: <https://lectionarypage.net/>

MONTHS IN ADVANCE:

The priest looks over the readings and begins to rough out sermons for the coming season. The Altar Guild examines the vestments and altar hanging for the coming season and orders anything special that is needed (ashes for Ash Wednesday, palms for Palm Sunday, etc.)

WEEKS IN ADVANCE:

The choirmaster, in consultation with the rector and organist, selects Hymns and Offertory anthems for the upcoming services. The organist selects Preludes and Postludes. The choir and Organist begin to practice the music. The priest continues working on sermons.

THE WEEK BEFORE:

The sexton cleans the church, gallery, bathrooms and Parish Hall, and fills the coffee urn and water dispenser.

Tuesday and/or **Thursday**: The priest puts the final touches on her sermon, and practices her delivery. The readings are emailed to the assigned lay reader so they can be practiced ahead of time.

Wednesday: The parish administrator finalizes the service bulletin and announcements. That evening, the choir practices Sunday's music, with some practice of upcoming pieces.

Thursday: The receptionist prints and folds the service bulletins. They place bulletins in the Narthex, along with children's bulletins and crayons, and check to see the Narthex is ready to receive worshipers. They also place copies of the bulletin in the Chancel the organist, the priest, the chalice bearer, and the chalice bearer, and in the choir room. They also put a large-print version of the readings on the lectern for the lay reader.

Friday or Saturday: Altar flowers are delivered and placed in the refrigerator in the kitchen.

The Altar Guild sets the table, placing the linens and vessels on the Altar, and the elements (bread and wine) on the ledge in the back of the church. They check the levels of the Holy Water stoup and the votive candles in the side chapel.

SUNDAY MORNING:

One and one-half hours ahead: The priest arrives, and unlocks the gates and building, checks everything over, turns on the sound system, and checks her mic.

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One hour ahead: Sunday School (Kids' Quest) starts. The donuts are brought, and the coffee hour table is set with utensils, plates and napkins. The coffee is plugged in, and cold brew tea made. The flowers are placed on the Altar. The ushers arrive to make sure everything is unlocked, the lights are on, and that the entryways are clear of snow or leaves. The organist gets in one last practice in the church.

Half an hour ahead: Kids' Quest is dismissed and the kids flock to the playground to burn off some energy before church. The Stream Team sets up the camera for the livestream. The priest, chalice bearer and crucifer vest. The choir meets to warm up and run through the day's music and to vest. The Coffee Hour hosts bring their goodies and set them up on the table, or in the refrigerator, or in the warming oven.

Twenty minutes ahead: The ushers prepare to greet the people, handing them bulletins and reminding them to make a name tag.

Ten minutes ahead: The chalice bearer lights the candles and rings the bells. The people involved in the procession gather in the gallery, and the priest leads them in prayer. The organist starts the Prelude, and the Stream Team starts the camera. The procession forms: crucifer, chalice bearer, choir, and priest. The hymn starts, the procession moves and the Service begins.

After the Service: The Coffee Hour hosts (and pantry steward) place all the goodies on the table, and the priest greets the parishioners as they leave, either to their cars, or to have coffee and goodies and some lively conversation in the Parish Hall. The choir and chalice bearers divest and join the throng in the Parish Hall. The Altar Guild clears the Altar, washes the dishes, and gets things ready for the next service. If the Altar hangings need to be changed, this is usually a good time. (As I write this, they are changing the green of Epiphany for the White of Transfiguration Sunday, and as you read this, they are changing the white to the purple of Lent.) The person assigned to wash and iron the linens picks them up. The Altar flowers are given to the donor, or put in the refrigerator. (They'll turn up in the office during the week.)

As the Coffee Hour hosts and any volunteer helpers clean up, the designated "locker-upper" begins turning off lights and locking doors, making sure the sound system is turned off. They gently shoo the dawdlers by announcing that the gates will be locked, but anyone can leave by the alley door.

Goodbyes and blessings are called out, and everyone goes forth to love and serve the Lord.

- Charmaine Martin

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Eric & Gaylie, Domenic Macaluso, Dom Perri, Steven Perri, Spencer Greer, John Ensor, John Fuss, Ellie Johnson, Carol Anne Linson, Tim Wyatt, Earl & Kathleen Pittman, Jim Teel, Charlie & Shelly, Marilyn Manatt, Justin McClelland, John LeBarre, Kap Kelley, Melody Green, Cole Robinson, Chance Cavin, Sarah & Zada, Mike Leshnov, Bill Mayne, Beth Bierwirth, Janet Macaluso, Pat & Carlton Walker, David Knadle, Emma Cortez & Jeremiah Bryant, Alice B. Smith, Lynn Townsend, Suzanne Berry, Sevie Bates, Aaron Burkett, Bruce Currier, Lorinda & Royce, Andrew W., Cory Woodbury, Lew Hightower, Molly Pittman, Pat Wiberg, Jeannine Byron, Fern Simpson

- Ministries of St. Andrew's: Mother Susan, the Vestry, and the Foundation; Layreaders & Chalice bearers, Ushers, Altar Guild, the Choir, Loaves & Fishes hospitality ministries, Men's Group, Women of St. Andrew's, & Daughters of the King.
- Our Sexton Don Lupien, Parish Administrator, Janet Macaluso, and Receptionist, Vera Lupien. The search for Nursery Attendants
- Outreach ministries: Andy's Community Breakfast, Four Paws Pet Pantry, Needle Arts ministry; Starting Line, Wings for L.I.F.E, Community Kitchen, Food Not Bombs
 - The Episcopal Church, Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe
 - The Diocese of the Rio Grande, Bishop Michael Hunn, Canon Lee Curtis
 - For Camp Stoney, and the Missioner for Christian Formation, Rev. LeAnna Brun
- For Br. Angel Roque, and all seminarians. For the Bishop's School for Ministry. For the Bishop Frey Fund for Seminary Scholarships
 - For Diocesan Councils, Committees, Commissions, and the Cathedral Chapter
 - Borderlands Ministries, Bridge Chaplain Ana Reza
 - For the SE Deanery, Fr. Maurice Geldert, Dean
 - RCC Inmates & Officers, Guards, & Teachers; CCDC inmates & staff;
 - Those who are sick and those who care for them; for nurses, doctors and all medical staff
 - Those who Mourn
 - All those in the Armed Forces and their families; First Responders, keeping us safe
 - The People of Haiti, Sudan, Ukraine, The Congo (DRC), and all who suffer the horrors of War
 - For those fighting Injustice or Suffering it, the Women of Afghanistan and Iran, and others
 - Refugees, and those providing help for them; our Borderland Ministries
- For those in the path of storms, floods, fires, and other disasters, and all who seek to relieve and support them
 - For the homeless; For the needy and hungry; For the will and means to help them
 - For the unloved and those who have no one to pray for them;
- For our leaders in the city, state, and nation: wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties
- For peace, and for those who threaten it, turning the hearts of those who would harm others

For a Holy Lent



Almighty and ever living God,
you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent.
May this time be one of outward focus;
seeking you in those we often ignore.
Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter.
Give us hearts hungry to serve you
and those who need what we have to give.

<https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/lent-prayers>



VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Senior Warden Greg Anderson chaired the meeting in Mother Susan's absence. She had provided a written Rector's Report: the Worship Team had a meeting at the beginning of February to map out all the services of Lent and Holy Week. Scott is already preparing the choir for Ash Wednesday, and the rest of Lent.

There will be three services on Ash Wednesday (March 5th): Fr. Maurice will celebrate at 7:15 am, and Mother Susan at 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm. The Choir will sing at the 5:30 service.

During January, we assisted 11 families at a cost of \$1,114. Most of the assistance was for electric bills (9 families), and the rest for water bills. The Rector's fund has \$12,738.15 remaining.

As always, she brought to the Vestry's attention additions to the prayer list.

She also announced appointments to standing committees of the Parish, to ensure that their work would be done timely. The Nominating, Audit, By-laws, and Compensation committees were filled.

In other business, the Vestry all signed the Vestry Covenant, called for volunteers for Lock-up duty after church*, dedicated the Loose Plate offering for February 23 to the Bishop Frey Scholarship Fund for seminarian support, and for March 9th to Episcopal Relief and Development.

They also voted to sponsor a home game for the Roswell Invaders, and directed the Clerk to ask for June 14th. More info will be in future issues of The Word.



***BTW, you don't have to be on the Vestry to take a turn at lock-up duty. See p. 2 for "job description" and call Greg to volunteer.**



Andy's Breakfast!

Saturday, March 29, 2025

7:30 – 10 am

Everyone is Welcome!

Come as a guest OR as a volunteer. It's wonderful to see guests and volunteers mingling in the Parish Hall.

In January, we had 76 guests. 117 plates were served by 14 volunteers.

Thanks to all who came!

We can always use help with the clean up. Please call Greg Anderson (575-420-1300) to find out how you can help. Or just **show up** in the Parish Hall at 9:30 for clean-up crew.

We have plenty of travel-size toiletries for now, but with winter weather hanging on, we could use WARM socks, gloves, sweaters, coats, scarves. And sleeping bags are always in high demand.

Donations ALWAYS Needed !!!

Monetary donations are welcome. Be sure to note in the memo line: **Andy's Breakfast Supplies**

Thank you again for your generosity and support!!

If you would like to help in the kitchen, call Greg Anderson, 575-420-1300.

To help with the other distributions, call Eileen Grooms, 575-420-2595

HELP WANTED



We are STILL looking for nursery attendants. This is crucial to our goal of serving young families. Please help "beat the bushes"! If you know anyone who is a child care worker, or who uses child care, talk to them about our need. It's only about 3 hours on a Sunday morning, and the pay is good. This is a paid position for people over 21: an application and references are required. It is perfect for a worker with experience with kids who would like to make a little extra money by working Sunday mornings. Must take and pass online "Safe Church" training. AND we need TWO, in order to comply with Safe Church standards.

If you know anyone who might be interested, or if you know someone who might know someone, please let Mother Susan know. See the **Job Opportunities** tab on our website: <http://www.standrewsroswell.com>

WOMEN OF ST. ANDREW'S

The February meeting of the Women of St. Andrew's was attended by four people (and a dozen chocolate covered strawberries!) As we discussed our upcoming plans, we had to face the fact that we need help. All women who attend St. Andrew's are considered members, and help from menfolk is welcome too. Even if you can't attend meetings, please help us in these three ways.

Soup Monday: For several years running, a local group of churches have taken turns hosting a Lenten Lunch program during Holy Week, drawing about 75 people of all denominations. St. Andrew's will be hosting on **Monday, April 14th**, and we are renowned for the great soups we offer. We like to have a broad selection, six or seven pots of varying soups: beef, chicken, bean, vegetarian, and gluten-free. But we are short handed. Do you have a killer soup recipe? Can you provide a pot (or crockpot) of something warm and special? If soup is not your specialty, we also need crackers and cookies. Homemade cookies make a great light dessert for soup sippers. Please call Jerry O'Dette if you can help in any way. This is a great opportunity to showcase St. Andrew's. (And cooks and bakers don't have to be women!)

Easter Egg Hunt: The egg hunt & coffee in the courtyard is always a great addition to the joy of Easter. We need filled plastic eggs, for this, and once again, **COOKIES!** Members will be bringing eggs to the March and April meetings (Mar 10 & Apr 7), but if you can't make the meetings, you can bring them to church on Mar 9th or Apr 6th, and we'll get them safely stashed until Easter.

The Basket Raffle. This has been a popular fundraiser for the Women for a few years. It is the only fundraiser we hold, and here too, we need more baskets than we have commitments. It is fun to choose a theme for your basket and then find related items to fill it. We have creative people who can help you arrange an attractive basket (I need all the help I can get on this.) and to wrap them in cellophane and add a jaunty bow. We will need to have baskets done by May 11th so we can get them photographed in time to sell tickets for the June 29th Raffle.

Why do we need a fund-raiser? To pay for every other little thing the Women do for the church: cakes for Baptisms, Easter baskets for little guests to use in the hunt, Christmas and Valentine's cards for Assurance Home, Valentines gifts for college students, and many more tiny things that make St. Andrew's more welcoming. Please help! You will find it fun as well as worthwhile.



3/3 - Janet Macaluso
Earl Pittman
Pat Wiberg

3/5 - Julie Deaton

3/9 - Walker Graves

3/11 - Thomas LeBarre

3/15 - Katie Rico
Debbi Smith

3/16 - Eileen Grooms

3/18 - Nick McClelland

3/20 - Gini Bartley

3/21 - Kap Kelley

3/24 - Derek Evans

3/28 - Carol Anne Linson

3/31 - Karen Fuss



The deadline for the **April Word** is **Mar 21st**. Send anything you would like to share to Charmaine:
charmained704@gmail.com

Join **The Word Gang!** The extraordinary crew of Folders and Label-stickers!

Thursday, **Mar 27th** at 9:30 in the Church Office
View The Word Online! In Full Color, with working links
<http://www.standrewsroswell.com/the-word.html>

The Word is *love*

Kids Quest continues...

Sunday mornings 9:00-9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

For kids aged K-5th grade. In Kids Quest we learn about the liturgical calendar, sing together, learn about one of the lectionary texts, and do a craft or game. It's been lots of fun. If you know some kids who might enjoy being part of this, please invite them.



Women of St. Andrews Meeting March 10th In the Parish Hall

Visiting at 9:30 ; Down to business at 10:00

Bring filled plastic Easter Eggs
(or pick up some empties to fill)

We'll also discuss upcoming projects.

See p. 5 for Plea for HELP

Needle Arts Ministry

In January we took six blankets and eight knit baby hats to both Lovelace and ENMMC. I so appreciate all the people who help sew the blankets and knit the baby hats. Kits are always available in the office for anyone wishing to help.

As with everything else the price of flannel has gone up and I have not been able to find any "deals" on line. Currently the best price is a little over \$4.00 a yard at Hobby Lobby when they have their 40% off fabric prices - so we are purchasing our fabric locally. Thank you to all the people who have made monetary donations to Needle Arts to make these purchases possible.

We continue to keep Rev. Susan supplied with mini prayer quilts and poems. We also have several comfort/prayer shawls available in the office. Please contact Janet in the office or me to pick up one of these shawls.

Needle Arts will meet **March 13th** at 10:00 in the conference room in the office. We appreciate the continued support of the vestry and Parish members.



Debbi Smith

FOUR PAWS PET PANTRY

Next Pet Pantry Day:

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

3:30 to 5:30 at the 5th Street Entrance

Bagging begins at 2:30. Please come and help!



At our January distribution we assisted 88 households handing out 215 gallon bags of dog food, 135 gallon bags of cat food for a total of 350 gallon bags of pet food. We had 8 volunteers who helped bag and distribute the pet food.

We continue to purchase between 85% - 90% of the food we hand out. We are so appreciative of those who make monetary donations, donate bags of dog and cat food and gallon zip lock bags. We could not do this outreach without your support.

If you belong to a civic club or group that is looking for a community service project, Four Paws would appreciate donations of unopened bags of dog and cat food and 1 gallon zipper lock bags. If you need further information, please contact Debbi or Donna or the office.

Debbi Smith and Donna Eastes
Four Paws co chairs

Dog Food and Cat Food NEEDED!!

also Gallon size Ziploc Bags

Make monetary donations payable to St. Andrews, and write "Pet Pantry" in the memo line

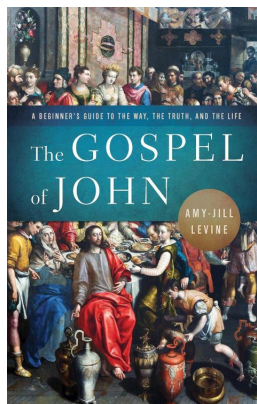
OR just buy a bag of dog or cat food and drop it off at the Church

If you prefer you can order Pet food from

Chewy.com

Lenten Study continues on Wednesday Evenings at 5:15 p.m.

**(no study on March 5—Ash Wednesday
Come to the Service!)**



Father Maurice will continue leading us in a study of Amy-Jill Levine's book, *The Gospel of John*.

It is not essential to read the companion book, but if you would like to, books can be purchased, in paperback or eBook format from Amazon.com or Barnes & Noble.com (These are links directly to the book.)



LENT

From the Calendar of Saints

CHARLES HENRY BRENT

Missionary Bishop (27 March 1929)

During the Spanish-American War (1898), arising from a dispute over Cuba and Puerto Rico, the United States also acquired Guam and the Philippines.

In 1902, the Episcopal Church appointed Charles Brent (at that time serving as priest in charge of a slum parish in Boston) as Missionary Bishop of the Philippines. He arrived on the same ship with the American Governor, William H. Taft, and carried with him the unofficial but very real prestige of the American establishment.

Brent could easily have confined himself to providing a kind of ecclesiastical “home away from home” for American officials and others stationed in the Islands. Equally, he could have devoted himself chiefly to efforts to convert the Roman Catholics, both of Spanish and of Filipino ancestry, whom the previous government had left behind. Instead, he directed his efforts toward the non-Christians of his diocese: the pagan Igorots of the mountains of Luzon, the Muslims of the southern islands, the Chinese settlements in Manila, all areas in which he made considerable inroads and established thriving Christian communities.

He began a campaign against the opium traffic, and served on several International commissions devoted to stamping out international traffic in narcotics. During World War I, he was the Senior Chaplain for the American Armed Forces in Europe. He declined three elections to bishoprics in the United States in order to continue his work in the Philippines, but in 1918, he accepted the position of Bishop of Western New York. His experiences in the Philippines had aroused in him a strong concern for the cause of visible Christian unity.

He wrote:

“The unity of Christendom is not a luxury, but a necessity. The world will go limping until Christ’s prayer that all may be one is answered. We must have unity, not at all costs, but at all risks. A unified Church is the only offering we dare present to the coming Christ, for in it alone will He find room to dwell.”

He helped to organize the first World Conference on Faith and Order, which met in Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1927. He died there in 1929, being 67 years minus 12 days old.

The writer James Thayer Addison called him “a saint of disciplined mental vigor, one whom soldiers were proud to salute and whom children were happy to play with, who could dominate a parliament and minister to an invalid, a priest and bishop who gloried in the heritage of his Church, yet who stood among all Christian brothers as one who served.”

By James Kiefer

http://www.satucket.com/lectionary/Charles_Brent.htm

He was also a man of prayer. One of his prayers for mission is included in the Book of Common Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love upon the hard wood of the Cross, that all men everywhere might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us with thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. Amen.



LENT QUIET DAY

Old-timers among us may remember Mother Dorothy Gremillion, who served as an assistant priest here many years ago. We have received an email from her, announcing a zoom Quiet Day she will lead on March 15th (a Saturday) from 9:00am to Noon MST



You're Invited!

An Online Quiet Day by Zoom in Preparation for a Holy Lent

Topic: Full-Spectrum Praying:

A 7-Fold Way of Getting it All Said before You Say Amen

Saturday, March 15, 2025

10:00-1:00 Central

Learn a way to pray that "gets it all said" – Everything...Everything... that's in your heart and your mind, before you say Amen. Even things you did not know you were carrying in your heart. When you say Amen at the end of Full Spectrum Praying, you can have the sense that you have really prayed and that your heart has been washed clean.

Read more at fullspectrumpraying.com

Or to Register Now, click the link below

<https://buy.stripe.com/aEU5ls9c36Z8flsdQQ> Cost: \$47.00

Presenter: The Rev. Dorothy Gremillion, Episcopal Priest in the Diocese of Texas

EMBER DAYS March 12, 14, and 15

Ember Days are here again, our quarterly time of thanksgiving and reflection. At St. Andrew's, we use the occasion to support the Community Kitchen, who provide a daily hot lunch to all comers. <https://www.facebook.com/roswellcommunitykitchen/>

On the Sunday following (March 16th) we invite all to bring non-perishable foodstuffs, or to make monetary donations:

Large cans of veggies and fruits; Dry pasta (Please no spaghetti: they still have TONS!); Staples like Rice and sugar; Perhaps large jars of condiments. (They prepare a sandwich bag lunch for Saturdays.)

Please make checks to St. Andrew's, and write in the Memo line: Ember Days, or Community Kitchen.

(We also provide a team to work in the kitchen once a month. Call Judith White or Eileen Grooms if you'd like to help.)



Episcopal Relief and Development.



On March 9th the loose plate offering (all undesignated cash and coin) will be given to Episcopal Relief and Development, the charitable arm of The Episcopal Church. The

ERD works with local churches and dioceses to provide relief after disaster hits, and to fund development projects like providing safe drinking water, improving sustainable farming techniques, and empowering small businesses in developing countries.

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/>

The Loaves & Fishes Team for March is:

Team 3: March, April, July, November

Chair: Charmaine Martin

Sara Armstrong

Gini Bartley

Katie Rico

Kate McClelland



If you would like to serve on this team, or any of the others, or would be a substitute, please contact Jerry Odette (575) 420-0084.

Team 1: January, May, September & December (Chair Greg Anderson)

Team 2: February, June, August, October (Chair: Sue Evans)



Daughters of the King

Thursday March 20th

11 am Howden Room

All women of St. Andrews are welcome!

In The Diocese...

The Bishop's latest video:

Exploring the Role of Deacons in the Episcopal Church

https://youtu.be/cGscHYyTlgw?si=mCToL88XCdex_9w4



Join Bishop Michael Hunn of the Diocese of the Rio Grande as he sits down with Deacon Athena Gassoumis to discuss the true essence and calling of a deacon. They delve into the differences between deacons, priests, and laypersons, shedding light on the crucial role deacons play in community service, justice, and compassion. This insightful conversation reveals the heart of diaconal ministry and its significance in the modern world.

Episcopal Church Sues the Federal Government

<https://youtu.be/KKZRjk68hWo?si=nBUZ4H8NjHiyza4>

In this video, learn about the recent action taken by the Episcopal Church to protect religious freedoms in the United States. The Episcopal Church has joined a lawsuit against the Department of Homeland Security over policy changes that make churches, schools, and hospitals potential targets for ICE or Border Patrol raids. This new stance has instilled fear in many, impacting their right to freely practice their faith. Discover the importance of upholding the constitutional right to religion and the Episcopal Church's stance on this critical issue.

ALSO:

Summer at Camp Stoney

Registration for summer camp is now open. Camp Stoney is also looking for Counselors and Volunteers. Links for Camp Stoney registration and job applications can be found at on the diocesan website: <https://dioceserg.org/camp-stoney-and-snow-slam>

Family Camp is back with two sessions book-ending the two weeks of Classic Camp for Youths. This is meant to be an inter-generational camp and invites all families to attend. In addition to creating a peaceful place for families to get away from the things of the world, it is also a great way to introduce children too young

to attend overnight camps away from home to Bishop's Ridge and the Counselors. Scholarships are available. For more information contact Le Anna Brun, Missioner for Christian Formation, at (575) 741-6424 or lbrun@dioceserg.org.



Diocesan Calendar:

March 2 (Sun) - Music for Piano Quartet, Cathedral, 3:00pm (MST) <https://fcmabq.org/piano-quartet-2025/>

March 6 (Thur) – Dinner with the Saints, “Lent Madness” series begins via zoom 6:30PM (MST) / 7:30PM (CST) *Sign up to get the Zoom link* (cynthiadavisauthor@gmail.com) Find out more about Lent Madness at: <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>

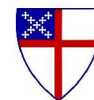
March 8 (Sat)– Members' Recital, American Guild of Organists, 11:00am (MST), Cathedral, ABQ

March 19-24 – House of Bishops Meeting. Bishop gone.

March 27-29 (Thurs-Sat) – IPL Permian Immersion Retreat Experience. For more information contact Sr. Joan Brown, osf at joan@nm-ipl.org. Space is limited.

March 28 (Fri) – Choral Evensong, 6:00pm (MDT), Cathedral of St. John, ABQ

In the Episcopal Church



Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe takes seriously the charge he was given by General Convention to reorganize the structure of the Episcopal Church to be more supportive of the dioceses and local churches where ministry actually happens.

Here he talks about the first steps he's taking, and the thoughts behind them

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1BrS1LBe7P/>

Lent Links

There are a lot of resources available for making Lent an especially meaningful time of reflection. Check out some of these online resources, and incorporate one or more in your daily routine:

From the Women of the DRG:

The Sharing Hearts with Sacred Story study will be found as posts on [Footprints From the Bible](#) instead of via Zoom. We'll look at Lent themes as they relate to our lives and the lives of some Bible women. Check it out weekly.



Let's listen.

Let's hear.

Let's start conversations.

Let's share Sacred Story.

Let's heal with love.

Let's build Beloved Community.

By

Sharing Hearts with Sacred Story

The National Episcopal Church Women:

Join us Every Thursday During Lent

Stations of Hope: A Thursdays in Black Journey Against Violence

Join us this Lent for a powerful journey of reflection and solidarity.

In this six-week series, we will walk the **Stations of Hope**, drawing on the ancient tradition of the Stations of the Cross while reflecting on themes of injustice, resilience, compassion, and hope. Guided by scripture, prayer, and song, we stand in solidarity with survivors of gender-based violence and renew our commitment to work for justice and peace.

Each week highlights a different theme – **The Burden of Injustice, Support, and Compassion, Acts of Kindness and Solidarity, Vulnerability and Wounds, Hope and Resurrection, and Love and Service**—inviting us to connect our faith with action. This series is part of the global **Thursdays in Black** movement, which calls for a world free from rape and violence.

Dates: Thursdays, March 6 – April 17, 4:30 PM, EST

Location: Zoom – we will email the link to everyone before the event. No need to register. (Just sign up for the "Email Blast" <https://ecwnational.org/> - scroll down)

From the Episcopal Church website:

Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption. Videos, adult forum curriculum, calendar, publicity materials, and quiet day curriculum available in English, Spanish, and French.

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/lent-resources/?fbclid=IwY2xjawlUuuRRleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHd5Ft9GJrBH442SLdXDx6u0qQB3SxiYF0FqtM17Djh4l-0s8MbphIeqtWw_aem_n2qyRE9ACd1v1iimLkUxvw

Prefer to hold a book in your hands?

Forward Day by Day has a number of interesting titles:

<https://www.forwardmovement.org/Products/CategoryCenter/FMEAS/Lent--Easter.aspx>

Some examples:

The Disciple's Way

Forward Movement began with a bold summons to follow Jesus. The first publication, *The Disciple's Way*, issued a stirring call to individuals and the wider church to practice seven steps of discipleship: turn, follow, learn, pray, serve, worship, and share.

That call is as urgent today as it was 90 years ago.

In this season of Lent, embrace the seven steps with encouragement from the original publication and daily meditations written by current leaders of the church. As the first Disciple's Way promised, this journey is high adventure, requiring time, effort, pluck, and money. Following Jesus is not easy, but it is The Way.

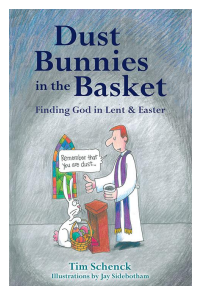
Also available as an eBook on [Amazon Kindle](#) and [Apple Books](#).

Dust Bunnies in the Basket

So popular, it is being re-printed.

Also available through

Amaon [Kindle](#) and [Apple Books](#).



More Lent Links:

Episcopal Relief and Development (see page 8)

also has a Lenten Study:



A COMMONPLACE LENT

For this year's Lenten Meditations, we asked our dear friend and well-known author Jerusalem Jackson Greer to partner with us on behalf of this Spirit-led community. Jerusalem wrote the meditations in celebration of our common life. Although Lent can sometimes be seen as a solitary spiritual journey, Jerusalem challenges us to walk this road with others. Using monastic wisdom as her starting point, she highlights the divine gifts that come from community.

Titling her meditations "A Commonplace Lent," Jerusalem celebrates two uses of the word "common." The first is the sense that we come together to celebrate "all that we are and all that we have in common"—prayer, worship, grace, love, community, service and so much more. The second understanding of common is a reflection on the ordinary, everyday nature of these communal gifts. She finds this duality rooted in the wisdom of desert mothers and fathers, monastics and other spiritual leaders and infuses it into her meditations for each day of Lent.

We hope you find a connection to a larger community of faithful people as you read these meditations. You are not alone. You join tens of thousands of others on this journey. We hope you will see yourself as an essential gift to others, both near and far. And we pray that God will richly bless you and your varied communities this Lenten season.

https://www.episcopalrelief.org/church-in-action/lent/?utm_source=ENS+EBlast&utm_medium=email+ENS&utm_campaign=ERD+LENT+2025+EBlast&utm_id=ERD+Lent+2025&utm_content=ERD+LENT+2025+EBlast

UTO - "40 Days of Welcome and Gratitude"

Each Lent, UTO offers a variety of resources for congregations, families, children, and individuals. This year, UTO is proud to partner with Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) to present: **40 Days of Welcome and Gratitude**: a call to giving thanks for the ways we are welcomed in the world and the ways that people offer welcome to us and to our communities. UTO and EMM are excited to partner together this Lent to provide a multi-faceted program to help people of all ages consider ways we experience and provide welcome that we are grateful for.

In order to do this, we've got the following materials for individuals and congregations:

Daily text message: Sign up for a daily prompt to notice and give thanks for something in your life that you might take for granted.

Printable calendar (Calendar para Imprimir en Español): Download a calendar with the same prompts as the daily text message that you can print out and hang on your fridge to mark the days until Easter.

Printable prayers: Download prayers adapted from the UTO Liturgy for use during Lent and Easter.



More Lent Links:

More from UTO...

The Ungrateful Refugee: A Lenten Book Group with UTO and EMM

2025 Lenten Book Group

Looking for a way to connect with others as a part of your Lenten Discipline this year? Look no further! UTO, in partnership with Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) is offering a 5-session book club on *The Ungrateful Refugee: What Immigrants Never Tell You* by Dina Nayeri. This is a perfect book to explore during Lent because it can encourage us to think more deeply about the experience of refugees. We'll explore this book together and see what we can learn about gratitude as a way to receive the stories and experiences of others. While reading the text prior to the meeting will enhance your experience, it is not required. You're also welcome to attend all 5 sessions or just the ones when you're available or where a topic interests you.



SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, March 11 at Noon Eastern (10 MDT): Part 1: Escape
- Tuesday, March 18 at Noon Eastern (10 MDT): Part 2: Camp
- Tuesday, March 25 at Noon Eastern: (10 MDT) Part 3: Asylum
- Tuesday, April 1 at Noon Eastern: (10 MDT) Part 4: Assimilation
- Tuesday, April 8 at Noon Eastern: (10 MDT) Part 5: Cultural Repatriation & Panel Discussion

[REGISTER HERE](#)

[DOWNLOAD THE BOOK GUIDE FROM EMM](#)

And, On the lighter side...

Lent Madness!

via Zoom on Thursday Evenings at 6:30PM starting March 6

Bring your dinner (or not) for a fun time of discussion and learning about the Lent Madness Saints at this intergenerational, multi-denominational, and coed event. Led by Marcia Miller (St. Francis, Rio Rancho) and Cindy Davis, (Cathedral)

Sign up to get the Zoom link (cynthiadavisauthor@gmail.com)



Find out more about Lent Madness, and the brackets at:

<https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>

Scroll down for a hilarious announcement of a mis-print in the Printed Calendar. (The Brackets are OK.)

"Like a mis-struck penny, this Saintly Scorecard is now a collectible. That's the positive spin. And we're all about spin. They are highly valuable now, and will be cherished for generations. Buying 10 more would be the prudent thing to do."

The Word cannot endorse the future collectability of the mis-printed Scorecard. But you can download a correct-ed version at <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>

Outreach Ministries Funds — January 2025

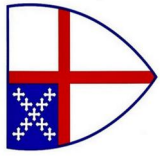
Unused funds carry over from one year to the next. This doesn't tell the whole story: much of our outreach ministry is accomplished by donated materials and **ESPECIALLY** by volunteer labors. **Thank you** for supporting these ministries.

FUND	Beginning Balance		JANUARY DONATIONS	JANUARY EXPENDITURES	Jan 31, 2025 FUND BALANCE
Andy's Breakfast	\$ 3,874.15		\$ 406.66	\$ 254.09	\$ 4,026.67
Needle Arts	5,587.76		.00	.00	5,587.76
Pet Pantry	10,271.99		.00	304.88	9,957.11
Rector's Outreach (Discretionary)	10,639.74		827.62	1,408.27	10,059.09
Starting Line	857.45		500.00	327.01	1,030.44
Unspecified Mission and Outreach	8,943.17		.00	.00	8,943.17
Altar Fund	924.41		0.00	0.00	924.41
Capital Improvements Fund	10,428.48		0.00	0.00	10,428.48
Choir Fund (& Advent Fest)	5,215.79		.00	.00	5,215.79
Children's Choir	4,216.77		0.00	0.00	4,216.77
Scholarship Fund	6,640.00		.00	0.00	6,640.00
Youth Group / Acolytes	4,701.42		0.00	0.00	4,701.42

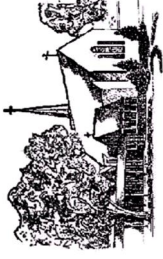
Income and Expense Report — January 2025

	Jan 2025	Jan Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
Ordinary Income:				
Plate Offerings	\$ 433.02	\$ 625.00	\$ 433.02	\$ 625.00
Current Pledges	9,791.50	9,634.63	9,791.50	9,634.63
Pre-Paid Pledges	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Unpledged Contrib	1,692.01	4,166.63	1,692.01	4,166.63
Special Offerings *	100.00	166.58	100.00	166.58
Foundation Income	95,538.52	95,538.52	95,538.52	95,538.52
Altar Flowers	245.00	133.34	245.00	133.34
Other Income	25.00	166.63	25.00	166.63
Income—Total	\$ 107,925.05	\$ 110,431.38	\$ 107,925.05	\$ 110,431.38
Payroll Expenses	21,202.29	22,027.51	21,202.29	22,027.51
Other Expenses	24,066.11	27,250.41	24,066.11	27,250.41
Total Expenses	45,268.40	49,277.92	45,268.40	49,277.92
Net Ordinary Income	62,656.65	61,153.46	62,656.65	61,153.46
Transfer from Savings**	0	0	0	0
Net Income + Transfer	\$ 62,656.65	\$ 61,153.46	\$ 62,656.65	\$ 61,153.46

*in addition to the donations to specific funds—see first table. **Trans from Money Market



March 2025



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	KidsQuest 9 Holy Eucharist 10	4 Tai Chi 4 Shrove Tue. Pan-cake Supper 5:00	5 Ash Wednesday Services: 6 7:30 am, 12:15, 5:30 pm	6	7	8
9	KidsQuest 9 Holy Eucharist 10 Daylight Time	11 Men's Group 7:30 am Tai Chi 4	12 EMBER DAY Lenten Study 5:15 Choir Practice 6 pm	13 Purim Needle Arts 10 am	14 Pi Day  EMBER DAY	15 EMBER DAY Lent Quiet Day 9-12
16	KidsQuest 9 Holy Eucharist 10 EMBER DAY INGATHERING	18 17 St. Patrick  Vestry 5 p.m. 	19 Pet Pantry 3:30 Lenten Study 5:15	20 Daughters of the King 11 am Spring Equinox	21 WORD deadline	22
23	KidsQuest 9 Holy Eucharist 10	25 Tai Chi 4	26 Lenten Study 5:15 Choir Practice 6 pm	27 Mail Word 9:30	28	29  Andy's Breakfast Clean-up Crew 9:30
30	KidsQuest 9 Holy Eucharist 10	Apr 1 April Fool's Day Tai Chi 	Apr 2 Lenten Study 5:15 Choir Practice 6 pm	Apr 3	Apr 4	Apr 5

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Sunday Services

In-Person and Livestream

[https://www.facebook.com/
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10 am

Followed by:

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

ASH
WEDNESDAY



Remember that
you are dust, and to
dust you shall return.

Ecclesiastes 3:20

SERVICES:

7:30 am

12:15 pm

5:30 pm