



# DIOCESAN E-NEWS

The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California

News for the week of Apr. 21, 2020

## The Good Book Club: The Gospel of Matthew | Easter 2020



We have worked hard to stay connected in the time of pandemic and also during the days leading up to and including Holy Week and Easter. Let's not lose this connection or the momentum that has built. Join us in reading the Gospel of Matthew during the Great 50 Days of Easter. You can start today; there's no need to "catch up".

- [Click here](#) to sign up for weekly reminders
- [Click here](#) to find resources
  - También disponible en español: [goodbookclub.org/espanol/](http://goodbookclub.org/espanol/)
- [Click here](#) for the book/ebook that Bishop Megan recommends to aide your study

## Bishop Megan's Easter 2 Sermon



Bishop Megan preached a sermon for the Second Sunday of Easter. We hope that you'll watch it again even if you've seen it already.

Link to the sermon here: [youtu.be/sOZzZ3ZnWx8](https://youtu.be/sOZzZ3ZnWx8)  
[Click here](#) for a transcript of the sermon.

## Holy Week @ Home 2020 Video



# Holy Week @ Home 2020

We did it! Holy Week @ Home 2020 is in the books and it was a success. Thank you to Team Holy Week, the scores of technicians, lay leaders, and Office of the Bishop staff. Thank you also to Christian Koszka of FreeTime Productions, for his work on this video.

Of course, this could never have happened without the heavy lift from our clergy. Thank you to the priests and deacons who worked so diligently to make Holy Week accessible, memorable, and recognizable. Canon Andrea has described this time as, "planting 60 virtual churches in just a few weeks."

YouTube: [youtu.be/\\_E9vcgGTall](https://youtu.be/_E9vcgGTall)

Vimeo: [vimeo.com/408611267](https://vimeo.com/408611267)

Google Drive: [drive.google.com/file/d/11HNnd4PYQZacHU-apQGgunrnXq6AtHOo/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/11HNnd4PYQZacHU-apQGgunrnXq6AtHOo/view?usp=sharing)

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### [CARES Act legislation guidance and resources](#)



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Legislation  
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### [Health and Safety: COVID-19](#)



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### [Stewardship in the time of COVID-19](#)



## RESOURCES AND LINKS

### Online Worship: A training opportunity with Sarah Stonesifer Boylan



We were thrown into the deep end of online worship – and we swam through to Holy Week beautifully. You’ve asked for a workshop now to figure out some of those trouble spots like sound, music, and live-streaming, and here it is!

**What:** A Conversation about Live-streaming and Online Worship

**When:** Thursday, April 23, 2020, 1:30-3:30 pm

**Where:** Zoom (Please contact Jacqi Seppi at [jacqi@norcalepiscopal](mailto:jacqi@norcalepiscopal) for an invitation)

**About our presenter:** Sarah Stonesifer Boylan, Digital Missioner, Virginia Theological Seminary, has agreed to meet with us, share what is working now in online worship, and host an online worship Q&A. Read more about Sarah [here](#).

We have curated some questions for Sarah from our meeting together and realize you may have more questions. Please submit your questions by [clicking here](#).

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#### Another Resource:

Sarah has office hours twice a week to answer questions about digital ministry.

- Tuesdays, 4-5pm ET (1-2 pm PT)
- Fridays, 12-1 pm ET (9-10 am PT)
- You can sign up at this link: [bit.ly/digitalministrymeeting](https://bit.ly/digitalministrymeeting)

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#### [Weekend worship links](#)

#### [How to live-stream your worship](#)



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#### Online resources for people in recovery

Isolation is perilous for people in recovery. We learn that our sobriety depends upon keeping connected to sober people, being accountable to others, being of service to others. [Read more from Rev. Anne...](#)



Do you have resources that have worked well for you? Share them with us at [communications@norcalepiscopal.org](mailto:communications@norcalepiscopal.org) and we will share them on our website.

## NEWS AND EVENTS IN AND BEYOND THE DIOCESE

### Blessing of the masks and gowns



"In normal times, [Clergy Image](#) makes clergy apparel for women. But these aren't normal times," say the owners, Cathie Anderson and Linda Escalera. They have turned their business into one that is manufacturing hospital gowns and have organized a volunteer group to sew masks for healthcare providers and first responders.

Last week, they invited the Very Rev. Mack Olson, dean of the Wingfield deanery and rector at Epiphany, Vacaville, to stop by and bless the gowns and the masks before they were shipped to those who need them.

"It is our sincere hope that these items will not just save lives, but will bring hope," said Cathie and Linda. Some of you may know that Cathie is the mother of The Rev. Megan Anderson, a priest in our diocese.

### This week's "Habits of Grace" video from Presiding Bishop Curry



## POSTPONEMENTS AND CHANGES

### [College for Congregational Development \(CCD\)](#)

### [Clergy Conference 2020](#)

### [Fresh Start, Spring 2020](#)

## [Pathways 2020: Butte County](#)

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