



# DIOCESAN E-NEWS

The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California

News for the week of February 16, 2021

## Ash Wednesday Observances Around the Diocese



**St. John's, Chico** will observe the beginning of the season of Lent with the Prayer Book liturgy for Ash Wednesday live-streamed on Facebook at 6:00 pm. The service will include readings, sermon, the chanting of Psalm 51, and the Litany of Penitence.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/243672703981171/>

The Imposition of Ashes will be offered in a “drive through” format from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm in St. John's parking lot. Properly worn face masks are required to receive ashes.

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**St. Martin's, Davis:** Modified Ashes-to-Go from 7:00 - 8:00 am;  
Self-guided prayer walk throughout the campus from 12:00 - 1:00 pm (repeats on Saturday, Feb. 20 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm); 7:00 pm worship service, hosted on Zoom, available at [churchofstmartin.org/2021/01/28/len-schedule/](https://churchofstmartin.org/2021/01/28/len-schedule/)

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**Grace Church, Fairfield,** will be safely imposing drive-up ashes-to-go between 10:30 am -12:00 pm, and live-streaming a reflective service at 5:00 pm to our Facebook page. Link to the event: <https://fb.me/e/3UbZ8QG4i>

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**Epiphany, Vacaville:** Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 pm, live streamed on

our Facebook page: [facebook.com/epiphanyepiscopalvacaville](https://www.facebook.com/epiphanyepiscopalvacaville) as well as our website: [epiphanychurchvacaville.org/live\\_events](https://www.epiphanychurchvacaville.org/live_events)

## Cathedral Worship in the News



Fox 40 News, Sacramento, featured an interview with Dean Matthew Woodward on Monday, February 15.

<https://fox40.com/news/local-news/sacramento-church-cautious-about-restarting-in-person-worship-even-after-supreme-court-ruling/>

## Creation Care Grants

**The Task Force on Creation Care and Environmental Racism** seeks to support and expand The Episcopal Church's loving, liberating, life-giving relationship with God, with each other and with Creation. At The Episcopal Church's General Convention in 2018, the convening body allocated funds to support local and regional eco-ministry efforts through grant awards ranging from \$15,000 to \$40,000.

Grant proposals must have an impact beyond the applicant organization/parish and include at least one partner in accomplishing the granted project.

The deadline to submit proposals is March 26th, 2021. A [webinar](#) for interested applicants will be held on **February 18 at 3:00 pm ET (12:00 pm PT)**. Additional questions can be directed to [Phoebe Chatfield](#) Associate for Creation Care and Justice.

## Lenten Resources

### From Trinity Cathedral:

#### **Living Compass: Living Well Through Lent 2021**

*Discuss the Living Compass theme of Listening With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind.*

**Mondays 1:00 – 2:30 pm** | February 15 – March 29

Contact [study@trinitycathedral.org](mailto:study@trinitycathedral.org) for more information

**Sundays 10:15 – 11:00 am** | February 21– March 28

Email [amydier62@gmail.com](mailto:amydier62@gmail.com) to register and to request a book via mail.

#### **Five Days on Jerusalem**

**Tuesdays 1:00 – 2:00 pm** | February 23 – March 23

*This Lenten class will look at five days in Jesus' last week.*

Contact [study@trinitycathedral.org](mailto:study@trinitycathedral.org) for more information

The Center for Bible Study and St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Rocklin, present:

### Finding God in the Midst of Chaos

A five-week journey examining the Biblical book of Ezekiel.

Tuesdays 11:00 am | February 23 – March 23



Dr. Lindy Williams of Fuller Theological Seminary

The Biblical prophet Ezekiel's life was upended by cultural change. He and 10,000 people were exiled due to war made to leave their homes, their towns, and their temple. These lost people had to reconstruct their lives in a place away from their sacred home. Join us for a five-week journey examining how they learned to survive in their new topsy turvy world. Where was God during change and hardship? How did God recast their dismal outlook to protect the faith's future? How did one faithful leader, Ezekiel, use storytelling to enable them to thrive amid massive upheaval?

This five-week Zoom class will spend one week exploring how the book of Ezekiel highlights incomprehensible loss, before spending the next three weeks on the book's reimagining of Jerusalem, the Davidic monarchy, and the Promised Land. It will close with a discussion on lessons learned, and how we can apply these lessons to our own uncertain times.

For more information call 916-435-9552 or email [anny@staugustineepiscopal.com](mailto:anny@staugustineepiscopal.com)

## COVID-19 Vaccine and Minority Community

The Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing will hold a town hall meeting about the Covid-19 vaccine and its effects on the minority community. The meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 24, 4:00 - 5:00 pm (PT)**. You may register at this link to attend the event: [Town Hall Meeting](#)

Visit their [website here](#).

THE ABSALOM JONES CENTER FOR RACIAL HEALING PRESENTS...

### TOWN HALL MEETING:

A CANDID CONVERSATION ABOUT THE COVID VACCINE & ITS EFFECTS ON THE MINORITY COMMUNITY

PANELISTS:

- DR. JENNIFER GANDER, PH.D., CLINICAL EPIDEMIOLOGIST, KAISER PERMANENTE GEORGIA REGIONAL
- DR. DAVID JONES, PEDIATRICIAN & VACCINE CHAMPION FROM KAISER PERMANENTE GEORGIA
- THE RIGHT REVEREND ROB WRIGHT, 10TH BISHOP OF DIOCESE OF ATLANTA

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2021 7-8P EST  
REGISTER NOW ON OUR SITE [WWW.CENTERFORRACIALHEALING.ORG](http://WWW.CENTERFORRACIALHEALING.ORG)

Episcopal Relief & Development offers a [new digital prayer tool](#), bringing together prayers from many sources and the

opportunity to share prayers with others.



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**Get Prepared** - Whether it's an earthquake, wildfire, flood, or COVID-19, Listos California wants everyone to get ready and stay safe. Working with you to establish resilient communities and build a new culture of disaster preparedness for all Californians. Listos California offers resources for you and your family. Visit their website [here](#).



[Online resources for people in recovery](#)

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