



DIOCESAN E-NEWS

The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California

News for the week of September 8, 2020

Welcome back Jacqi Seppi!



We are excited to welcome back Jacqi from her maternity leave. Please join us in celebrating her return and enjoy the photo of Mama Seppi and Octavian Cortopassi Seppi. Also known as "Tavi."

A Summer of Ordinations

On Wednesday, August 26, the Rev. Marcia Hansen was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons by The Rt. Rev. Megan Traquair. The evening was full of warmth, online connections, and held at St. John's Episcopal Church in Roseville.

This summer we have been conducting these extraordinary ordinations using best practices in this time of COVID.



Convention Spotlight

Becoming Beloved Community in the Diocese of Northern California

Presenters: Commission for Intercultural Ministries

The Episcopal Church's Becoming Beloved Community frames a path for Episcopalians to address racial injustice and grow as a community of healers,

justice-makers, and reconcilers who share a passion for the dream of God. Where are you and your church in this lifetime journey as you learn, pray and act and then turn again to find a new revelation or challenge? Discover how the Becoming Beloved Community Labyrinth relates to your Baptismal vows. Hear how churches are telling the truth, proclaiming the dream, and following the Way of Love towards repairing the injuries to ourselves and our world.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration is currently open for clergy and delegates. Watch in the coming weeks for an invitation for all to participate in the 2020 Diocesan Convention.

Disaster Relief Assistance

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

Isaiah 43:2

*Please give to help
Disaster Relief*

In our diocese there are four main fires that have burned over 800,000 acres. These fires have impacted 28 churches and three parishioners have lost their homes.

In addition to prayer, if you would like to reach out a helping hand, here is how to donate to disaster relief:

Bishop's Discretionary Fund: Disaster Relief

100% of your donation will go directly to assist victims in the first stage of the disaster and later during long term recovery.

To donate to disaster relief, click [here](#) now.

<https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=159790&f=6&a=20.00>

Please make checks out to EDNC
put "Disaster Relief" in the memo line.

Mail checks to:
The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California
350 University Avenue, Suite 280
Sacramento, CA 95825

Resources and Links

Building Intentional Small Groups

Many churches in our diocese are having small group meetings. If you would like more information on further developing or starting to use small groups in your church. The Episcopal Church has resources for creating an intentional small group ministry in your congregation. Click [here](#) for more information.



ELECTION RESOURCES for your church

[Five ways to faithfully address elections.](#)

[Vote Faithfully: Toolkit for Churches](#)

[Online resources for people in recovery](#)



Tens: The Episcopal Network for Stewardship

is offering a complementary event on Saturday, September 12 at 8:00 am.

Virtual Galas, Auctions, & Events for Church Fundraising

For more information and to register click [here](#).

To submit news/events, please email communications@norcalepiscopal.org. The submission deadline is the Wednesday before the Tuesday publication.

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