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## From the Wider Church

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### **Pentecost season opens with Way of Love Revival Weekend 'One in the Spirit' features churchwide virtual worship and concert**

The Episcopal Church greets Pentecost with *One in the Spirit, a Way of Love Revival Weekend* designed to fan the flames of hope, celebrate difference, honor creation, foster beloved community, and send people toward Jesus's Way of Love.

**The weekend of events includes the following:**

- **Saturday, May 22**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Concert for the Human Family and "From Many, One" Community Conversations
- **Sunday, May 23**, 4-5:30 p.m.: Churchwide Pentecost Revival Worship from Philadelphia, Navajoland, Seattle, St. Louis, and Washington, D.C.

[Read more](#) in English and Spanish

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## From Around the Diocese

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### **Times-Standard featured article by The Rev. Dr. Daniel DeForest London**

When I look at Fr. George Shultz's painting of St. Philip, I see an undeniable resemblance to the late Prince Philip. Whether or not Prince Philip was an inspiration for the painting, I can't help but notice other similarities between the Duke of Edinburgh and his biblical namesake. Not only did the two share the same Greek name Philip (which means "Friend of Horses"), they also both proved to be masters of "dontopedalogy," a term that Prince Philip coined and defined as "the science of opening your mouth and putting your foot in it." Endearingly, the prince



admitted that it was a science he had practiced for many years. [Read more of the article here.](#)

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## From the Office of the Bishop

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### *A note from Bishop Megan:*

I am recovering very well from my knee surgery and I know that it is because of all the prayers of this Diocese. I thank you for your continued prayers.

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## 1953 JOURNAL OF CONVENTION

Last seen October 9, 2010

May be considered  
old and musty

If you find a copy,  
please notify the  
Office of the Bishop

## REWARD FOR SAFE RETURN!



If you have, or know who might have a copy of the 1953 Journal of Convention, please contact Jacqi Seppi - [jacqi@norcalepiscopal.org](mailto:jacqi@norcalepiscopal.org)

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## Additional Resources and Links

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**Immigrant Day of Action**

On **Tuesday, May 25**, advocates, leaders, community members and CIPC will summon our collective power virtually for our [Immigrant Day of Action](#) (IDA) and CIPC's 25th Anniversary! On IDA, we will be urging the Governor and Legislature to make equitable investments and pass laws that transform our neighborhoods into communities where all Californians are safe, healthy, and financially secure. [Read more here](#) how you can get involved.



## Sacred Ground Circle



For the Episcopal Church, Becoming Beloved Community is a vision for a community where we grow in our love of God, our neighbors and creation. A labyrinth with four quadrants has been developed to illustrate the journey toward Becoming Beloved Community.

One way to do this work is through learning and communicating in Sacred Ground Circles.

**Sacred Ground** is a 10-part discussion about race, grounded in faith. Participants are invited to view selected videos and read books and articles about Indigenous,

Black, Latino and Asian/Pacific American histories and how they intersect with European-American accounts.

The materials also examine the church's evolving teachings on race relations. Participants come together in small groups, aka dialogue circles, to reflect on what they have learned and how it fits with their own family stories, identities, and experiences.

**There will be two Sacred Ground opportunities hosted online:**

**Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. beginning May 10** hosted by [Paul Mallatt](#) from Incarnation, Santa Rosa and [Deacon Kate Sefton](#) from St. Stephen's, Sebastopol.

**Thursday afternoons 1:00 p.m. beginning May 13**, hosted by social justice advocate [Bob Wohlsen](#) and Spiritual Director/educator [Sharron Simpson](#)

If you are interested in joining, email [Deacon Kate Sefton](#) or [Bob Wohlsen](#).

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## From the Episcopal Foundation

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**The Episcopal Foundation of Northern California** has joyfully committed to award \$100,000 in grants to churches and missions throughout our Diocese in 2021!

Supporting the Diocesan mission of making disciples, raising up saints, and transforming communities for Christ, the Foundation will endeavor to enhance ministry and outreach in the Diocese in five general categories:

- Evangelism
- Education
- Technology
- Homelessness Relief



- Food Insecurity

The application period is from April 1, 2021 – June 1, 2021. Click [here](#) to download an application.

To submit an application, or if you have questions, please [email Michelle Karimi](#).

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The Episcopal Foundation of Northern California is continuing the **Mustard Seed grant program** for 2021!

**Mustard Seed** grants  
*"moving mountains"*

*Mustard Seed* grants are grants of \$500 to promote and support grass-roots ministries at the congregation level in our Diocese.

- Available to parishes, missions, and other Episcopal organizations in the Diocese
- Linking small, creative ministries to resources: a little help in the right place at the right time in the right hands can eventually move mountains

The application period is from April 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021; grants will be awarded throughout the year. Click [here](#) to download an application.

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In addition to the ongoing financial aid program the **Fund for the Diaconate** has been assisting deacons -- working, retired, or disabled -- who have insufficient funds for their needs. The Fund is unique in its mission of service to deacons by deacons. The Fund for the Diaconate of the Episcopal Church has created a special Emergency Grant Program, to aid deacons affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.



For more information visit the [website here](#).

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



[Online resources for people in recovery](#)

To submit news/events, please email [communications@norcalepiscopal.org](mailto:communications@norcalepiscopal.org). The submission deadline is the Wednesday before the Tuesday publication.

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