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News from the Diocese and Wider Church

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

From the Office of the Bishop

Clergy and Staff Transitions



Rev. Dr. John E. Day



Peggy Doyle



Rev. Portia Hopkins

Farewell and Godspeed:

The Rev. Dr. John E. Day has served as Transition Ministry Officer since April 2021, and will be returning to retirement.

Peggy Doyle, Executive Staff Support, joined the Office of the Bishop in March 2020, and was instrumental in marketing and communications. She has accepted a position working in healthcare marketing.

We thank John and Peggy for their service and wish them blessings in their next adventures.

Welcome and Congratulations:

The Rev. Portia Hopkins has accepted a call to serve as Chaplain of the Belfry at UC Davis.

Around the Diocese

Wildfire Relief Update

Thanks to your generosity, we have received **\$12,535** through online giving and checks to purchase gift cards for fire victims!

If you would like to give to fire relief, please visit the [GIVE](#) link on our web site. Your contribution helps us both to offer immediate, direct aid to those in need, and to sustain a long-term commitment to heal and restore devastated communities.

The Rev. Debra Warwick-Sabino, Rector of Our Savior, Placerville was quoted in a recent *NYTimes* article about the Caldor Fire. Read it [here](#).

Diocesan Convention Update

Register by Friday, September 10 for Early Bird Price of \$25! Click [here](#) to register for convention

Deadline to submit nominations for Board of Trustees and Standing Committee is FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

Convention Quilt Project

Quilt block submission deadline extended to **Monday, October 4**. If you have questions about the project, please contact Beth Carlson at 530-345-8142 or rbmj1616@gmail.com



The beautiful Quilt Block from Holy Trinity, Ukiah

Thank you to the following congregations for submitting their quilt blocks:

St. Luke's, Auburn
St. Paul's, Benicia
St. Luke's, Calistoga
Faith, Cameron Park
St. George's, Carmichael
St. Michael's, Carmichael
Good Shepherd, Cloverdale
St. Andrew's, Corning
St. Francis', Fortuna
Emmanuel, Grass Valley
St John's, Marysville
St. Barnabas, Mt. Shasta
St. Bridgid's, Rio Vista
St. Paul's, Sacramento
Trinity, Sonoma
Grace, St. Helena
Holy Trinity, Ukiah

News for Retired Clergy

Important information for Medicare-eligible clergy from the Church Medical Trust. Click [here](#) to read more.

From the Commission for Intercultural Ministries

How can we help Afghan Refugees?

The Diocesan Commission for Intercultural Ministries has been talking about how we in

our Diocese can best help Afghan refugees: both those who now live in our Diocese and those who will soon be coming to live here.



With that in mind, all are invited to a **Zoom brainstorming meeting Thursday, September 9th at 2pm.** You do not need to do anything prior to the meeting – this will be an opportunity to think together about possibilities.

Here is the Zoom info:

Topic: Meeting to Brainstorm

Time: Sep 9, 2021 | 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81265535686?pwd=NkZOVE50NWNsOTlVTk5uSE1qOFJDZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 6553 5686

Click [here](#) to read a recent LA Times article about Afghan refugees in Sacramento.

Two Sacred Ground Circles are forming via Zoom in September and are welcoming new participants:

The Rev. Mary Claugus and Deacon Cindy Long from St. Michael's in Carmichael will co-facilitate a circle meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays from Sept. 15 through Nov. 17.

To register, email deaconcindy@stmichaelscarmichael.org.

The Rev. Kathy Hopner, Deacon Emerita Tina Campbell, and Susan Hotchkiss of Trinity Cathedral in Sacramento will co-facilitate a circle at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays from Sept. 16 to Nov. 18. To register (by Sept. 9), email susanhotchkiss@trinitycathedral.org

Sacred Ground co-facilitator sought

The Commission for Intercultural Ministries has been contacted by a former Sacred Ground facilitator who is seeking a co-facilitator to launch a new Circle via Zoom. If you are interested, please email NorCalCIM@gmail.com.

Keeping track of Sacred Ground

Are you forming a Sacred Ground Circle? Let the Commission for Intercultural Ministries know by registering it [here](#).

Are you interested in joining a Sacred Ground Circle? Sign up [here](#).
Or email NorcalCIM@gmail.com

The Episcopal Church of St. Martin | Seeds of Justice Series

Wintun Homeland Stewardship: Stories of Native Ancestors



Sunday, September 12 | 12:30 pm

Presented via Zoom

Ancient Grass Cordage: Demonstration and Hands-on Activity.

Sunday, October 10 | 12:30 pm

In person and masks will be required.

Both workshops presented by Diana Almendariz, Cultural Practitioner of Maidu/ Wintun, Hupa/Yurok descent, traditions, and cultural experience.

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

Upcoming events around the Diocese

Art Show & Sale featuring works by photographer Larry Brenden

Friday, September 10 | 5:00-7:00pm

Benefitting Haiti Education & Development Corporation

Hosted by St. Augustine Episcopal Church, Rocklin.

For information and tickets, click [here](#).

Free Zoom Webinar with The Rev. Coleen Tully

Resurrection: Living the Promises of New Life in Sobriety

Saturday, September 11

For details contact The Rev. Anne McKeever at amckeever@wavecable.com

Presented by Diocesan Partners in Ministries of Health

Click [here](#) for more information.

Installation of The Rev. Matthew Woodward

as the 12th Dean of Trinity Cathedral

Saturday, September 18 | 11:00 am

Followed by an open air reception. This event will be livestreamed.

RSVP by Sunday, September 12 to Randy Rodriguez at rrodriguez@trinitycathedral.org or 916-446-2513 x 220



From Trinity Cathedral

Lunch Bunch: Beginning Thursday, September 16 |

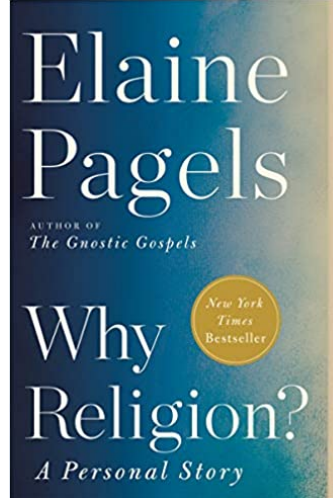
12 noon on Zoom.

Why Religion?

A Personal Story by Elaine Pagels.

Why is religion still around in the twenty-first century? Why do so many still believe? And how do various traditions still shape the way people experience everything from sexuality to politics, whether they are religious or not?

In *Why Religion?* Elaine Pagels looks to her own life to help address these questions.”



Please email susanhotchkiss@trinitycathedral.org for Zoom link.

Thursday Night at the Cathedral: Spiritual Gifts Class September 16 through October 7 | 7:00-8:00 pm.

God has a purpose and plan for each of us – and He has given us the gifts and tools we need to fulfill them. But how do you know which life-changing gifts He’s set aside specifically for you? When you know and understand the gifts God has given you, you will discover a renewed sense of purpose and excitement as you partner with Him and bless others.

Join Bill McGrath for a four session weekly Zoom class starting Thursday, September 16 for this exciting class. All necessary materials will be provided. Please contact susanhotchkiss@trinitycathedral.org for the Zoom link.

Job Opportunities Around the Diocese

St. Paul’s, Benicia is seeking a **Contemporary Music Leader**

For more information, click [here](#).

Trinity Cathedral has the following part-time openings.

Click on the job title for more information.

- [Tenor Choral Scholar](#)
- [Director of Cathedral Choristers](#)

St. Patrick’s, Kenwood is seeking an [Interim Parish Administrator](#)

Spiritual Formation

LOVE IS THE WAY
Holding on to Hope In Troubling Times



Word and Life Fall 2021

Online Study, Lecture and Discussion Series Via Zoom

September 9, 2021 thru November 11, 2021

We invite you to join us for 10 weeks of ZOOM meetings on Thursday mornings from 10:00 am – 11:30 am (Pacific). Inspired and guided by Bishop Michael Curry's book, *Love Is The Way*.

For more information, click [here](#).

Introductory *Parable Log*

Zoom Presentation

Monday, September 13 | 7:00 pm

This is a free one-hour participative experience to introduce you to the process and content of *The Parable Log Workbook* and to introduce you to the six-week study and practice program *Using the Parable Log Workbook* which will be offered weekly **Monday evenings, starting September 27 at 7:00 pm**.

The Parable Log Workbook is structured like a ship's daily log, requiring 15 minutes a day. In the log, daily situations are Identified and used to engage with God's Presence. In the program, simple helps are offered to tame inner criticism, expand awareness of new information, provide an opportunity to listen to — as well as speak to — God, and increase deliberate choices and action. The Introductory one-hour hour experience is intended to help you make an informed decision about joining the class.

[Click here to join on Zoom](#) **Passcode: zC5amF**

You may register for the class (Cost \$15.00 for the Log Workbook) at the 9/13 introductory meeting.

Presented by **The Rev. Gregg Churchill, ThD**, retired Episcopal priest at All Saints, Redding.

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