

ST AIDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13, 2026

Welcome to St Aidan's

Welcome to St Aidan's! Thank you for sharing your worship with us. We pray you will experience God's presence in our worship and hope you join us again. If this is your first time with us, relax and simply follow along with those around you. Please fill out a guest information card located on the chair shelf, or sign the guest register on your way out. A few tips...

- **We all use Name Tags** to help us not only get to know our visitors more easily, and vice versa, but to refresh our memories about who we are. If you do not have a name tag, please fill one out for yourself and place it on your chest. Name tag supplies may be found in the green satchel on the shelf of the chair in front of you. If you want or need a permanent St Aidan's name tag, sign up for one on the sheet next to the name tag rack in Deitel Hall. (*no cost*)
- **Children in Church:** We love children in worship. The little noises and sounds they make are music to our ears. They are an indication of life, and God's grace. Teaching children how to worship and pray in church is one of the greatest gifts a parent can give a child. There are activities packs in the narthex for little ones who need more tactile engagement. If children become especially noisy (screams, yells, cries, etc) feel free to leave the service and return when things are more calm. We have a nursery space near the main entrance that is quiet and has tables, toys, and things that may help. Coming and going from worship as needed is never a problem.
- **Prayers of the People:** Add names to the Prayers by telling the priest or the usher, by contacting the church office via phone or email, or by adding petitions and thanksgivings silently or aloud at designated times.
- **Silence & Sacred Space:** Observing silence before the service helps others prayerfully prepare for worship.
- **Hearing Assistive Devices** are available at the back of the church, behind the piano and organ.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour: 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Adult Forum: 9:15—9:45 a.m. **Weekday Eucharist:** Wed. 10am

PUBLIC SERVICE OF HEALING

SUNDAY, SEPT. 20 — 8 & 10AM

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

ST FRANCIS DAY, OCT. 4, 10AM



Ministry Leaders at St. Aidan's

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8 o'clock—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Procession ~ *You are invited to stand at the striking of the bell*

The Opening Acclamation	BPC 323
The Collect for Purity	BPC 323
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Announcements; Birthdays, Anniversaries, Travel prayers

The Offertory

The Presentation

Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer I	BCP 333
Sanctus & Benedictus	BCP 334
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 337
Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 337
The Communion	
Thanksgiving after Communion	BCP 339
The Blessing	

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT: A READING FROM GENESIS

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

THE RESPONSE: Psalm 103:1-13

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and forget not all his benefits.

He forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;

He redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

He satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.

He made his ways known to Moses *
and his works to the children of Israel.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

THE EPISTLE:

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

THE GOSPEL

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who

owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Phil, our Bishop, and Drew, our Rector; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who

bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our President and Bob, our Governor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor **Theresa** Strain, **Marno** Goetsch, **Emily** Lisdahl, **David** Miller, **Judy** Trammell, **Don** Perry, **Chris** Clark, **Thomas** Semkow, **Robert** Semkow, **Barbara** Brooks, **Crystal** Colombo, **Jessica** Larsen, **Arra** Morrison, **Michelle** Swain, **Bill** Vermilye, **Tony** Conner, **Gino** Conner, **Sandra** Barnhill Harris, **Patty** Paddock, **Jerry** Sheehan, **Wendy** Campbell, and **Patty** Both. And all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed St Aidan, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

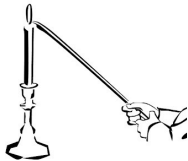
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of
the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ALTAR SERVERS

8:00 AM	September 13, 2026
Lector	Ann Morgan
Chalice Bearer	JoAnn Moffett
Acolyte	Donovan Knouse
Usher	Kathy Hosley



ALTAR GUILD

Candi Bialon, Judy Bingay, Gayle Thomas

FLOWER GUILD

Mary McConnaughey (next week: Gayle T)



ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers add beauty and grace
to worship at St Aidan's. Please
consider donating altar flowers in
honor of someone special.

Sign up in Dietel Hall

BIRTHDAYS

Gloria Archambault,
September 13

Donna Myers, *Sept. 17*

Phil Trautman, *Sept. 17*

ANNIVERSARIES

Patrick & Carrie
Buffington, *September 14*



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