

"Bearing Witness" Informational Session

Tuesday, June 11, 12:30 p.m. via Zoom

REGISTER

The Diocese of North Carolina is hosting an informational session about Bearing Witness, the new, free, video-based study program from the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (AFEDJ) that shares the stories of people living in Palestine and Israel and the remarkable ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem that bring hope and healing in this volatile part of the world.

It is a particularly timely offering for those who want to have a deeper understanding and appreciation of the dynamics, gifts and challenges of belonging to a land that is shared by many faiths, ethnicities and nationalities. It's a way of first listening, praying and discerning how God might be calling us to be in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in Jerusalem, Gaza, the Galilee, the West Bank and the entire area where Jesus lived, taught, and gave himself up to the glory of God and for the sake of creating beloved community on earth. It models what it means to walk in love in one of the hardest regions on earth, and recalibrates our hearts and our ministries in the process.

The June 11 informational session is for anyone interested in learning more about this new curriculum, how it might be brought to your church, or how you might become a facilitator.

Are You Going to the Revival?

Episcopal Revival and Learning Party at the 81st General Convention

Saturday, June 22 | 7 p.m.

If you're going to be anywhere near Kentucky June 22 (or want to plan a trip!), come join thousands of Episcopalians for a transformative day of love, celebration and spiritual growth at the [Episcopal Revival](#) and [Learning Party](#) on Saturday, June 22, in Louisville, Kentucky.

If you are planning to be there, let us know! We're working to connect all the faithful of the Diocese of North Carolina in Kentucky and enjoy the event together.

Simply [fill out this quick form](#), and we'll be in touch about t-shirts, rally points and more.

Episcopal Farmworker Ministry Backpack Drive

***Note: You may want to amend the collection information**

The [Episcopal Farmworker Ministry](#) needs your help with their upcoming [backpack drive](#) to supply the children of their local community!

Backpacks will be collected during the month of June and distributed in July. Filled backpacks can be brought to EFwM (2989 Easy Street, Dunn, NC) on Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Backpacks should be dropped off by Friday, June 28.

If you would like to receive a list of children to sponsor please [email Patti](#), or call/text 919-805-1607.

HUGS Camp Buddy Campers and Still Needed

HUGS Camp Dates: July 8-13, Haw River State Park

HUGS is a unique camp for unique people, bringing together young people of diverse abilities. They overcome barriers of real and imagined differences and build bridges of understanding. HUGS is about acknowledging the good creation in each of us and more fully knowing and loving our God through it. The great differences among campers and staff help all of us learn to appreciate and celebrate our diversity as we recognize our common ground.

Camper applications are now being accepted!

STILL NEEDED:

Buddy campers are rising 9th-12th graders who help campers with special needs enjoy all aspects of a typical summer camp experience. Buddy campers arrive on Saturday, July 6, to be trained to work with campers with special needs, who arrive on Monday, July 8.

[Buddy camper application](#)

Staff must have completed their first year of college and are expected to stay in cabins with campers, as well as serve on one of the following teams: camp life, worship, activities or program. Before camp, there is a mandatory Zoom meeting with the entire staff, as well as individual meetings with the team you have been assigned. Staff earn a stipend for their work.

[Staff application](#)

Camper applications will be available at a later date.

2024 Dates for Introduction to Dismantling Racism

The 2024 dates and registration links are now available for "[Introduction to Dismantling Racism: Reclaiming Our Baptismal Promise](#)." Dismantling Racism is an interactive workshop offered via Zoom. It is designed to deepen spiritual commitment to dismantling racism as participants in the Jesus Movement. Through presentations, prayer, story sharing, videos and small group discussion, participants explore how the sin of racism impacts all lives.

2024 training dates:

- June 21, 5-8 p.m., and June 22, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. [Register](#).
- July 26, 5-8 p.m., and July 27, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. [Register](#).
- September 27, 5-8 p.m., and September 28, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. [Register](#).