

# ST AIDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 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 ushers, or by contacting the church office, or by add petitions and thanksgivings silently or aloud at designated times.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**Adult Forum:** 9:15—9:45 a.m.

### ADULT FORUM

Exploring Contemporary Subjects and Topical Issues through a Biblical Lens

Letting the Bible speak to us about contemporary topics and how to navigate them with faith and faithfulness. In a group setting with honesty and grace.

Sunday mornings,  
9:15—9:45 a.m.

### NEWCOMERS CLASSES

New or newish to St Aidan's?

Consider signing up for our newcomers class.

Sunday nights, 4pm,

May 3, 17, 31, June 7

Sign up in Dietel Hall.

### SUMMER FESTIVAL KICK-OFF DINNER:

May 7, 2026 — 5:30 p.m.

## Ministry Leaders at St. Aidan's

**JESUS CHRIST**, HEAD OF THE CHURCH

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**Jeffrey P. Maxwell**, Treasurer

## 8 o'clock—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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

The Easter Acclamation	BPC 323
The Collect for Purity	BPC 323
The Summary of the Law	BPC 324
The Gloria	BCP 324
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<i>Announcements; Birthdays, Anniversaries, Travel prayers</i>	
The Offertory	
The Presentation	
Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord.	
People: <b>And of thine own have we given thee.</b>	
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 Dismissal	

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life:  
Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to  
be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may  
steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to  
eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy  
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever . **Amen.**

### THE FIRST LESSON:

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

### THE RESPONSE: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me\*  
for you are my tower of strength.

Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O Lord, O God of truth.

My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me.

### THE SECOND LESSON:

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be

a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will  
not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

### THE GOSPEL

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that

I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

### 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 **Judy Trammell, Bill Poindexter, Ray Riches, Don Perry, Cooper Kline,**

**Chris Clark, Thomas Semkow, Robert Semkow, Barbara Brooks, Patty Clark, Crystal Colombo, Carri Williams, Jessica Larsen, Bob Stevens, Arra Morrison, Rodger Larsen, 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, especially **Phil Lewis**; 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.



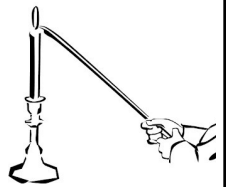
**ALTAR SERVERS**

**8:00 AM**

Lector  
Chalice Bearer  
Acolyte  
Usher

**May 3**

JoAnn Moffett  
Ann Morgan  
Jim Miller  
Kathy Hosley



ALTAR GUILD

Judy Bingay, Gayle Thomas, Candi Bialon

FLOWER GUILD

Mary McConnaughey (Next Week: Marilyn R.)

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Today's Altar Flowers were given by

Freda McKeown

In Memory and Honor of

Bruce McKeown  
&  
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**BIRTHDAYS**

Nic Whitaker,  
*May 6*



**ANNIVERSARIES**

Michael & Micki-Jo  
Palmer, *May 3*



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