# The Canticle

#### Christ the King Episcopal Church, 6490 Carr Street, Arvada, CO 80004



### **Outdoor Worship Resumes on August 23**

We held our first on-site service last month, with 23

people attending. It was clear, though, from the rising number of coronoavirus cases, that we could not continue to do so—at least



until the rates of infections in both Jefferson and Adams Counties dropped significantly. So we took a step back

and we waited until the incidence rates in both counties drop to the levels where they were at the beginning of July.

Fortunately, those rates have declined sufficiently so that we can resume outdoor services once again. Beginning August 23, our schedule will be as follows:

**9:00** am Morning Prayer on site, with a maximum of 30 people present so that we can maintain adequate social distancing—and still be in the shade! You will need to sign up to attend, either online or by calling the office (303-424-5288); an invitation will be sent out at least 10 days in advance. Masks will be required for the entire time that you are on the Christ the King grounds, and we also ask that you bring your own chairs.

**10:15 am Morning Prayer on Zoom** for those who would prefer to remain at home can do so. Updated links and phone numbers will be sent out as needed.

Once again, we remind you that should the incidence rates begin to increase, we will need to return to online services until it is safe to gather. The Vestry will begin planning for indoor services in August; please contact <u>Rev. Becky</u> or <u>Bob Mickelson</u> if you would like to assist in this work.



## Open Offering for August Peck Elementary School

This year, the beginning of school will be a lot different for the students at Peck Elementary School. All grades will begin with remote learning for the first week, and then have a week for in-person orientation

to help students get used to seeing teachers (and other students) in masks, to practice social distancing, and remember to wash their hands frequently. Full inperson learning will begin on September 8.

Not surprisingly, no school has budgeted for the additional supplies needed to keep everyone safe during a pandemic. This year, our August open offering will be directed toward helping Peck to cover the expenses they incur from operating at this time. Your contributions will be most appreciated.

### August -September 2020

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#### **CTK Vision Statement:**

We believe that God is calling Christ the King to create a spiritual home where

- \* We center ourselves in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
- \* We build connections among our members and our neighbors, and
- \* We join with our neighbors in caring for our community and God's world.

#### **Worship Services**

August 16 Sundays, Morning Prayer 9:30am - via Zoom

Beginning August 23 9:00am - Outdooor Service (Reservation required) 10:15am Morning Prayer, via Zoom

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#### Deadline:

Please submit articles by the 15th of the prior month.

Website: www.ctkarvada.org

Check us out on Facebook!

We're also on YouTube!

#### Open Offering for September Relief for Beirut

In the aftermath of the devastating explosion that caused widespread damage across Beirut, Lebanon, on Aug. 4, Episcopalians are reaching out to their Anglican counterparts in the region to assess their needs and offer assistance. The explosion, which killed at least 135 people, injured more than 3,000 and left 300,000 homeless, leveled much of the city's port when a fire ignited a massive amount of explosives that had been warehoused there for six years. All Saints Church, located a mile from the explosion, also suffered damage.

The explosion dealt a crippling blow to a country already suffering from the simultaneous disasters of COVID-19 and a catastrophic economic collapse. In recent weeks, food shortages, power outages and violent protests against government corruption and mismanagement have been the norm.

The Most Rev. Suheil Dawani, archbishop of the Diocese of Jerusalem, is asking international partners for relief funds to repair All Saints Church and the Anglican Center, "but also to engage in a larger outreach effort to those members of the communities in Beirut most stricken by this tragedy." All Saints, being close to the blast but relatively unscathed, might be well positioned to help with relief efforts, Dawani said. Your Open Offering contributions will be sent to the American Friends of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem, which is coordinating this appeal. For a video of what it was like on the ground during the explosion, go to:

 $\underline{https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2020/08/06/episcopalians-anglicans-organize-relief-efforts-after-catastrophic-explosion-in-beirut/}$ 



### **New Drinking Fountain Installed**

Earlier this summer, one of our "mowers" came into the building to refill his water bottle at the drinking fountain and—to his surprise and everyone else's—the water wouldn't stop running! After 55 or 60 years of use, something wore out. Go figure.

In researching options to replace the old fountain, Dave Burry came up on this model that also has a spout to refill bottles. It took a lot of extra work—bracing the wall to support the cooler, reconfiguring the pipes to make the new connection—but it has all happened and the drinking fountain is fully operational. Hopefully, we will soon be able to actually use it.

## Bible Study on Ruth Tuesdays, beginning August 18, 2:00pm

We will be reading through the Letter of Jude before beginning our study of the Book of Ruth. No preparation is necessary; we will read the text together when we meet by Zoom; a link is available through the weekly <u>eCanticle</u> (click to sign up) or by contacting the church office.

### Next Conversation on Racial Justice Tuesday, August 18, 7:00pm (Zoom)

Over the past two months, a group of up to 20 people have decided that they want to gain a better understanding of both the impact of racial injustice in this country and how it is and has been sustained over time. Over the past six weeks, those participating have been reading extensively from black and Indigenous authors and discovering the ways in which

we have, unknowingly, been a part of sustaining a system of racial injustice in this country.

Beth Hester described her experience this way:

"I have really been enjoying participating in the zoom meetings to discuss racial justice. We are having authentic and safe conversations about our personal experiences. Because of these, I have grown to know and trust members of the CTK community that I didn't know before. We have such wise folks in our church family! And, many of them have had rich life experiences, which I now get to learn from. Now I feel more brave about having conversations about racial injustice, both at work and home. And I am reading and listening to the voices of people of color, to learn and understand what their lives are like. I highly recommend folks joining our upcoming meetings and book studies!"

These thoughts come from Karen and Steve Barritt:

"For the past several weeks Steve and I have been engaged in the parish sponsored **Conversations on Racial Justice** via Zoom. We have learned so much from one another by listening to personal stories, exchanging sources of learning and gathering information, and thoughtfully exploring ways we can participate in moving forward to assure that 'liberty and justice for all' means what it says. I am deeply grateful to everyone in the group who has opened hearts and minds to participate in this meaningful exchange. This group has given me real hope for the future of our divided country."

Merri Crawford also shared her reflections about our conversations:

I am enjoying the Racial Justice Zoom meetings our group has been doing since the death of George Floyd. Growing up in NC during segregation, I have been concerned about racial justice since I was a little girl. I heard Martin Luther King Jr.'s I have a Dream speech as a very young girl and his idea of the beloved community was my dream-- to be able to join hands. My childhood church talked about love and the Good Samaritan so I knew inside that the racism I saw in my town was not ok. But my church never talked about that directly. In our group here at Christ the King, I feel that I am able to talk more freely and listen to others' stories. We have built up a sense of trust in this group, a deeper trust than one can really find during coffee hour. Through this group, I feel closer to my church and the people in the group. Thanks to this group, my church and its community has become more important to me and touches me on a deeper level.

We have become aware of several books that help us to further our knowledge of the systemic nature of racism, including Isabelle Wilkerson's new book, *Caste*. The Pulitzer Prize—winning, bestselling author of *The Warmth of Other Suns* examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions. In September, a group of us will offer a three-week adult discussion program for the entire congregation entitled "Becoming the Beloved Community." See page 4 for more details.



### Men's Bible Study Wednesday August 19, 8:00 till 10:00am

As long as we are "Safer at Home," we are meeting twice a month on the first and third Wednesday of the month via Zoom. We continue reading from the book *Was God on Vacation?* by Jack van der Geest, Chapter 16 "Battle to Holland." Please let Tom Scholle if you plan to attend.

### Book Study Continues Wednesdays, August 19, 1:30pm

Currently, we are reading *The Book of Longings*, by Sue Monk Kidd. Grounded in meticulous research and written with a reverential approach to Jesus's life that focuses on his humanity, *The Book of Longings* is an inspiring, unforgettable account of one woman's bold struggle to realize the passion and potential inside her, while living in a time, place and culture devised to silence her. Our discussion of this book began on August 12.

## Climate Care Group Reconvenes Thursday, August 27, 6:30pm

The Climate Care Group has been faithfully tending the replanted memorial garden, and the flowers are starting to fill in the empty space. Now, we will turn our attention to another project.

This year's Diocesan convention will be held online, rather than in person, and the Diocesan Climate Care team is putting together a "virtual booth" for people to visit. As one of the options, we'd like to offer some opportunities for meditation. We'll be choosing readings—short prose pieces or poems—that help us to focus on why this is important work, and we're also looking for pictures to show during a reading or as part of a slide show with music.

Our Climate Care group will assist in developing this project—and we'll make it available on our website and Facebook pages when we're done. We'll also be thinking about other ways to raise awareness of the need to care for our climate.

#### Becoming Beloved Community Wednesdays, September 16, 23, 30, 7:00p.m. (Zoom)

Much of the work we have done within our Conversations on Racial Justice has centered on personal experience and a variety of social justice resources, such as the book *Caste*. A couple of people expressed interest in exploring the faith foundations for addressing racial injustice; fortunately, we discovered an easily accessible resource.

In late July, the national church offered this three-part webinar, and over 1,700 people from across the nation participated, along with members of our own Conversations on Racism. The one-hour video presentations from this webinar are now available, and Christ the King will be offering these videos as a special adult education opportunity. Each video has its own theme: Truth, Justice, and Healing. Following each presentation, we will have a time for discussion. The Zoom link will be sent out through the weekly update on September 10.

## Visit from Cathy Donohue Sunday, September 27

For many years, we have supported Cathy Donohue's work as a missionary in the Dominican Republic. Cathy went first to offer her gifts as a physical therapist, but eventually went on to teaching others to do this important work of healing. And during her time there, Cathy became an active part of her community and found a number of different ways to assist those around her. Most recently, she developed a building program to help restore homes following the devastation of the 2017 hurricane season.

Cathy recently decided to return to Colorado to care for her parents. We look forward to welcoming her—either in person or by Zoom—and to hear of other ways we might support the work she began.

## **Clergy Letter**

### **Giving Thanks**

### Dear people of God,

The month of July totally disappeared for me as I was in Green Bay, first caring for my mother and then spending time with family members as we all started coming to terms with my mother's death. Many of you have already gone through this process, but as you well know, it is a tiring one—physically, emotionally, and spiritually. I am very grateful to you for your support during this time, for your prayers and your cards, and for all who stepped in to take care of business while I was gone: Bob Mickelson, Jessica Starbird, and Ros Patterson: the folks who assisted with worship: Rob Jones, Mark Molello, Michelle Bredine, Jessica Starbird, and Diane Mickelson; and Rachel and Dan Mondragon, for guiding the Conversations on Racism. And as a precautionary measure after my travel, I did have the tests for Covid 19; both came back negative.

One of the very human tendencies we have during times such as these is to focus on what is wrong or missing from our lives. We tend to save our thanksgivings for those moments when something wonderful—either expected or unexpected—happens to us. This expression of thanks, of gratitude, is almost involuntary. But spiritual guides from the apostle Paul to Anne Lamott tell us that giving thanks is also a critical spiritual discipline, especially when we are facing fear and uncertainty.

We know, for example, that the early Christian communities faced oppression and even violence during the time that Paul was writing. Yet he urges the church in Philippi to "Rejoice in the Lord always ... Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:4-6) And in closing his first letter to the Thessalonians, he writes, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances ..." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18a).

#### Lamott reminds us that

"'Thanks' is a huge mind-shift, from thinking that God wants our happy chatter and a public demonstration and is deeply interested in our opinions of the people we hate, to feeling quiet gratitude, humbly and amazingly, without shame at have been so blessed ... When we go from rashy and clenched to grateful, we sometimes get to note the experience of grace, in knowing that we could not have gotten ourselves from where we were stuck ... to freedom. The movement of grace in our lives toward freedom is the mystery. So we simply say 'Thanks.'"

From Help, Thanks, Wow, p. 60-61

These past five months have challenging in ways none of us could have imagined. Yet, in spite of our physical separation, we are still very much together as community—and we are growing in new and important ways. We have come to know one another better and have discovered gifts that were previously hidden or unused. We are starting to reexamine how we carry out our ministry and even what our community might be called to become. In so many ways, this community is rising to the challenges of this moment. And for all of this, we can give thanks.

In God's peace,



## Worship and Music

## Outdoor Worship Resumes Sunday, August 23, 9:00am

Thanks to all of you who were able to join us for our "test run" at outdoor worship, and for your cooperation as we practiced this new way of being together. Since the rates for new infections have decreased, we will be offering this outdoor service again. Please be aware, however, that should infection rates increase once again, we will need to return to only online worship.

As before, the following guidelines will be in place:

- Make your reservation by Wednesday either through the online link or by calling the church office (Limit 30)
- ♦ Stay home if feeling sick
- Wear a protective face mask at all times.
- Maintain at least 6 feet of distance between self and any other non-family member person.
- Bring your own chairs (additional, sanitized chairs will be available, if needed)
- Sit only in the designated areas. To guide you in placing your chairs, small bags with beans will be spread out in the seating area; chairs are to be placed over the bean bags.
- Use the bathrooms located directly adjacent to the narthex.
- Notify the Rector or Sr. Warden if one is diagnosed with COVID-19.

Above all, we ask that you recognize your responsibility to help keep other members of our community safe when gather-

ing for worship. We will need to record who is present, so that in case of an infection we can assist with contact tracing. If you are diagnosed with COVID 19, please let us know as soon as possible. As awkward as this seems, it is truly the only way we can safely begin to worship together again.

#### Online Worship Continues Sunday Morning Prayer, 10:15 a.m.

We will continue to offer Morning Prayer through Zoom on Sundays for the foreseeable future, for we know that many folks will be hesitant to gather, even with our safety protocols in place. We will, though, need to change the time so we can hold our on-site service in the shade.

Many thanks to Andi and Jeff Smith and Michelle Bredine, who have provided music for the online service, which has added so much to our services. And remember, if you miss a service, we post these each week on YouTube, glitches and all. Please be sure to contact the <u>church office</u> if you need the "Zoom" link.

#### Handbell and Vocal Choir Hold Zoom Meetings

Keeping in touch with one another is hard during these times—and so is planning for what might come next! Members of our choirs are meeting every other week; please check the calendars on pages 11 and 12 for dates and times.

## Faith Formation

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## **Welcoming Visitors and Newcomers**

lospitality

As we begin to offer worship services again here at Christ the King, we will need to think about how we will welcome visitors—on Sunday morning and beyond. For the next couple of months, we will not be holding coffee hour, so other forms of "socially distanced contact" will be important. The Welcome Bags that Linda Palmer has been preparing also need to be updated and we will need help in doing so—both in deciding on the content and preparing those materials. Please contact the church office if you can assist with this work.

#### The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch has been postponed until we can safely gather again.

#### Ladies' Bunco

The Ladies' Bunco is postponed until we can safely gather again.

## **Caring Connections**

#### Crafters of the King Mondays, August 17, September 21 10:00am - 12:00noon

The Crafters of the King meet each month to share a time of supportive fellowship, while working on their individual projects. These may be a personal project or something to be shared, such as prayer shawls for the church, or hats and scarves for the folks who come to The Rising Day Center. At a recent meeting, Crafters noted the need for more Prayer Shawls.

Our meetings in August and September will be held by Zoom; please contact the <u>church office</u> if you need the link.

#### St. Clare's Table Tuesday, September 8, 5:00 p.m.

Each month, the Church of Christ the King prepares and serves dinner for about 80 people at St. Clare's Table, located at the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Mary in Denver. In September, we will again be preparing food at CTK, putting it in plastic bags, and taking it to St. Clare's for distribution. To help, please contact Mark Molello.

#### Breakfast at the Rising Day Center and the Neighborhood Dinner

During the ongoing health crisis, we will not be serving breakfast at the Rising or the Neighborhood Dinner.

## Parish Life

## Vestry Highlights July, 2020

#### **July 7 Meeting**

• The Vestry met outdoors at the church to plan the details for our outdoor service. The setup group decided to meet on Saturday, July 25, at 9:00am, clarify the arrangement, and test the sound equipment.

#### **July 21 Meeting**

- *Finance Committee:* Bob DeLong reported that the audit committee has begun to work. The application for the Payroll Protection Program has been approved; the bank will begin accepting applications for forgiveness in August.
- Treasurer's Report: Bob Delong reported that both Unrestricted Pledges and Unrestricted giving were above budget, though some expenses may be underreported. This resulted in a net revenue over expenses of \$. The coronavirus pandemic has negatively impacted the stock market and our Endowment Fund; some recovery is expected by the end of the quarter (June 30).
- Bob Mickelson updated us on the plans for installing the water cooler. He is also coordinating the "mowing and trimming crew" of Bob DeLong, Frank Hester, and Mark Molello.

#### Actions taken:

♦ Approved Bob DeLong and Barbara Jennings as delegates to Diocesan Convention

Next meeting: August 25, 7:00pm, by Zoom

Treasurer's Reports
June 2020

Total Ordinary Revenue (June 2020)

\$26,676

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Total Expense (June, 2020)	\$14,025	
Net Ordinary Income (June, 2020)	\$12,651	
Total Year-to-Date Revenue	\$105,052*	*Reflects Endowment Fund loss of \$7,350
Total Year-to-Date Expense	100,335	
Net Ordinary Income:	\$ 4,718	
	July, 2020	
Total Ordinary Revenue (July,2020)	\$16,706	
Total Expense (July, 2020)	20,833**	**Reflects back payments to Diocese
Net Ordinary Income (June, 2020)	\$(4,127)	
Total Year-to-Date Revenue	\$127,972*	*Reflects Endowment Fund loss of \$
Total Year-to-Date Expense	<u>121,167</u>	
Net Ordinary Income:	\$ 6,805	

### Property (Fixers and Tenders) Saturday, September 12, 8:30am



Fixers and Tenders provide basic maintenance and repair to our building and grounds; extensive experience or expertise is not a prerequisite! We are continuing to care for our grounds during the summer, please be sure to wear your mask! Your help is very much appreciated.

#### Other Ways to Help

The growing season may be slowing, but it has stopped yet and our grounds can still use your tender, loving care. Come by yourself to spend some quiet time or gather a small group to join you. It's a great way to enjoy being outside safely with other members of CTK,, and our gardens and plants will thank you. Weeds can be tossed into the dumpster.

#### Thank You.... Thank You ... Thank You ...

- .... To Jeff Smith, Phil Goodman, Linda Palmer, Bob DeLong, Bob Mickelson, and Andi Smith, who assisted with preparing our outdoor worship space.
  - .... To Frank Hester, Mark Molello, Bob DeLong and Bob Mickelson, who continue to care for our grounds by mowing grass and trimming bushes.
- .... To Dave Burry, for overseeing the installation of our new water cooler.
  - .... To Michelle Bredine, Mark Molello and Rob Jones, who officiated at Morning Prayer while Rev. Becky was visiting her mother.
- .... To Diane Mickelson and Jessica Starbird, for continuing to host our worship services.
  - .... To all of you who are making phone calls, sending cards, and otherwise keeping in touch with one another.
- .... To the readers, MC's, and intercessors who continue to help with our online worship services
  - .... To Arras Martin, for her ongoing attention to the flower garden along the play area.
- .... To Chris Foster, for her efforts to tame some of the weeds in our garden areas.
  - .... To the members of the Climate Care Team who have continued to tend our restored memorial garden.



#### **Readings for August and September**

August 23 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 16)

Isaiah 51:1-6 Romans 12:1-8 Psalm 138 Matthew 16:13-20

August 30 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 17)

Jeremiah 15:15-21 Romans 12:9-21 Psalm 26:1-8 Matthew 16:21-28

September 6, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18)

Ezekiel 33:7-11 Romans 13:8-14 Psalm 119:33-40 Matthew 18:15-20

September 13, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19)

Genesis 50:15-21 Romans 14:1-12 Psalm 103:8-13 Matthew 18:21-35

September 20, Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 20)

Jonah 3:10-4:11 Philippians 1:21-30 Psalm 145:1-8 Matthew 20:1-16

September 27, Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 21)

Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32 Philippians 2:1-13 Psalm 25:1-8 Matthew 21:23-32

### Yes, You Can Buy Gift Cards!



Even though we are not gathering, you can still

order gift cards from Scrip and help the church. There are several ways to do this:

- Open your own account by enrolling online; the process is simple. You can order cards and pay for them either with a charge card or a direct withdrawal from your bank. E-cards go directly to your email; physical cards can be picked up at the church on July 30.
   Here's the link; use enrollment code 23D7D74L55288 to create an account and get started.
- 2. Cards can be order the "usual" way, with a check for payment, on Sunday, August 23, and picked up on August 30.

Want a quick overview of the online process? Check out the <u>Ordering Guide</u> today!

#### August and September Birthdays

We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of life. And we thank you especially for bestowing this gift upon these, your people. Guard them, protect them, uphold them and strengthen them for your service. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Linda Palmer	August 4
Pat Barker	August 7
Daniel Ohamaka	August 12
Jim Savage	August 16
Rebecca Brown	August 20
Jeneene Lowe	August 20
Merri Crawford	August 21
David Hatfield	August 21
Rachel Mondragon	August 22
Sharon DeLong	August 25
Katherine Fendel	August 28

Dan Thomas	September 6
Melissa Powell	September 7
Tom Scholle	September 8
Michelle Bredine	September 10
Kaela Bredine	September 14
Nora Richard	September 17
Elizabeth Ann Allan	September 19
Patrice Mondragon	September 28
Robert Jones	September 30

#### **August and September Anniversaries**

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the gift of love, especially the love that is shared between two people in marriage. Pour your grace upon them, O Lord, that they may be strengthened and sustained in the covenant they share. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Jim & Cathy Atkinson	August 3
Judith & Ken Amidon,	August 5
Christian & Tabitha Tagne	August 7
Warren & Peggy Broderick,	August 12
Rob & Jamie Webb	August 22
Robin & Stephanie Elliott	August 23
Merri Crawford & Glenn Pladsen	August 25
Michelle & Dave Bredine,	August 29
Kit & Mary Jo Ryan	August 30

Barritt, Steve & Karen September 4

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## **Beyond Our Walls**

#### **Request from Hands of the Carpenter**

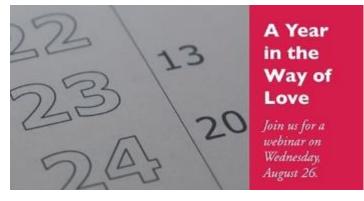
Looking for a way to support a local organization that's helping single women with transportation? You can consider donating your car to Hands of the Carpenter and the Good Neighbor Garage If it's still in usable condition—or needs only minor repairs, they will pass the car on to a woman who needs it. If not, the car can be sold for parts.



Click here for a <u>brief, informational video</u> about Hands of the Carpenter, the Good Neighbor Garage, and the women they serve.

## Vigil for a Better Arvada Mondays, 4:30 – 6:00pm, in front of City Hall

What started as an impromptu gathering of people from Arvada following the death of George Floyd, has now become a regular event. Each Monday, for one hour, folks are invited to share their support for a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive Arvada by standing in front of City Hall to greet motorists as they pass by. A variety of signs are available for participants to hold, including "Black Lives Matter," "End Racism" and "No Justice No Peace/Know Justice, Know Peace." Many thanks to Dan and Rachel Mondragon, for alerting us to this opportunity; you can keep up by joining the Facebook group, Arvadans for Social Justice.



Amid a rapidly changing and turbulent world, we can lose sight of so much. Long-established traditions can be lost or changed seemingly overnight; our ability to take solace in familiar patterns and communal care can be upended. When we begin wondering why we are here and what we as the church can do, we might return to the most basic building blocks of our faith.

We at The Episcopal Church invite you, your small group, and your congregation to a year (and longer!) of focusing on the Way of Love. When you begin intentionally building on

those seven practices - turn, learn, pray, worship, bless, go, and rest - you can rediscover who you are, what we are here for, and to whom we ultimately belong.

To register for this Zoom meeting, click here; you will receive a confirmation email.

### Curious about what is happening around the Episcopal Church?

You can get a complete list of special learning opportunities at https://episcopalcolorado.org/connect-with-us/diocesan-digest/. You can also signup for weekly updates or check out the Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/EpiscopalCO/. For information about the wider church, go to https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/.

## August 2020

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