



ST. COLUMBA'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CONNECTIONS

August 25, 2024

Service Times:

8 am in the Nave

9:15 am Wee Worship in the Nave

10:30 am in the Nave

Sunday Bible, Coffee & Conversation at 9:30 am
in-person in room 212 and on Zoom. All are welcome.

Healing Prayer is available at 10:30 am service during Communion
in both St. Aiden's Chapel and the Nave on the 42nd Street side.

Backpack Blessing Today!

We will bless backpacks, learners, and teachers at both 9:15am Wee Worship and 10:30am.

Also stop by and say hello on the first day of school, August 26.

St. C's staff will be on the corner to send you into the school year!



Can We Pray For you?

Submit a Prayer Request

If you feel comfortable submitting a form, visit:
Columba.org/pray-for-me

Receiving Healing Prayer

Healing Prayer Ministers can pray with you on second and fourth Sundays during communion

Pastoral Care

If you need to speak to someone directly, email: pastoral@columba.org or please call 202-669-4856

Please keep in prayer:

Jack, Clarion, Mark, Beverly Hudnut, Ellyce Butuyan, Donna Beecroft, Ron Wisor Sr., John, Eric Cathcart, Susan Ruth, Dave, Anona Fowler, Gail and Fred Warnecke, Laura Ivers; for the people of Ukraine, Palestine and Israel, Haiti, Sudan, and for all those whose lives are torn apart by war and violence

Thanksgiving for:

Our Vestry and their work on the search for our next Rector, and our Property Committee, cleaning staff, and those who tend our grounds

Those who have died:

Kenneth Orski

Upcoming funerals:

<https://www.columba.org/upcoming-funerals/>

Registration for 2024-2025 Children and Youth Sunday School and Choirs

The Family Ministry and Music teams have already been planning for next year. Register now before August gets too busy!



Beginning September 8
service times will be:

8 am, 9 am, 11:15 am in
the Nave

Wee Worship at 9:15 am
in the Great Hall

Rector Search Update

In early August, our search for a new rector entered a new phase. We are now actively seeking and receiving applications. Our rector job description is now published on a number of websites - Episcopal News Services, Episcopal Diocese of Washington, and Episcopal Office of Transition Ministry. The Vestry is taking steps to proactively identify potential candidates. If you know someone who might be a potential candidate, please send us an email at rectorsearch@columba.org or contact a member of the Vestry directly. The application review process will begin in September. We anticipate that our new rector will be onboard in late spring or early summer 2025. Plans to celebrate Ledlie's many years of devoted service before he retires in early March 2025 will be forthcoming!

For information about the rector search, including the rector job description, visit Columba.org/rector

Are you new? Welcome!

Contact Courtney Hundley
Minister for Member Engagement
chundley@columba.org
for info on how to get involved!

Giving Questions

Contact Heather Beck
Director of Stewardship and Development
Hbeck@columba.org

Scan the QR code to give now!



Daytime Singers

Thursday, September 5th 11:00am

Singing together lessens anxiety, stimulates memory, increases lung capacity, promotes social bonding, and builds a sense of belonging and joy. It "fosters trust, cooperation, and social cohesion" while supporting "total growth of the human being."

Beginning September 5, St. Columba's will offer Daytime Singers on Thursdays from 11am - noon. The group will focus on the benefits and joy of singing through warm-ups, breathing exercises, group vocal techniques, songs, and anthems. It is open to the parish and community, and welcomes singers of all abilities.

Work from home? Take an hour from your day to experience the benefits of group singing. Kids in school? Connect with a community of singers to share a little joy before pick-up. Have free time on a weekday morning? Join your voice with others who love to sing. Please contact Anne Timpane, Director of Music Ministries, atimpane@columba.org to express your interest in Daytime Singers or for more information about this new group.

Come Sing with the Adult Choirs!

Thursday September 5th 7:30pm

Music is an integral part of both worship and community life here at St. Columba's, and we'd love to welcome you to our group of dedicated singers who lead the music on Sundays. St. Columba Singers enjoy singing and worshiping together, share music from a variety of sacred styles, and include singers of all levels from the parish and community. The choir sings each Sunday at the 11:15 am service and rehearses in person or on Zoom Thursday evenings, 7:30-9 pm. Celtic Choir is our group of adult singers who help support the choirs and congregation at the 9 am service. They rehearse in the Music Room on Sundays from 10:10-10:30 am.

To join one of our choirs, or for more information, please contact Anne Timpane atimpane@columba.org

Mother's Group Potluck

Thursday, September 12th 6:30 pm

Bring something to share and join us for fellowship with other moms as the school and program year get underway! We will meet in the courtyard (rain location room 212).

Looking Ahead

Announcing St. Columba's 2024 Nominating Committee

This year's Nominating Committee is at work identifying parishioners to fill three vestry seats and two alternate diocesan delegates. Vestry members Sarah Griffin and Keri Piester co-chair this Committee and include the following parishioners: Karen Abrams, Lauren Counts, Andrew Davis, Matthew Huggins, Joe Kolar, Lindsay McCombs, Joel Ruhter, and Carolyne Starek. If you would like to suggest a candidate who is a faithful and engaged member of St. Columba's, please reach out to any of the Committee members. We are additionally interested in candidates who have financial, communications, or fundraising skills and experience. You can contact the co-chairs via email at sjg86@georgetown.edu (Sarah Griffin) or keri.piester@gmail.com (Keri Piester).

High School Fall Pilgrimage to Delaware

On September 28-29, 9th-12th graders are invited to this year's fall pilgrimage in Delaware! They will be staying at Memorial House, an Episcopal retreat center. It will be a time for rest, laughter, fellowship and so much more. Scan the QR code to register.



Save the Dates for Adult Confirmation and Reception

Bp. Mariann Budde will join us on November 17! We will have Confirmations and Receptions to the Episcopal Church as part of her visit. Adults who are interested in confirmation or in being received should plan to attend Confirmation Classes on Sundays 10/13, 10/20, and 10/27 at 12:30pm. Anyone interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church is welcome to attend as well. Contact Adelyn (atyler-williams@columba.org) for more information.



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