



ST. COLUMBA'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CONNECTIONS

November 3, 2024

Service Times:

8 am, 9 am and 11:15 in the Nave
9:15 am Wee Worship in the Great Hall

Sunday Bible, Coffee & Conversation 10:15 am in-person in room 212 and on Zoom. All are welcome.

All Faithful Departed Service

5:00pm A service for remembering our loved ones who have died

Adult Forum in the Nave 10:15 am

Saints of St. Columba's

In celebration of All Saints Day and our 150th Anniversary, come learn stories of some of the saints in our community.



Mark your Calendar for a Visit from Bishop Budde on November 17!

On November 17th we will welcome Bishop Budde! She will be at ALL services. In light of this special visit, we will welcome the Wee Worship community at the 9am service (in the nave) to ensure all may have a chance to welcome her. The service will start at 9:15. There will be an abundance of great music beforehand starting at 9am.

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, John, Mary, Francesca, Christy Bemis, Fran, Walt; for the people of Ukraine, Russia, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, Haiti, Sudan, and for all those whose lives are torn apart by war and violence

Thanksgiving for:

The Baptisms of Sydney Holloway, Luke Holloway, Ella Donohue, and Matt Averro-Sturm

Those who have died:

Jody Schwarz, Arline Heimert, Jeff Tienken, Joyce Smith

Upcoming funerals:

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

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!



Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, November 10th 10:15 am

Join us to celebrate parishioner's gifts of ministry, meet the staff, hear updates and plans from the rector, treasurer, and others, elect vestry members and diocesan delegates.

Grief Support Group

Beginning November 6th 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm

Those who have recently lost someone to death are invited to participate in a grief support group that will meet at 7 pm in Room 220 on six Wednesday evenings beginning November 6 and ending December 18. There will be no meeting the week of Thanksgiving.

The meetings will be a time of mutual sharing of stories and reflection on the profound, even sacred, passage one goes through when a loved one dies. The facilitators are Marjorie Hale and Courtney Hundley.

Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/GriefGroupsFall2024> or scan the QR code.



Contact Michele Prince, Pastoral Care Coordinator, at mprince@columba.org if you have questions or trouble registering

Prayers for our Nation

Sunday, November 3rd- November 6th

St Columba's

St. C's will have prayer opportunities throughout election week to encourage and help with spiritual grounding and community during this time.

- Monday, November 4th 6:00 pm prayer
- Tuesday, November 5th 5:00 pm-7:00 pm Outdoor Labyrinth walk. Additionally, St. C's will be open for prayer during the day on Tuesday.
- Wednesday, November 6th 6:00pm prayer

Washington Interfaith Network (WIN)

Sunday, November 3rd Washington Interfaith Network Vigil at 5:00 pm. This event is an opportunity for people of all backgrounds, faith traditions, and people who believe in the common good to gather together to reflect, pray, and center ourselves on the values that sustain us amid the uncertainty and pain within our nation and our world. The vigil will be held at Christ Church United Methodist 900 4th St SW Washington, DC 20024.

St. Columba's in Transition

When we first announced Ledlie's intention to retire, we spoke of the importance of a healthy transition. At that time, we did not specify precisely what would constitute a "healthy transition", but this has been the focus of our prayers and efforts in these intervening months.

Read more: <https://www.columba.org/blog/frd-st-columbas-in-transition/>

Upcoming Forums

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Bishop Budde

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Join in conversation with Bishop Mariann Budde of Diocese of Washington who joins us for confirmations.

Wednesdays

Wednesday Night Supper

Please join us for Wednesday Night Supper every Wednesday in the Great Hall. Supper runs from 5:00-6:45pm.

A quick Wednesday Worship Service takes place at 6:00 pm following supper if you wish to attend. Across the year we have a few special Wednesday worship services that begin at 6:00 pm following supper (Blessing of the Animals, St. Nicholas, Epiphany). A weekly 10 minute Evening Prayer (kid friendly!) takes place at 6:00pm on Wednesdays without a special service.

Mysticism class

Wednesdays 6:45pm - 8:00pm Rm 212

Can the limited nature of our language ever truly express what we call "God"? That God is both beyond us and also, somehow, within us is a mysterious claim deeply rooted in two thousand years of Christian writing and practices. God is always known and unknown. Both sown into the very fabric of creation and just beyond our grasp.

Beginning September 11th, after nearly every Wednesday Night Supper, Joshua Daniel will host a small group that will explore tradition. The group will use a collection of texts to orient and launch the discussion - though reading is not required to join. The group will open and close each week by practicing some of the ancient techniques that mystics have used to "know" God (mostly: silent and contemplative prayer!)

Contact Joshua Daniel at jdaniel@columba.org.

Refugee Response

The Refugee Response Ministry would like to draw prayerful attention to two refugee arrivals in the next couple of weeks. The first is the arrival on Oct. 31 of the Mahmoodi family of four from Afghanistan, who will be sponsored by St. Cs to reside in the DC area. We are asking for prayers for their safe arrival.

Water Ministry Thanks You

Thank you, thank you to the many, many people who donated so generously to the Water Ministry's clothing drive! Our cup — or in this case, our clothing bin — literally runneth over with beautiful coats, jackets and all manner of outerwear that will help keep our guests warm and dry this winter. THANK YOU SO MUCH!