



ST. COLUMBA'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CONNECTIONS

October 13, 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.

Healing Prayer is available during Communion at the 9:00 am and
11:15 am liturgies in both St. Aiden's Chapel and the Nave on the 42nd
Street side.

Adult Forum in the Nave 10:15 am

Achieving a Good Death

Whatever your age, gain ease and fluency in talking about death! At this Sunday's Forum, Chris Palmer will speak about his new book *Achieving a Good Death*, a straightforward practical guide to what can be a difficult topic.



Join us on October 19th from 4-6 PM to celebrate St. Columba's 150th with live music, fellowship, refreshments and dancing for all ages. No experience required. It's a great time! We just ask that you RSVP in Realm by OCTOBER 17 so we can be sure to have enough food and drink for all.

Questions? Email 150@columba.org

Announcing our Vestry Candidates

This year's St. Columba's Nominating Committee announces with great enthusiasm the following slate for Vestry and Alternate Diocesan Delegates:

Senior Warden --- Gina Lagomarsino
Junior Warden --- Andrew Marshall

For Vestry for 3 year term:

Jeremiah Williams
Kay Tatum
James Knight
Stephanie O'Keefe

Diocesan Delegate:

Charlotte Lee Jackson
Kristin McNavage
Stacy Notaras Murphy

For Alternate Diocesan Delegate:

Karen Burgess
Sondra Mills

For Vestry:

Farleigh Earhart (to fill remaining term of a former vestry member)

Rector Search Update

The Vestry is fully engaged in the search for our next Rector. The Vestry is being careful, deliberate and prayerful as it seeks to discern who is being called to lead St. C's in the years to come. The rector job description and job posting have been public since early August. Applications are being received and reviewed. Candidates are being interviewed. Importantly, the Vestry is also actively reaching out to potential candidates and exploring with them whether they might be called to lead St. Columba's. Many thanks to parishioners who have referred people to us. If you know someone who could be our next rector, please let us have their name now. The current deadline for receipt of applications is October 15. We are grateful for the support of our wonderful community. If you have comments or questions, email us at rectorsearch@columba.org.

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, Ron Wisor Sr., John, Walt, Ellie Carney, Mary, Ellyce Butuyan, Joyce, Daniel Hafer, Terry Dowd, Sharon Stewart, Francesca, Jody Schwarz, Susan Lewis, Christy Bemis, William Bodurian, Jeff Tienken; for all those impacted by hurricane Helene; 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:

Handbells and Genesis Ringers

Those who have died:

Tomisina Lester, Timothy McIntosh

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!



All Saints/All Souls Remembrance Cards

Beginning October 6th

At All Saints' Day services in the Nave on Sunday, November 3, we will offer a collective prayer for all those we love but see no longer. Submit the name(s) of those you wish to be remembered and blessed using this form:

<https://tinyurl.com/RememberingCard>. Cards will also be available at the usher stations at the back of the church.

Adult Confirmation and Reception

Beginning October 13th 12:30 pm- 2:00 pm

As we look forward to Bishop Mariann Budde's visit on November 17, adults interested in confirmation and reception are invited to attend confirmation classes on Oct. 13, 20, and 27, 12:30-2pm. Learn more and register on [Realm](#) or contact Rev. Adelyn (atylers-williams@columba.org). This class is also open to those who would like to learn more about our Episcopal tradition.

Parents of Young Adults Experiencing Challenges

Tuesday, October 22nd 6:30-8:00 pm

Are you the parent of a young adult between the ages of 22 and 35? Does your young adult live with a chronic illness, disability, mental health or substance use disorder, depression, anxiety or low employment? Are they living in your home? Is it difficult to find joy in your own life? Join this monthly meeting of similarly challenged parents. We share our stories and experiences and offer support (not advice) using time-tested guidelines regarding privacy and shared discussion to create a safe and supportive space. Interested? Please join us! We meet on the 4th Tuesday in Room 202 from 6:30 – 8:00pm.

Upcoming dates: November 19, and December 17. Questions? Contact Michele Prince at mprince@columba.org.

Falling Upward By Richard Rohr Book Study

Beginning Tuesday, October 22nd 6:50-8:00 pm

In *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*, author Richard Rohr invites us to discover how life's "two halves" can work together to lead us to fulfillment and joy. While our culture emphasizes the priorities of life's "first half"-- to cultivate our identity and strive for success and security-- it is in the "second half" that we can move upward toward becoming our True Selves in God. Our "falls" and setbacks in the first half of life can, in the second half, enlarge our perspective and help us to grow spiritually.

Rohr, a Franciscan friar and widely-followed ecumenical teacher, aims in this book to help us discern how we, in a world of division and challenge, can find meaning as the people God has shaped us to be. Deacon David Griswold will lead this twice-monthly study on Zoom beginning Tuesday, October 22, from 6:50 to 8:00 pm. Click [here](#) for a fuller description of the book.

To register or to learn more about the book group, email David at dgriswold@columba.org.

Water Ministry Clothing Drive

Beginning October 6th 8:00 am-1:00 pm

HELP KEEP OUR WATER MINISTRY GUESTS WARM THIS WINTER!

Donate to the Water Ministry 2024 Fall/Winter Clothing Drive Sunday October 6th, 13th and 20th in the Common

Outerwear is our highest priority — specifically (in size L or larger):

- men's or women's coats and jackets
- men's or women's sweaters and warm shirts
- men's or women's warm hats, scarves, and winter gloves

We also seek donations of men's pants and belts (especially size 40 and larger), and sturdy shoes.

Donated clothes should be in good repair, clean and free of stains, of durable fabric and simple style.

For any additional information, please contact Jeff Moore, our Water Ministry Clothing Drive Coordinator: jeffclarkmoore@gmail.com or text 202-257-7251. On behalf of those served by the Water Ministry, thank you so much!

Hurricane Help

Episcopal Relief & Development mobilizes in coordination with local partners to provide assistance to those affected by hurricanes. Please contribute to the [Hurricane Relief Fund](#) to support relief and recovery efforts. If you know anyone or are in need of assistance please contact 1.855.312.4325 info@episcopalrelief.org

Upcoming Forums

Office of Government Relations for the Episcopal Church

Sunday, October 20th 10:15 am

Learn about the Office of Government Relations for the Episcopal Church from Policy Analyst Susie Faria.

Reflections from Ledlie ~ Anglican Geometry

Sunday, October 27th 10:15 am

Ledlie will share reflections from his ministry; email him loughlin@columba.org with your questions. Ledlie will discuss "Anglican geometry: triangles and spectrums in a time of polarity."

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.

End of ministry Liturgy for SCAP

Wednesday, October 23rd at 6:00 pm

Father Mitchell will lead an end of ministry liturgy for SCAP. There will be songs, prayers, and the sermon will be a communal reflection on how Jesus changed our lives through the ministry of SCAP.

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