



GRACE *and* ST. STEPHEN'S  
✦ EPISCOPAL CHURCH ✦

### Grace Notes ~ April 29, 2026

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### **Adult Formation**

We have some thought provoking Adult Formation offerings coming up in the next few weeks!

#### **Wednesday Nights, 6-7pm**

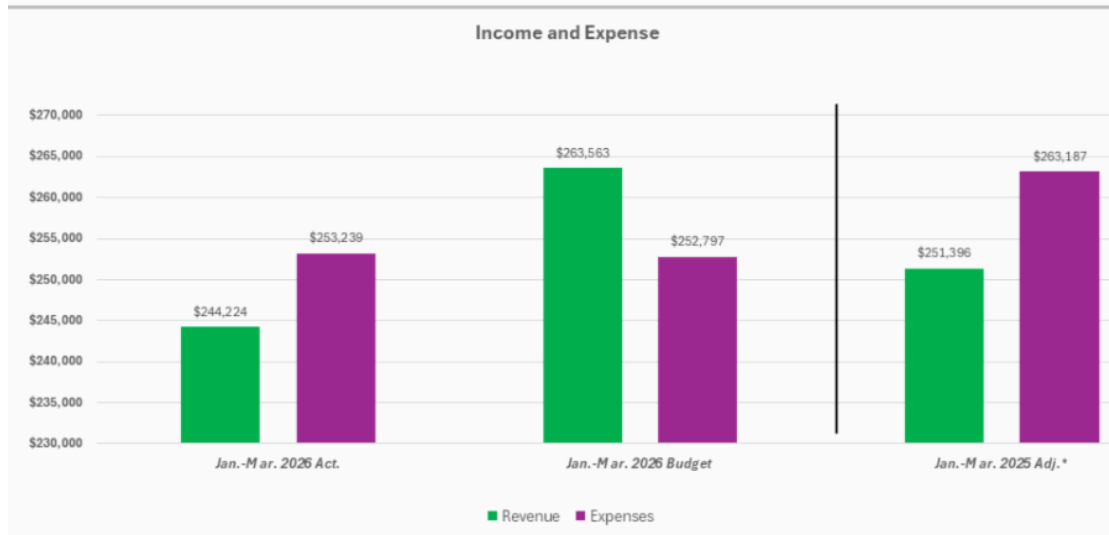
- April 29, May 6, 13 & 20: Exploring the Sunday Liturgy with Fr. Robert

#### **Sunday Mornings, 9:15-10:15am**

- May 3: Anglican Identity: History with Fr. Robert
- May 10: Anglican Identity: The Prayer Book Tradition with Fr. Robert
- May 17: Anglican Identity: Theological Foundations with Fr. Robert
- May 31: Community of Hope Presentation

### **Financial Update from the Treasurer**

## Financial Results January – March 2026



\* Adjustments were made to the 2025 income to allow for a more accurate comparison to 2026. These adjustments reflect the accounting policy changes adopted in 2026 for recognizing prepaid pledges, the removal of a 2024 fund transfer that was recorded in 2025, and the exclusion of discontinued income from the preschool room rental.

## Community Of Hope



### Listen with the ear of your heart.

The first lines of the Prologue from St. Benedict's Rules are: "Listen, O my son, to the instructions of the Teacher, and bring near the ear of your heart. Gladly accept, and carry out in full the counsel of a loving Father, so that you may return through the labor of obedience to the one from whom you have backed away through the idleness of disobedience."

This I know. If I stop for a second and listen to what my heart is telling me, then I am more likely to act in the way of Love. "Listening with the ear of my heart" is a guiding mantra that I use frequently. ~Carol Hurst

## Grace Sowers Seedling Sale Returns – Save the Date! 🌱

A beloved parish tradition is taking root once again! We're delighted to share that the Grace Sowers Seedling Sale is returning this spring after a brief hiatus—and we know many of you have been eagerly waiting for it.

Thanks to the care and dedication of Marty Schneider and Anna Johnson, the garden trugs have been refreshed with new soil and fertilizer and are already being lovingly tended. Planting is scheduled for May 23rd, with the Seedling Sale taking place on Sunday, May 24th in the Parish Hall.



This year's sale will be a bit more modest in size, but just as meaningful. Proceeds from this year's sale will benefit Wild Ones Front Range Chapter, a local initiative that focuses on sharing seeds and promoting sustainable growing practices. In addition, the

Grace Sowers vegetable harvest will continue to support Food to Power, a longtime partner in addressing food insecurity in our community.

The timing of this year's sale is especially fitting, as May 24th falls on Pentecost—a day that echoes the agricultural roots of the Feast of Shavuot, a traditional harvest festival. It's a beautiful reminder of growth, abundance, and shared blessings.

Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just getting started, we hope you'll join us for this joyful and meaningful event. Come browse, connect, and take home something green!

Interested in helping with the garden this summer? We'd love to grow our team of volunteers—stay tuned for more details or reach out to [Anna Johnson](#) to get involved.

Let's grow something good together. 🌿

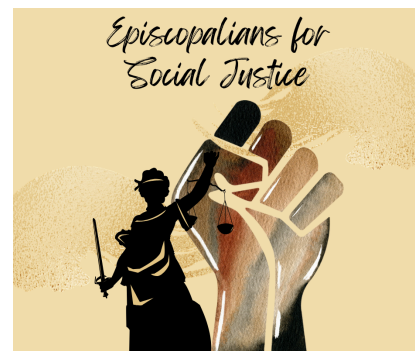
### Youth Sunday - No Children's Chapel this week



We will not have Children's Chapel this Sunday, May 3rd - Youth Sunday. We encourage you to have your children attend the 10:30 service and see all the ways in which our youth are supporting the service this week. Please contact [Sr. Marcella](#) if you have any questions or would like your child to participate in this Sunday's service.

### Episcopalians for Social Justice

Episcopalians for Social Justice has its third general meeting THIS Sunday! Come and be part of building our vision of upholding the dignity of all, especially immigrants and the poor. Agenda includes: community building, organizing training, and advancing our goals within the working groups (Activism/Advocacy, Material Support, Education for Action, Approaching the Diocese).



Sunday, May 3rd from 2 - 4:30pm at St Martin in the Fields, 4740 S. Buckley Road, Aurora, CO. St Martin's is providing a delicious Venezuelan lunch! Gluten free and vegetarian options available.

Questions? Please contact [Helen Hazelton](#) (719) 229-5791

### Realm Update Information Stations - Last Sunday!



Catch us this Sunday! This is the last week we will have staff and volunteers set up in the Parish Hall. We'd love to check in with your family to make sure we have the most up-to-date contact information. If you can't come to the information stations on Sunday, please feel free to give us a call at the office: (719) 328-1125 to chat and confirm your contact details.

## Prayer List

Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer.  
ROMANS 12:12



*Those in crisis of health or circumstance:* Leigh MacHaffie, Al Larson, Scott Larson, KJ Ramsey

*Those celebrating joyfully:* Andrew & Karen Theobald upon the birth of their son, Charles

*Those in need of ongoing prayer:* The Rev. Canon Jon Anderson, Ted Arnn, Laura Bayless, Judy Couchman, Conni Eggers, Eunice Ferguson, Staci Fox, Barb Good, John Hough, Annika Johnson, Maggi Johnson, Sheilah Johnson, Dorothy Kipp, Devon Mack, John McVicker, Debra Millsap, Br. William Marion

Page, Elizabeth Phillips, Ed Quinn, Edie Reichert, Kitty Taylor, Carol Townsley, Jill Wasinger, Pam White, Susan Willet, Henry Velandia, Alice, Jennifer, Nancy, Nick H., Oliver & Family, Piper, Wes

*Those in harm's way:* Mark Jaskot, Frederich Jones, Matthew Lenz, Bill Mack, Rachel Pearson, Adam Tahyar, Nicholas Wolf

## This Week's Happenings

### Wednesday 4/29

- **Holy Eucharist**, 5pm, St. Stephen's Chapel
- **St. Nicholas Choir**, 5pm, Children's Music Rm
- **Communal Supper**, 5:30pm, Parish Hall
- **Exploring the Sunday Liturgy w/Fr. Robert**, 6pm, Parish Hall
- **Men's Book Club**, 6pm, Weir Conference Rm

### Thursday 4/30

- **Morning Prayer**, 9am, on Facebook
- **Centering Prayer**, 11am, Blaik Library

### Friday 5/1

- **Chanted Noonday Prayer**, 12pm, St. Stephen's Chapel

### Saturday 5/2

- **Men's Bible Study**, 8am, Weir Conference Rm

### Sunday 5/3

- **Rite I Holy Eucharist**, 8am, Nave
- **Nursery Available**, 9am -12pm
- **Anglican Identity: History w/Fr. Robert**, 9:15am, Rm 211
- **Rite II Choral Eucharist - Youth & Baccalaureate Sunday**, 10:30am, Nave
- **Sandwich Sunday**, 12pm, Taft Hall
- **Youth Group**, 12pm, Youth Rm (2nd Floor)

### Monday 5/4

- **Noonday Prayer with the Anglican Rosary**, 12pm, St. Stephen's Chapel

### Tuesday 5/5

- **Morning Prayer**, 9am, on Facebook
- **Women's Book Club**, 10am, Blaik Library



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