

#### **OCTOBER**

#### OCTOBER 5

Pre-Convention Workshop #1 | ZOOM \*BUDGET & RESOLUTIONS

#### OCTOBER 6

First Friday Art Show | TRINITY CATHEDRAL, PHOENIX

#### OCTOBER 7

Gather Us In (Cursillo Event) | ST. PAUL'S, PAYSON

#### OCTOBER 9

Indigenous Peoples' Day

#### OCTOBER 12

Pre-Convention Workshop #2 | ZOOM \*CANDIDATE FORUM

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Diocesan Convention Business Meeting | zoom

#### OCTOBER 21

63rd Diocesan Convention In-person Gathering | SAINT BARNABAS ON THE DESERT, PARADISE VALLEY

#### OCTOBER 22

Phoenix Pride Parade

#### OCTOBER 23

Diocesan Office Closed

#### OCTOBER 27

NightSong | MSA ANNEX, TUCSON

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **NOVEMBER 3**

First Friday Art Show | TRINITY CATHEDRAL, PHOENIX

#### NOVEMBER 11

Veterans Day

#### **NOVEMBER 15 – 19**

Monastic Retreat | CHAPEL ROCK

#### **NOVEMBER 17**

Retired Clergy Luncheon | ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS, TUCSON

#### **NOVEMBER 23**

Thanksgiving Day - Diocesan Office Closed

#### **NOVEMBER 24**

Diocesan Office Closed

#### **DECEMBER**

#### DECEMBER 1

First Friday Art Show | TRINITY CATHEDRAL, PHOENIX

#### DECEMBER 25 – JANUARY 1

Diocesan Office Closed

#### DECEMBER 31

Winter Family Camp | CHAPEL ROCK

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

EVERY TUESDAY | Grief Support Group | ST. PHILIP'S IN THE HILLS, TUCSON

EVERY FRIDAY | Veteran's Outreach Luncheon | U.S. VETS, PHOENIX

EVERY FRIDAY | Mark Down's Thrift Store | ST. MARK'S, MESA

EVERY FRIDAY | Food Pantry | ST. LUKE'S, PRESCOTT

EVERY SATURDAY | Bargains Galore & Book Shelf Bookstore | ST. CHRISTOPHER'S, SUN CITY

#### MONTHLY EVENTS

2ND & 4TH TUESDAY | Food Pantry | ST. MARK'S, MESA

2ND & 4TH SATURDAY | Free Food Mobile Pantry | ST. LUKE'S AT THE MOUNTAIN, PHOENIX

LAST WEDNESDAY | Kaitie's Closet Community Clothing Distribution | ST. PAUL'S, PAYSON

2ND THURSDAY | Children & Youth Ministries Check-in | zoom

2ND THURSDAY | Cruzando Fronteras Steering Committee | 200M

3RD THURSDAY | AZ Diocese Borderland Ministry Council Meeting

1ST SATURDAY | Episcopal Church Women (ECW) | ST. THOMAS, CLARKDALE

2ND SATURDAY | Quiet Day | SAINT BARNABAS ON THE DESERT,

#### SCOTTSDALE

3RD SATURDAY | Pet Food Drive | ST. PHILIP'S IN THE HILLS, TUCSON

1ST SUNDAY | Arizona Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians

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BY THE RT REV JENNIFER A REDDALL BISHOP OF ARIZONA

I don't remember learning about Indian Boarding Schools when I was in school. It's certainly possible that there was a paragraph or two in a U.S. History book mentioning them, but it was not one of the parts of our history that I needed to know to successfully take the Advanced Placement exam.

But I know about them now. I know about them because of the stories told by survivors and their descendants, and the work and research of many people to ensure that the sinful acts which stole language, culture, and family relationships away from thousands of Native American children shall no longer go unknown within our larger story as a people and nation. And I know about them because the Episcopal Church has, for the last two decades, started to engage the work of repentance and repair for our role in them as a denomination and as inheritors of wealth and land whose acquisition was assisted by the results of these schools.

We live in faith deeply informed by the traumatic experiences of people as groups and individuals. The People of Israel had a fundamental story of slavery and liberation that shaped their history, worship, and government. We gather at the foot of the cross and worship the Messiah who was executed by the state, and cast our sins—both individual and collective—on the mercy of the God who promises us forgiveness, restoration, healing, and eternal life.

So as hard as it is to hear, or tell, stories of trauma, that is what we do as part of the life of following Jesus. It is why, during my adult life, I have intentionally made pilgrimages to places of violence, from Auschwitz-Birkenau to Birmingham, Alabama; from the Western Wall in Jerusalem to the beaches of Normandy; the slave market in Zanzibar to Tianamen Square in Beijing.

I am deeply grateful to the Native American Ministry Council for their work this past year in researching Indian Boarding Schools in Arizona, and building upon the relationships we have formed with some of the 22 federally recognized tribes in our state to outline four pilgrimages next year to visit locations of schools and listen to survivors and their descendants. More information and how to participate can be found on page 8.

This is part of our work of becoming the Beloved Community. The Episcopal Church identifies four parts of that work: telling the truth; repairing the breach; proclaiming the dream; and practicing the way. These pilgrimages are part of the fundamental truth telling at the core of this ministry of racial justice and reconciliation. I pray that our journey next year may be for a start of repentance, healing, and repair.

#### SIGN UP

Bishop Reddall's E-pistle is sent out weekly to e-mail subscribers. Please contact Laurel Way at laurel@azdiocese.org if you would like to receive it.

## 2023 EYE GATHERING: REGRESO A CASA

BY THE REV. CANON JANA SUNDIN

Episcopal Youth Event (EYE) is the second largest gathering of Episcopalians in the world, second only to General Convention, and is designed by and for high schoolers. EYE convened at the University of Maryland in July, six years after the last such gathering, and the Diocese of Arizona was fortunate enough to send a delegation of 17 teenagers and three chaperones, from a total of seven congregations. This group experienced worship, workshops, dance parties, and connections with others from all over this diocese and all over The Episcopal Church. The theme was Regreso a Casa: A New Age of Faith, and the preaching and teaching focused on the story of Esther, and how like her, perhaps the youth present were made for such a time as this. They were moved by inspiring sermons and addresses from bishops, clergy, and laypeople, including the President of the House of Deputies, President Julia Ayala Harris, and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. EYE was

a lot of fun, and also a powerful experience for so many of our youth. Here are their words:

Overall, EYE was such a transformative moment in my faith journey. >>

I not only got to meet people from all over the US and other countries, but I got to hear stories from people of all walks of life. Hearing about all of the speakers' faith journeys and how God has played such a big role in their lives really made my faith grow. I loved EYE and I'm so so thankful I was able to attend. ~HALLIE

EYE was a great experience. It was definitely one of the few experiences in my life where I can say my faith and love of God when I got home was strengthened. Being able to see so many like-minded youth and adults was a beautiful experience. Sitting in a room with over 1,000 other Episcopalians who share the same faith and love each other you can feel God's presence. I remember standing there in the room singing with the





band and just feeling God's presence so strongly. It is truly something you have to experience and is hard to explain in words. ~DREW

This EYE trip was amazing. I learned about the book of Esther and how I should become my own Esther in life. I discovered long-time friends and found new ways to discover God not only in worship but in music too. ~ATUONG

[EYE] sounded like fun but obviously (like any normal person) I was so nervous to go. As soon as we got to the airport I knew this was where I needed to be. EYE was such a wonderful time to just get away from

the craziness of my everyday life and just connect with others. The one mo-

ment I will never forget (and ironically keep learning) is that GOD IS LOVE. I am so thankful for this opportunity

and the many new friendships that came out of it! ~GRACE

I've been struggling with my spirituality for a while, going to EYE helped me find myself, new friends and God. Seeing so many young kids around my age gather all to worship was an amazing experience. Hearing the speakers at worship say that they've struggled with their spirituality as well made me feel understood and normal for struggling. Through my friendships and God, I had the best time I could've possibly asked for. So

very thankful that I had the opportunity to go to this wonderfully planned event!!!! ~SAMMY

## A SIMPLE CARD MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE FOR AT-RISK KIDS

BY MARYANNE VERMILLION

In early June, 16 boys and girls (ages 8-17) who are affected by the incarceration of an immediate family member spent a fun and action-packed week at Chapel Rock in Prescott. They formed friendships, learned new skills (such as photography, drumming, and even kayaking!), and they had an opportunity to experience the love that God has for them. The 2023 Camp Genesis week may be finished but the opportunity to keep Camp alive in their memories has just begun.

Just because camp ended and "see you next year" was said doesn't mean that the experience of camp is actually over. From July until the following June the Camp Genesis Card Program ministry takes over to keep in touch with each child and remind them that they are on our hearts and in our prayers.

Perhaps you're wondering, "Just what is this Camp Genesis Card Program"?

Well, each month every camper who attended the most recent Camp Genesis receives a card from someone or from a group within our Diocese.



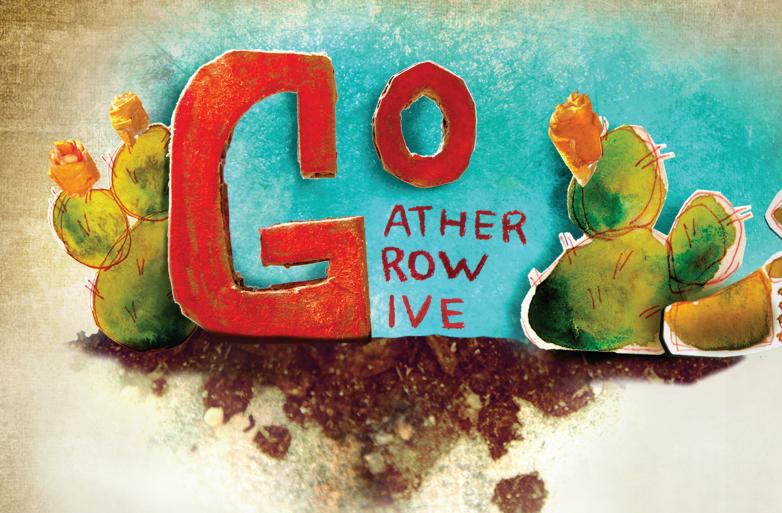
An individual or a church group can sign up to send cards to the 16 kids for one or more months. The cards can be bought or homemade, holiday themed, or just a Hello/Thinking of You card. Youth and children's groups can even make the cards!

Plain old Dollar Store notecards can be decorated and include your simple heartfelt and encouraging message.

Campers from years past have shared how much receiving these cards have meant to them. Many have kept all of their cards in a box or created a scrapbook. This year, one of the older campers said that he rereads the cards whenever he is going through a tough time.

If this ministry sounds interesting to you, check out the Camper Card Program ministry description on the Diocesan Prison Ministry Website (https://azdiocese.org/prison-ministry/programs/camp-genesis/) and please consider getting in touch with Maryanne Vermillion at prisonministry@azdiocese.org to receive more information.

You and/or your church can make a difference in the lives of these at-risk kids. Contact Maryanne today to reserve your month!



## GO! GATHER, GROW, AND GIVE

63RD DIOCESAN CONVENTION
October 17, 2023 via Zoom
& October 21, 2023 in person at
Saint Barnabas on the Desert,
Scottsdale, Arizona

Visit our website at azdiocese. org/2023-diocesan-convention/for more information.

## CONVENTION SCHEDULE October 5th, 6:30 PM

Pre-Convention Workshop (Zoom)

#### October 12th, 6:30 PM

Pre-Convention Workshop (Zoom)

#### October 17th, 6:00 PM

Diocesan Convention Business Meeting (Zoom)

#### Saturday, October 21

8:30 AM – Registration opens
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM – Awards, summary of address, EYE report, etc.
Children's Program begin
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Keynote
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM – Workshops
12:30 PM – Lunch and Fellowship
2:00 PM – Eucharist

#### **WORKSHOPS**

#### Make a Transformative Impact on Your Church: The Basics of Legacy Giving

The average gift to a church or charity through someone's estate is about \$70,000. The problem is, most people never consider making such a gift (or are never asked to do so!) In this session we will go over the basic ways that individuals and families can make these gifts to their Church, some that even provide family tax benefits. And we will discuss strategies that may encourage more people to support their church community through legacy giving.

# Diocesan Convention 2023



#### LGBTQIA+ Asylum is a Human Right

This Convention Workshop looks at a way on how Individuals, Congregations and/or Diocese can support other church-wide ministries such as the Rainbow Initiative with the Episcopal Migration Ministries.

#### **Gather to Grow Beloved Community**

How do you meet the challenge of creating and growing a Beloved Community? What are the barriers? What are the rewards? What does it mean to be reconcilers, healers and justice-bearers? Join us for a series of discussions focused on action and collaboration.

## Planting Seeds to Grow New Ministry - Serving Those That Served

In this workshop, we will explore creative ways of starting a veteran or military ministry at your church & or wider community. As every community has different needs & resources, there is no "one size fits all" for veteran ministry. Thus we will explore various types of veteran & military ministries. We will hear from parishioners who have started successful & fruitful veteran ministries, listen to their tips & wisdom for growing a veteran/military ministry, and much more!

#### **Gates and Gateways**

This workshop features life stories from formerly incarcerated women to shift the paradigm from "What's wrong with you?" to "What happened to you?" You will witness both barriers and opportunities that surround the incarcerated population and be inspired to Go, Gather, Grow, Give to support and empower these women to be the best they can be.

#### It's All About Culture

Saint Barnabas' core culture has been formed by "We're about Jesus" with emphasis on faith formation, contemplative spirituality, listening, member-centric church, and more. "Member-centric church"? For us, it equals Go, Gather, Grow, and Give.

#### **KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**

The Reverend Deborah K. Hutterer was ordained in 2004 and earned a Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary and a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication from Augsburg University. She is a lifelong Lutheran brought to the denomination by default and stayed by choice. In October 2020, she was elected to the executive committee of the Conference of Bishops of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Her leadership experience in faithbased nonprofits and higher education broadened her awareness and



The Rev. Deborah K. Hutterer, Bishop of the Grand Canyon Synod of ELCA

appreciation for God's multi-faceted ministry working with colleagues, congregations, and ecumenical and interfaith partners.



Follow Jesus. Grow in faith. Walk in love. Siguiendo a Jesus. Creciendo en fe. Caminando en amor

## 2024 LISTENING AND HEALING PILGRIMAGE

In May of 2022 Secretary of Interior Deb Haaland and Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Bryan Newland, published an investigative report outlining next steps in the Federal Indian Boarding School initiative. The report documented Arizona as the state with the second largest number of boarding schools in the US and the Phoenix Indian School as the second largest boarding school in the US.

The Council for Native American Ministry responded immediately by reading the report and seeking our own path forward in this diocese. In preparation for the 2022 Diocesan Convention we undertook to present a resolution to convention recognizing this information and the need for the Diocese to listen and learn about our history and the ongoing historical trauma that has remains. We recognized right away that the Boarding School history in Arizona is current and not older than 150 years (or about two generations. We say currently because many schools remain open under the Bureau of Indian Education.

Last summer's General Convention reaffirmed our need to move forward when it passed Resolution A127 ("Telling the Truth about The Episcopal Church's History with Indigenous Boarding Schools") which asks us to acknowledge, engage, and support a complete and comprehensive investigation of the church's complicity in the egregious history of Episcopal-run Indigenous boarding schools.

By Spring of 2023, the Council for Native American Ministry having coordinated this effort with Bishop Reddall, began to set in motion the study of the boarding schools located in Arizona. But even more importantly, to establish a Pilgrimage system where we would invite the diocese to listen to

the stories and experiences of survivors and their families. The schedule above affords you this opportunity.

In August, the Council for Native American Ministry spent its two-day retreat hearing about each of the boarding schools identified as being geographically within the diocesan borders. Of the 47 Arizona boarding schools twenty were researched by members of the council. Several of the boarding schools identified in the official Federal Indian Boarding School report are geographically in Arizona but fall within the borders of the Navajo Area Mission.

Several important observations were made over the two days. Six to eight survivors/family members/tribal representatives will be invited to share at each site. A local spiritual leader will be invited to open our gathering in prayer followed by introductions. We will spend as much time as needed for the guests to speak and share while we listen. A meal will be shared and the day will close with prayer and the gifting of Prayer Quilts (see information about Prayer Quilts).

Special attention will be given to the ongoing spiritual and pastoral needs of the guests who share and who may experience renewed spiritual, emotional and mental trauma.

You are invited to consider attending all or some of these gatherings. Accommodations are being arranged for those who travel and may need overnight accommodation. And it would be helpful in planning the space and food if you would let us know your intention to attend. Please email debbie@azdiocese.org The Rev Canon Debbie Royals, Canon for Native American Ministry, Episcopal Diocese of Arizona. A Primer on the

US Federal Boarding Schools and the church's response is available online at https://azdiocese.org/native-american-ministry/



### COUNCIL FOR NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRY

#### Saturday, January 27, 2024 10 am to 2 pm

St George Episcopal Church, 168 W Arizona Street Holbrook, AZ 86025

Saturday, April 27, 2024 10 am to 2 pm Tucson TBA

#### Friday, August 16, 2024

Phoenix Indian School/Heard Museum

#### Saturday, August 17, 2024

Franciscan Center 5802 E Lincoln Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85253

#### Saturday, September 7, 2024 10 am to 2 pm

Grace Episcopal Church 111 Bunker Dr, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

## Saturday, November 23, 2024 11 am to 1 pm Healing service closing the Pilgrimage Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 100 W Roosevelt St

100 W Roosevelt St, Phoenix, AZ 85003

## 2024 LISTENING & HEALING PILGRIMAGE - PRAYER QUILTS

Quilters and Quilting Ministries are being invited to participate in the 2024 Boarding School Pilgrimage by creating Prayer Quilts to be gifted to survivors, families of survivors and tribal representatives who will be sharing their stories with us at each of the Pilgrimage sites. To participate and receive the pre-printed logo square for your Prayer Quilt contact: debbie@azdiocese.org The Rev Canon Debbie Royals, Canon for Native American Ministry, Episcopal Diocese of Arizona.

#### **Guidelines:**

Finished Prayer Quilts should be 18" to 22" square with the logo block in the center.

You may choose any pattern but you are discouraged from using Christian symbology (i.e. cross) given the historical trauma often associated with the church.

#### Fabric:

The logo blocks are hand cut and may need squaring. Please use good quality cotton fabric. Because they are small, these quilts will look best in small prints that "read" as solid. Please no images of people, livestock, cultural items, etc. Desert skies, land-scape or sky images are appropriate.

#### Finishing:

Batting: Any thin batting or a layer of flannel.

Backing: Cotton fabric.

Quilting: Quilting or tying is acceptable. Ties should be done with embroidery floss, not yarn, and prayer knotted to the back of the quilt. Binding: Use sewn-on binding or pillow-turn finish with top stitching. Label: Attach a label indicating the maker (group or individual) to the lower right corner of the back of the quilt. No additional messaging, please.

To view a larger version of the quilt square example, please visit our website: azdiocese.org/native-americanministry/

The finished quilt would be 20" x 20". Here are the dimensions of each component:

- \* Logo block as close to 7 1/2" square as possible
- \* Contrasting 2 1/2" border strip on all four sides
- \* Trim the result to 10 1/2" square
- \* Prepare eight 5 1/2" half-square triangle blocks
- \* Cut four 5 1/2" square corner blocks (or prepare four 5 1/2" four-patch blocks)
- \* Assemble as indicated in the photo (below).

The Diocese and the Council for Native American Ministry are grateful for Deacon postulant, Barb Lopes, St Raphael in the Valley Episcopal/Lutheran Church, Benson, AZ for working with us to design the sample and creating the instructions. Feel free to contact Barb with questions: barblopes@yahoo.com





## **VETERAN & MILITARY** MINISTRY NEWS IN **SOUTHERN ARIZONA**

by The Rev. Laura Adelia, LT Col, USAF(Ret). Missioner - Veterans/Military Ministry

What's going on down in southern Arizona? This past summer I had a few opportunities to "escape Phoenix" & took a few road trips to southern Arizona to visit churches in Bisbee, Sierra Vista & in Green Valley. The people of these churches have been very busy with all kinds of really great veteran & military ministries. So what's going on down there? Let's take a look!

#### ST. STEPHEN'S OF SIERRA VISTA - SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED!

Over in Sierra Vista, when asked by a parishioner of St. Stephen's, who happened to be a Vietnam veteran, to consider being the chaplain for the local chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) service organization, the Rev. Allison Cornell, Rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church rose to answer the call to "serve those who served".



Rev. Allison shared she has a strong affinity for military people as before becoming an Episcopal priest, she worked as a civilian for twenty years with the Department of Defense at the National Geo-spatial-Intelligence

Agency (NGA). She knows firsthand the military people & culture, & the vocational call of service to our nation.

So what does a Chaplain for the Vietnam Veterans of America chapter do? "I meet with members if they have soulful matters that they wish to discuss with someone who listens and offers comfort/care... I send condolence cards or get well cards for members/spouses/families who are grieving or ill/injured...and I help with any ritual observances for other events in conjunction with other VVA chapter officers and community leaders," said Rev. Allison.

She also offers special ceremonies, services, prayers, invocations & benedictions, &attends many community events held throughout the year, Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Vietnam War End Day, etc. She also attends the board meetings, held every month at the Warrior Healing Center in Sierra Vista. Deacon Dorothy 'Dottie' Gutwein, who also serves at St. Stephen's in Sierra Vista, among her many other ministry activities is in the process of geang parishioners involved in at the Warrior Healing Center.



What is the Warrior Healing Center? It is a large indoor & outdoor facility that houses numerous veteran service organizations & is a place for veterans to gather. With over 21 different non-profits & veteran services.

Thank you Rev. Allison & Rev. Dottie & the people of St Stephen's for all you do!



#### NOT FORGOTTEN IN GREEN VALLEY

The people of St. Francis of the Valley Episcopal Church in Green Valley honored service members who "gave all" with a beautiful & solemn Memorial Day Honor Guard & wreath laying ceremony, held right after the Pentecost Sunday service on May 28th.

After the Pentecost Sunday services concluded, the Honor Guard entered the sanctuary to a fully packed church, solemnly carrying the colors toward the front.

The Honor Guard consisted of members of the local Pima County Sheriff's Auxiliary. Due to the pandemic, this was the first live & in person Memorial Day ceremony held in 3 years.

The ceremony was narrated by an Honor Guard member. A wreath was placed at the altar. Taps was played...& the ceremony concluded And, the fallen were not forgotten.

#### MEET CHAPLAIN KEITH SAARE, EPISCOPAL ARMY CHAPLAIN SERVING AT FORT **HUACHUCA!**

Fort Huachuca is an active duty Army base located next to Sierra Vista. It is home to the US Army Intelligence Center, the Technology & Signal Commands & many other units.



Chaplain Captain Keith Saare is an Episcopalian currently stationed & serving at Fort Huachuca & ministers to the Army students attending the "Intel" school at Fort Huachuca.

He started his military career as an enlisted person with the US Air Force, and later became an active duty chaplain with the US Army. He has had many adventures during his 18+ years of service. Thank you Chaplain Keith for your ministry to our service members!

#### GIVING BACK TO VETERANS IN TUCSON



David Powell. Vietnam Veteran & member of St Alban's in Tucson is also very involved in veteran ministry. Currently in Deacon formation (class of 2025), he gives back by honoring over 200 veterans in hospice care & in local veteran

cemeteries & sets the Fallen Soldier's Table for Memorial Day & Veterans Day.

David is also the Chaplain for the local Veterans Battle of the Bulge (WWII) Chapter 53, & notes that only two veterans from this event are still living, aged 96 & 102! His church made a bed cover for Harper, the 102 year old veteran of the Battle of the Bulge.



Why does David minister to veterans? David shared that his ministry to veterans is not just to give back to vets for their service, but also for his own healing from a very negative situation & the wounds of war. David served in the Army & worked in Army aviation refueling helicopters at Vin Long Air Base in the Mekong Delta in Vietnam 1968-



'69. Aner returning home in 1970, David shared he had a difficult time reintegrating back into society. After a long & winding road of many years, David found his way by "taking God's love to others who are in need".

#### VETERAN MINISTRY HAPPENINGS IN BISBEE

Last May the people of St. John's Episcopal Church in Bisbee celebrated the installation of their new flag pole, generously donated to the church by two of their veteran members William Hicks & Robert Chavez. A dedication & blessing ceremony was held after the Sunday worship service in the beautiful little 100+ year old church. After the service, the congregation processed out to the garden area where the new flagpole was installed. (Photo on left page 10).

The American & Episcopal flags were raised by William Hicks & Richard Hannigan (in photo), & were then blessed by the people of St John's. The new little flag pole with flags waiving in the garden next to the church are a beautiful addition to St John's & the community of Bisbee!



BY THE REV. CANON ANITA BRADEN CANON TO THE ORDINARY

For several weeks before our departure date to Kenya, five pilgrims reviewed their itinerary, secured all needed vaccinations, and considered protocols of being Episcopalians in a non-western land. The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Reddall, Susan Hillman, Kathleen O'Leary, Canon Clyde Knuz, and I were not only representing the Diocese of Arizona but, in many ways, the Episcopal Church in the USA. Together, we pondered what it meant to respect the traditions of others without compromising one's beliefs and how to remain open to new understandings and discoveries of the movement of the Spirit of God in a different part of the Body of Christ.

Through roundtable discussions at the Lambeth Conference, Bishop Jennifer Reddall and Bishop John Omangi developed a friendship that explored commonalities and differences in proclaiming the Gospel in their respective dioceses. By mutual curiosity, both bishops realized the Spirit of God is working in similar yet different ways. For example, priests in the ACK of Upper Southern Nyanza Diocese-Kisii were not receiving income for their ministerial work due to a lack of funds. Bishop Jennifer quickly understood the immense sacrifice the priests were experiencing and gathered funds to support them in the short term. It was not until we arrived in the diocese that we fully realized the magnitude of their sacrifice in proclaiming the Gospel. One realization was the distance between congregations that priests walked or rode motorbikes on challenging terrain. Along with extreme heat in the summer and intense poverty among the people, priests were often asked to serve multiple congregations and provide pastoral care to many individuals.

Yet, despite the challenges, the vitality of the congregations we visited was palpable, and the hospitality was beyond generous. The joy expressed by the members in worship and outreach ministries was inspiring and fully embedded in the possibilities of God. I walked away with my faith strengthened because they boldly proclaimed great faith in building up the body of Christ in their diocese. Our intent as pilgrims was to establish a friendship

that exchanged cultural and spiritual understandings, but I will freely admit that I walked away with my faith in God truly inspired.

The ACK of Upper Southern Nyanza Dioceses-Kisii and the Diocese of Arizona can be partners of hope for the expansion of the Kingdom of God, even though we are on different continents. We can encourage one another when times are challenging and offer assistance when we can do so. We can be curious about the traditions and customs of one another as well as our hopes and dreams for our future. Our shared belief is our faith in Jesus Christ, and because it is the cornerstone of all that we are and hope to be, it can allow us to seek mutually beneficial relationships.

If you have not watched the YouTube video presentation of the trip to Kenya, I would encourage you to do so and hear more details about the journey from all the pilgrims.

In the meantime, may the Lord our God open our eyes to new possibilities and pathways of promoting the Good News of Christ.

#### **2023 MISSION SHARE RECEIVABLES REPORT** Monthly Tally with YTD Total - Payments received through August 31

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Benson, St. Raphael's													43,928.37	7,423.89	7,423.70	(0.19)
Bisbee, St. John's													10,231.10	1,729.06	1,729.05	(0.01)
Casa Grande, St. Peter's													57,846.61	9,776.08	9,776.07	(0.01)
Cave Creek, Good Shepherd													354,290.15	59,875.04	59,875.02	(0.02)
Chandler, St. Matthew's													494,081.18	83,499.72	83,499.73	0.01
Clarkdale, St. Thomas													49,939.90	8,439.84	8,439.85	0.01
Coolidge, St. Michael's													39,056.02	6,600.47	6,600.51	0.04
Douglas, St. Stephen's													4,543.50	767.85	767.85	(0.00)
Flagstaff, Epiphany													214,156.59	36,192.46	36,192.47	0.01
Gilbert, Resurrection													34,324.89	5,800.91	5,800.90	(0.01)
Glendale, St. Andrew's													34,034.05	5,751.75	5,751.76	0.01
Glendale, St. John/Baptist													243,105.63	41,084.85	41,084.85	(0.00)
Globe, St. John's													55,824.50	9,434.34	9,434.34	(0.00)
Grace Church, Lake Havasu													69,717.16	11,782.20	11,782.20	(0.00)
Green Valley, St. Francis													355,118.72	60,015.06	60,015.06	(0.00)
Holbrook, St. George													10,155.97	1,716.36	1,716.37	0.01
Kingman, Trinity													25,047.00	4,232.94	4,232.94	(0.00)
Lakeside, Our Saviour													120,545.38	20,372.17	20,372.06	(0.11)
Litchfield Park. St. Peter's													338,576.84	57,219.49	57,219.47	(0.02)
Mesa, St. Mark's													125,493.53	21,208.41	21,208.41	0.00
Mesa, Transfiguration													152,852.98	25,832.15	25,832.15	(0.00)
Morenci, SS Philip & James													10,923.10	1,846.00	1,845.95	(0.05)
Nogales, St. Andrew's													70,900.19	11,982.13	11,982.13	(0.00)
Oro Valley, Apostles													162,160.02	27,405.04	27,405.04	(0.00)
Para.Vall., Christ Ch. Asc.													448,316.44	75,765.48	75,765.49	0.01
Payson, St. Paul's													76,585.17	12,942.89	12,942.89	(0.00)
Phoenix, Trinity Cathedral													261,191.22	44,141.32	39,835.61	4,305.71
Phoenix, All Saints'													384,188.94	64,927.93	64,927.80	(0.13)
Phoenix, St. Luke's @ Mt.													20,286.69	3,428.45	3,396.48	(31.97)
Phoenix, Santa Maria													5,444.22	920.07	920.04	(0.03)
Phoenix, St. Mary's													130,939.05	22,128.70	22,128.70	0.00
Phx, St Paul's Sudanese	Pavino	\$1 200	per year	- and th	ie ie na	id							7,100.59	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Phoenix, St. Stephen's	r dynig	\$1,200	per year	- and th	lia la pa	u							149,612.71	25,284.55	25,284.55	0.00
Phoenix, San Pablo													70,703.62	11,948.91	11,948.87	(0.04)
Prescott, St. Luke's													397,678.92	67,207.74	67,207.73	(0.01)
Safford, All Saint's													25,616.82	4,329.24	4,329.24	(0.00)
Scottsdale, Nativity													250,544.00	42,341.94	42,341.94	0.00
Scottsdale, St Anthony													231,967.93	39,202.58	39,202.57	(0.01)
Scottsdale, St. Barnabas													1,141,786.84	192,961.98	192,961.98	0.00
Sedona, St Andrews													177,081.78	29,926.82	29,926.82	(0.00)
Sierra Vista, St Stephen's													99,709.91	16,850.97	16,850.96	(0.01)
Sun City, All Saints'													203,318.21	34,360.78	34,360.78	0.00
Sun City, St. Christopher's													132,527.79	22,397.20	22,397.20	0.00
Sun City West, Advent													316,311.47	53,456.64	53,456.76	0.12
Tempe, Epiphany													344,314.07	58,189.08	58,189.07	(0.01)
Tempe, St. Augustine's													181,531.70	30,678.86	30,678.85	(0.01)
Tempe, St. James													75,500.47	12,759.58	12,759.57	(0.01)
Tombstone, St. Paul's													2,366.86	400.00	400.00	0.00
Tucson, Christ the King													290,760.67	49,138.55	49,138.56	0.01
Tucson, Grace St. Paul's													405,028.81	68,449.87	68,449.86	(0.01)
Tucson, St. Alban's													262,831.98	44,418.60	44,418.60	(0.01)
Tucson, St. Andrew's													94,192.95	15,918.61	15,918.61	0.00
Tucson, St. Matthew's													177,885.19	30,062.60	30,062.61	0.00
,													210,767.94	35,619.78	35,619.79	0.01
Tucson St Michael's & All		_											1,013,985.64	171,363.57	171,363.56	(0.01)
Tucson, St. Michael's & All Tucson, St. Philip's in the													1,010,300.04	17 1.000.07	17 1.000.00	(0.01)
Tucson, St. Philip's in the																0.04
Tucson, St. Philip's in the Wickenburg, St. Alban's													55,178.00	9,325.08	9,325.09	0.01
Tucson, St. Philip's in the Wickenburg, St. Alban's Williams, St. John's													55,178.00 17,414.90	9,325.08 2,943.12	9,325.09 2,943.11	(0.01)
Tucson, St. Philip's in the Wickenburg, St. Alban's													55,178.00	9,325.08	9,325.09	0.01 (0.01) 0.01 4,273.29

**Additions to Note:** 1 Missional Community (Harbor Church); 1 Church Plant, (Church of the 4 Winds);

3 College Chapels (NAU Canterbury-Flagstaff, ASU -Tempe, & U of A-Tucson); 1 Worshipping Community (Casa Blanca)





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#### BISHOP REDDALL'S VISITATION SCHEDULE

\*The schedule is subject to change.

#### October

10/1 | Church of the Nativity, Scottsdale

10/8 | Saint Barnabas on the Desert, Scottsdale

10/15 | Harbor Church, Phoenix

10/29 | Church of the Epiphany, Flagstaff

#### November

11/5 | All Saint's, Sun City

11/12 | St. Paul's, Tombstone

11/19 | St. Michael's and All Angels, Tucson

#### December

12/3 | Church of the Advent, Sun City West

12/10 | St. Andrew's, Tucson

12/17 | St. Augustine's, Tempe

12/24 | Trinity Cathedral, Phoenix

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