THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Weekly E-Newsletter, May 18, 2022

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FOLLOW US

Don't forget to hashtag your photos with
#DioWNC on social media!

Other diocesan accounts to follow:
@wncyouth, @uncaepiscopal, @episcopalwcu,
@latinoministrywnc, @blueridgeservicecorps, @pecmappstate

Have news to share?

1. Check out our Submission Guidelines to ensure your submission meets our standards.

2. Submit your news through our Newsletter Submission Form or send it to vtaylor@diocesewnc.org

CENTENNIAL YOUTUBE PODCAST GIVE COVID-19

Around the **DIOCESE**

Deanery Dinner Photo Gallery
Check out the photo gallery from our second Deanery Dinner with the Foothills Deanery at the Double "J" Farm! To access the gallery please click above.

Spanish Pastoral Care for English Speakers Sessions
Join Latino Missioner Oscar Rozo for a class for diocesan members who are interested in developing relationships with the Latino community. The class will gather Tuesdays from 6-7 via Zoom, beginning June 7th. Click above to register via email.

A Walking and Camping Pilgrimage in the Linville Gorge
Join the Rev. Karla Woggon for two days of sauntering and backpacking in the Linville Gorge Wilderness June 16-18! This will be an intentional pilgrimage with time for reflection. Click above for more information.

A Pastoral Statement from Presiding Bishop Curry on the mass shooting in Buffalo
Click above to read the pastoral statement from Presiding Bishop Curry regarding the shooting in Buffalo on May 14th and please continue to join us in prayer for the victims and their families.

WATCH: You're Invited to Join Us for Deanery Dinners!
You're invited! Check out this invitation from Bishop José to join us at our diocesan deanery dinners throughout May and June. We can't wait to see you!

Nuevo Amanecer, June 16-19
The Nuevo Amanecer conference brings together many successful and dynamic leaders involved in Latino Ministries; offers workshops that provide training that can be implemented in any parish; and features inspiring keynote addresses. All are welcome! Register online above.

LGBTQ+ Family Day
Join us at Camp Henry on July 9th for a time to relax & have fun with your LGBTQ+ family. This is open to anyone in the community who identifies as LGBTQ+ and their queer or ally family members. Learn more online.

Grants Available!
We currently have three different kinds of grants available: Human Hurt and Hope Grants, Congregational Vitality Grants, and Global Mission Grants! Visit our diocesan website to apply.

Centennial **NEWS**

In 2022 the Diocese of Western North Carolina celebrates 100 years as an established diocese. As part of this celebration, we are dedicated to sharing the stories of the diocese and discerning new opportunities to grow as a diocesan community. Below, please find upcoming events, announcements, and more as we celebrate our centennial year together, or visit www.diocesewnc.org/centennial

You're Invited! Diocesan Deanery Dinners

Join us this spring for a dinner series celebrating our diocesan history and joining together in fellowship! Members of each deanery are invited to a dinner celebration with Bishop José to discuss the past and future of this diocese and join in community together. Click above to find the schedule, or click on your deanery below:
MOUNTAIN DEANERY, **HENDERSONVILLE DEANERY**, **WESTERN DEANERY**, **ASHEVILLE DEANERY**

Explore Our "Unlearning Library"

In this library, find resources intended to help "unlearn" inherent biases. With a focus on voices of color, this library is intended to help us reflect on the ways we can continue to build beloved community as we approach the next 100 years.

Learn about our Core Values, Identity, and Mission

As we celebrate our Centennial, we also reflect on what we hope to achieve moving forward as a diocese. Learn more about our Core Values, Diocesan Identity, and Mission for the Centennial year and beyond.

Job **OPENINGS**

Click here to visit our "Job Openings" page on our Diocesan website.

Christian Formation Coordinator

PARISH: St. Mary's, Blowing Rock
JOB TYPE: Part-Time

Parish Office Director

PARISH: Grace, Asheville
JOB TYPE: Part-Time

Around the **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

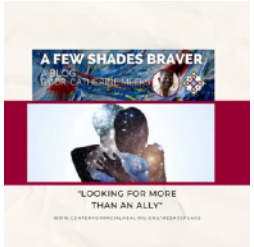
Find latest news or click on one of the event photos below to learn more.
www.episcopalchurch.org

LATEST NEWS AND PRESS RELEASES

- Letter to The Episcopal Church from Presiding Bishop and President of the House of Deputies: Recommendations from May 17 meeting of Presiding Officers' General Convention Design Group
- Statement from Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry on Chicago and Utah bishop consecrations
- Pastoral statement on mass shooting in Buffalo from Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
- Presiding Bishop's statement to Executive Council regarding 80th General Convention
- Information Regarding the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church
- Latest Action Alerts from the Episcopal Public Policy Network

BLESS: 2022 Annual Appeal
Click above to find annual appeal information from The Episcopal Church and make your donation securely online.

Resilience Through the Storm: The Impact of Relationships During the Aftermath of Disasters: Episcopal Relief and Development
Read this article from Episcopal Relief and Development about their response to the tornadoes in Alabama.



A Few Shades Braver Blog
Subscribe to "A Few Shades Braver," the official blog of the Absalom Jones Center for weekly updates! Click above to learn more.

Eco Preacher Workshop - May 19, 2022
This workshop is a unique opportunity to discover a new perspective for engaging the Bible that deepens and expands your faith. Click above to register online!

Intro to Soul Collage with the Center for Spiritual Wisdom
SoulCollage® is a creative way to tap into your own wisdom and intuition. Check out this workshop on May 22nd from the Center for Spiritual Wisdom.

Resources for Afghan Allies from Episcopal Migration Ministries
Find a variety of resources available for Afghan Allies who with to support refugees from Episcopal Migration Ministries.

Episcopal **RESOURCES**

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Our **CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTERS**

Our Camp and Conference Centers are a vital part of who we are as a diocese. Please consider donating to one of these sacred places by clicking on their image, and check below for upcoming events and ways to be involved.

Lake Logan Volunteer Weekend
Join us May 21 and 22 for Volunteer Weekend at Lake Logan! Volunteers can spend the night at no charge. Register and learn more by clicking above.

Women Writers Workshop at Valle Crucis Conference Center
Join master author Katerina Whitley from June 16-18 at Valle Crucis as we explore ways to express ourselves in writing. Click above to register and learn more.

Yoga Retreats at Lake Logan
Lake Logan is hosting TWO different yoga retreats this summer, and you can sign up for one or both of them! Click above to find more information and register online.

Bonhoeffer: Encountering the Divine Workshop
The Encountering the Divine Workshop at Valle Crucis on June 4th focuses on transformed lives. Click above to learn more and register for this event.

Camp Henry Applications Open!
Join us this summer at Camp Henry! Applications are open, so apply online now to secure your spot for a summer of fun!

Buy your tickets for Cold Mountain Music Festival
The lineup for Cold Mountain Music Festival is live! Click above to learn more and reserve your tickets now to see these artists in action this summer!

Upcoming **DATES AND EVENTS**

Click here to view the full diocesan calendar online.

MAY 19, 2022 - Eco Preacher Workshop
MAY 21-22, 2022 - Lake Logan Volunteer Weekend
MAY 22, 2022 - Intro to Soul Collage with the Center for Spiritual Wisdom
MAY 24, 2022 - Mountain Deanery Dinner
MAY 30, 2022 - Dismantling Racism Workshop
JUNE 4, 2022 - Bonhoeffer: Encountering the Divine at Valle Crucis Conference Center
JUNE 4, 2022 - Cold Mountain Music Festival at Lake Logan
JUNE 7, 14, 21, 28, JULY 5, 12, 19, 2022 - Spanish Pastoral Care for English Speakers Sessions
JUNE 7, 2022 - Hendersonville Deanery Dinner
JUNE 14, 2022 - Western Deanery Dinner
JUNE 16-18, 2022 - Women Writers Workshop at Valle Crucis Conference Center
JUNE 16-19, 2022 - Nuevo Amanecer Latino Ministries Conference
JUNE 21, 2022 - Asheville Deanery Dinner
JULY 7-14, 2022 - General Convention of the Episcopal Church
JULY 9, 2022 - LGBTQ+ Family Day at Camp Henry
AUGUST 6-7, 2022 - Lake Logan Multisport Festival

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