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Mission to Seafarers -- Seattle Seafarers Center

Making Visible the Invisible: How Ministry to Seafarers Brings Hope Around the World

Session One

Puget Sound is the sixth busiest port in the United States. Thousands of seafarers visit Seattle each year, yet few people realize they are here or the critical role these essential workers have on our daily lives. The pandemic and global supply chain disruptions have made life for seafarers even more challenging. That's where the Mission to Seafarers comes in. The mission of the Center is to welcome and care for these critical, beloved human beings. During this session, you will hear from several people engaged in this important ministry. You will also learn about how the Mission is adapting its work during the pandemic and how you and your congregation can get involved in this transformative hospitality. Welcome aboard!

Ethnic Ministries Circles of Color

Who are Ethnic Ministries Circles of Color and How Can You Be In Relationship With Us?

Session One

Come learn about who Circles of Color are and the work we do! This workshop is an opportunity to get to know us better, hear about our work, and ask questions. This workshop will also feature various members from our Circles Community to promote skills, workshops, and resources they could offer. For example, some skills members might offer are a workshop on Doctrine of Discovery, how to build relationship with your local Asian American community, Sacred Ground workshop facilitation, consultation on non-traditional/ethnically specific liturgies, event moderator, etc.

Bishop's Task Force on Homelessness

Voices of the Homeless

Session One, Session Three

The Bishop's Homeless Taskforce has spent the last year building a website. The website is a dynamic one intended to be used by anyone wanting information on best practices for aiding our unsheltered neighbors. If your congregation assists the unsheltered, We want to help you share your experiences with the Diocese, and others.

Faith Action Network

Be an Advocate for Justice--even from home!

Session One

During this stay-at-home and remote-work time, the need for advocacy for social justice has been greater than ever, and the mechanisms for advocacy have adapted alongside the need. Join some of the staff of Faith Action Network to learn how you can be an advocate for public policy that protects people and the planet, even from home in your pajamas! FAN staff will share some tools, resources, and experiences of remote advocacy and how you can bring your faith values to bear on critical social issues. They will also highlight some of the policy issues coming up during the 2022 Washington State legislative session.

ECWW Youth Ministry

Introducing Discord - it's like Zoom, but better!

Session One

Discord started out as a platform for video-gamers to chat while they played their favorite games with friends. It has evolved into much more, in part thanks to the pandemic. Discord is used by schools, colleges, libraries, and clubs to organize text threads by topic, voice chat and video call, and "stages" (similar to Zoom's webinar setup). In this workshop we'll explore how Discord works, its features, how to join the youth Discord server, and how to go about starting your own.

St. Luke's ~ San Lucas Episcopal Church, Vancouver

Discover Día de los Muertos, the Day of the Dead - a celebration that affirms life.

Session One

Join Fr. Jesús Reyes' presentation of "Día de los Muertos" (The day of the Dead) - a traditional Mexican celebration focused on honoring our loved ones. The name indicates that all is about the dead but, in fact, this celebration is about affirming life. Discover how a different cultural perspective may help you appreciate the wonderful blessing that we receive from our Creator, and how this blessing never ends as it connects with eternity. The original month-long holiday has been condensed to three days, October 31 through November 2 - find out where you can join a liturgical observance and how this tradition of remembrance might inform your own.

Sound Alliance

Listen for a Change: Adjusting to a New Normal
Session Two, Session Four

This new dynamic we are experiencing as a faith community presents opportunities as well as big challenges. How can we use the listening process to make sure we are listening and learning from each other? What is on the hearts and minds of our members? Especially when we can't count on seeing each other on Sundays in person? The diocese is a member of the Sound Alliance, a broad base community organization in King and Pierce Counties. The emphasis of our work is to build relationships and grow everyday citizen leaders in order to build power across community so that we can act together effectively for the common good.

Refugee Resettlement Office

Update on Refugee Resettlement
Session Two

The director of the Refugee Office will present an update on the resettlement of Afghan refugees and continuing efforts with other nationalities. The evacuation of refugees from Kabul is an historic event. The refugees who are part of that evacuation should not be forgotten as the news cycle moves to other topics. Opportunities for Episcopalian to assist Afghan arrivals, and others, that will likely arrive fir years, will be discussed.

Bishop's Committee for Justice & Peace in the Holy Land

Striving for Justice and Peace in the West Bank
Session Two

There will be an introduction and a showing of " The Present, " a 2020 award winning short film directed by Farah Nabulsi and co-written by Nabulsi and Hind Shoufani, about a father and daughter in the Palestinian enclaves of the Israeli-occupied West Bank trying to buy a wedding anniversary gift followed by a discussion lead by members of the Bishop's Committee who have visited the West Bank covering conditions of the occupation, the welfare of Christians and the involvement of our government.

Ethnic Ministries Circles of Color

Immigration update: TPS, Asylum and Dreamers
Session Two, Session Four

The Diocese of Olympia is the location of the Northwest Detention Center and the Refugee Resettlement Program and as Episcopalians and followers of Jesus' Way of Love we are called to welcome the stranger in our midst. Come learn about current immigration issues and policies - both those involved with Afghan resettlement and an update on longstanding immigration across the southern border and how that impacts immigrants in our communities. Learn the differences between parolees, refugees, asylum seekers, temporary protected status, DACA and Dreamers. This will be a primer in current immigration policies and procedures and a guide for advocacy grounded in biblical theology.

Bishop's Committee for the Environment (BCE)

Episcopal Households VS. the Climate Crisis
Session Two

Think there's not much one individual can do about the climate crisis? Think again! Episcopal Households are acting, one action at a time. Together their actions are reducing carbon emissions and building momentum for the social and political changes that must happen to keep our planet safe. Come and find out more about the Episcopal Household Carbon Tracker from people who are using it now.

ECWW Faith Formation for Children & Families

Where Are the Children? What Churches Need to Know to Reach Families in the Age of COVID
Session Two

The pandemic has completely upended the traditional ways we interact with families leaving many of us to wonder, how do we move forward?: ...More virtual programs? ...Resume in-person gatherings? ...Offer a hybrid approach? ...Or pivot and try something completely different? Join our panel of ministry leaders, who also have their own children at home, to discuss what families really need from their church in this new context. Whether your place of worship has a committed core group of families or is struggling to recruit even one, let's re-imagine children and families ministries for now and the future.

Ethnic Ministries Circles of Color

New BIPOC Clergy Coffee Hour Meet & Greet

Session Three

We are excited to announce there are three new BIPOC clergy in our Diocese! Circles of Color is hosting a Coffee Hour Meet and Greet where we introduce Rev. Jesús Reyes of San Lucas ~ St. Luke's Vancouver, Rev. Beverly Tasy-Moore of St. Margaret's Bellevue, and Rev. Malcolm McLaurin of Holy Cross, Redmond. Come get to know them and hear about their ministries. Also bring your coffee or favorite morning beverage.

ECWW Youth Ministry

How to play games together over Zoom - for youth & adults!

Session Three

Running game nights on Zoom just got a whole lot easier. Join Alex Flannagan for a session of test-driving interactive games and activities over Zoom. Participants will need a second device (such as a smart phone), though you're welcome to attend and watch if you'd rather. Resources shared will be a combination of free and paid, and ongoing support is offered following the workshop.

Office of the Bishop

Navigating a Changing Church

*Session Three, continued in Session Four
(Please plan to attend both sessions)*

Working against structural and systemic racism in our culture and in our church takes skill. Come join with other Episcopalians from around the Diocese of Olympia to build on our intercultural competency sessions last year by exploring Intercultural Communication Styles. We will learn about how culture influences communication and conflict and reflect on how these differences in communication affect how racism and privilege work in United States culture.

Bishop's Committee for Justice & Peace in the Holy Land

Clean Water for Gaza's Kids: Working with the Middle East Children's Alliance

Session Four

Our Diocesan Committee for Justice and Peace in the Holy Land has been following closely the news coming from Gaza, the West Bank and Israel. It has chosen to work closely with The Middle East Children's Alliance to support their Maia Project, which brings clean drinking

water to schools in Gaza. Whatever one's politics are, the fact is that in Gaza 95% of the water is unfit for human consumption. Numerous military attacks on the Gaza Strip—including those this spring -- have devastated Gaza's water infrastructure and the ten-year siege of Gaza has created a shortage of pipes, building materials, fuel and electricity. The water in Gaza is polluted with untreated sewage, agricultural chemicals, and it is brackish from seawater. Gaza's water crisis poses grave health risks to children.

ECWW Contemplative Practices Online Community

Contemplative Practices Across the Diocese

Session Four

Looking Inward: The Role of Contemplative Practices in the Church. Join clergy and lay leaders from around the Diocese who have implemented contemplative practices into the life of the church. We'll give an overview of the many ways these practices can be incorporated at your parish and explore the diverse forms these practices can take including: contemplative photography, contemplative prayer, mindful poetry, contemplative creativity, silent retreats, and much more. Finally, we'll experience a brief Lectio Divina, a life-changing contemplative practice designed to facilitate meditation on and personal connection to scripture.

Bishop's Climate Justice Task Force

Climate Change: An Intergenerational Conversation About What We Need to Do Now

Session Four

What if you could gather teens, college students, millennials, Gen X-ers, baby boomers and their parents into a single place for a frank conversation about what the church needs to do now to reverse climate change? We've done just that... Join us for a multi-age round-table where we'll explore where the generations differ and where they overlap in their response and approach to the world's most pressing issue. You'll come away with a new sense of what's possible for church-based climate justice work and concrete ideas for enlisting all ages in the care for creation.