

Announcements March 9, 2025

Good morning and welcome to St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Wickenburg, Arizona, where today we celebrate the First Sunday in Lent.

Beginning this Tuesday and every Tuesday in Lent, we will offer Stations of the Cross at 5pm in the Sanctuary, followed by a soup supper in the Parish Hall.

Reminder that on Saturday, March 22nd, from 10 am to 2 pm, Canon Anita Braden will be here for a Modified Day of Discovery. Lunch will be served so please RSVP to Father Mike, Deacon Debra or any member of your Bishop's Committee.

Reminder of Bishop Reddall's pending visit on March 30th.

Spiritual Gifts: A Pathway to Discipleship

Spiritual Gifts are given to all of us by God. Learning about your Spiritual Gifts is a process of personal discovery and allows you to focus on who you are as a gifted and empowered person of God. Using these gifts to develop an active ministry with your church community can be a powerful experience.

Canon Cathy Black will be joining us on April 12th from 10 am to 2:30 pm for a workshop to help us discern our Spiritual Gifts. During this workshop, Canon Black will guide you as you complete a Spiritual Gifts Inventory. Through a group activity, she will help you identify how you can best use your gifts within the ministries that our church is involved with currently. She will also explore with us opportunities that our church may dream of doing.

This workshop is not about seeing what you are good at so that you can be pressured to volunteer. It is not about stewardship and giving. It is about working together to discern how to do God's will in the way that is best suited to who we are as unique and beloved individuals joined in community. Lunch will be served so please RSVP!

Finally, if you desire prayer for yourself or for others, Erica Baxter will be available to pray with you in the chapel during communion.

St. Alban's acknowledges that our church sits on land that was once the home to many people and nations and remains a home to those that continue to live here today, including: the Apache, Cocopah, Yavapai, and other Native Americans. We thank them for their stewardship of this land, and we commit ourselves to working alongside indigenous people for reconciliation and justice as we live out our Baptismal Covenant and respect the dignity of every person.

This concludes the announcements.

Let us together strive to fulfill St. Alban's mission to Love God, Love God's Family, and Love God's World.