

**April 6, 2025** 

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Holy Eucharist

A bell tolls, and we invite you to quiet your hearts and minds as we prepare for worship.

#### THE PRELUDE

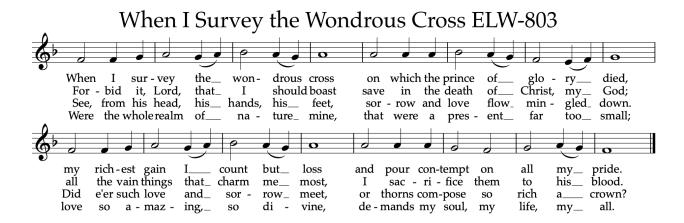
"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

James Biery

# The Liturgy of Gathering

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### THE GATHERING HYMN \*



#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

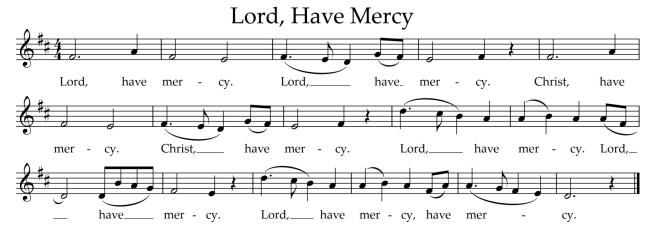
+Blessed be the God of our salvation:

Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Let us pray: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE KYRIE



#### THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

#### And also with you.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated.



#### THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 43:16-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

A brief silence, then:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 In convertendo

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \* then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \* and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, \*
"The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, \* and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \* like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears \* will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \* will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

#### THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES

Philippians 3:4b-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

A brief silence, then:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION \*



### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:1-8

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

#### Glory to you, O Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief;

he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

A brief silence, then:

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

#### THE HOMILY

Stephanie Kopsch

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

It is our custom to light candles for those who are sick or distressed and to remember those who have died. The prayer stations are on either side of the Altar. The refrain is sung once. \*



*Officiant*: During this Season of Lent, we offer these prayers to you, merciful God, trusting that you expect us to reach out to you and that you will lovingly receive what we offer.

Between each petition, we will pause for a few moments to hold each prayer in silence.

*Reader:* For the church of God, that it may be faithful to the Gospel and find ways to speak truth to power.

Silence

For our island home, that our leaders and each of us may be open to what needs to be done to cherish and protect our world.

Silence

For all who seek a deeper faith—especially those in the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal Church, for Presiding Bishop Rowe and our Bishop Kym—that they may lead us through a Holy Lent.

Silence

For the leaders of the world, that they may follow your guidance to discover ways to come together seeking peace.

Silence

For our country, that those in positions of power may discharge their duties faithfully and be mindful of the needs of all the people.

Silence

For those courageous people in our nation and around the world who are standing up for truth and justice.

Silence

For all of us at St. Barnabas, that we may lovingly care for each other. *Silence* 

For all the ways we at St. Barnabas seek to reach out to those in need, especially the St. Francis Center in their service to provide refuge to the homeless in our community.

Silence

For those in any need for whom we have been asked to pray, especially Jill, Margaret, Darryl, Rob, Jane, Irene, Matt and Suzy, Frank, the people of Ukraine, the people of Sudan, all victims of gun violence, the people in the Middle East, those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster and those we name aloud or in silence.

Silence

For those now held completely by you, we pray for their peace and healing for our grief, especially Sam, Leonard, Jan, and those we name aloud or in silence. *Silence* 

*Celebrant:* We offer all these prayers in the confident knowledge that you are responding in your love for all of creation. **Amen.** 

The refrain is sung once more. \*

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A brief silence is kept.

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, +forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All share a greeting of peace.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

# The Liturgy of the Meal

### The Presentation of the Bread and Wine

### **Offertory Music**

Jesus Said, Come, Follow Me

Thomas Keesecker

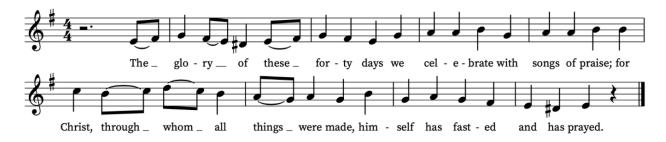
Choir

#### The Presentation of the Gifts

Please stand in body or spirit.

## The Offertory Hymn\*

# The Glory of These Forty Days H-143



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### The Preface and Proper Preface

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

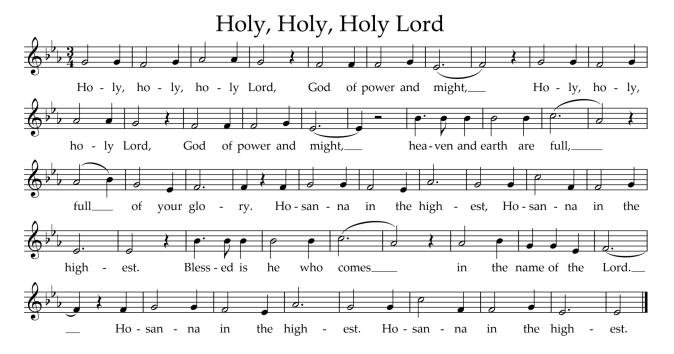
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



#### The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only-begotten One, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

#### The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

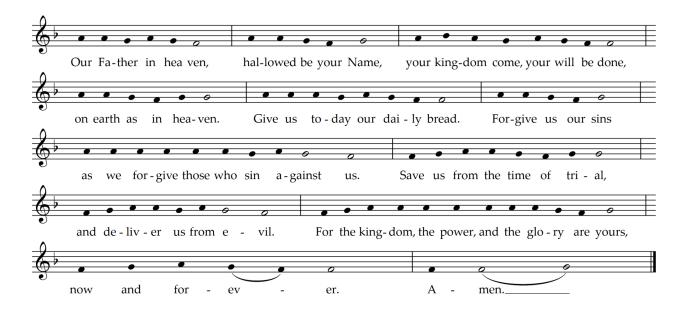
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. +Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Barnabas, blessed Sam, blessed Leonard, blessed Jan, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

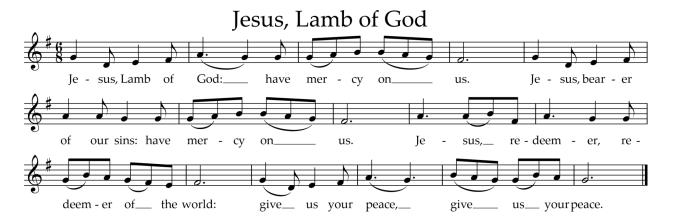
#### The Lord's Prayer

It is our custom to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer.

As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:



### The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem\*



#### The Invitation To Communion

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Receive who you are, and become what you receive.

Please be seated.

This is the table of God. As Jesus welcomed everyone to his table, and so we at St. Barnabas welcome everyone to this table. Gather around the Altar as you are directed. You may stand or kneel as is your custom. The Celebrant will place a wafer into your hand. Gluten free wafers

are available upon request. You have two options to receive the wine. A Chalice Bearer will offer the Common Cup from which you may drink, or you may dip the bread in the wine when a second chalice comes in turn. You may also choose not to partake of the Cup. When you have received the Sacrament, please return to your seat. If you or your children prefer only to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your hands over your chest.

#### **The Music During Communion**

Moving Ground

James Whitbourn

Please stand in body or spirit.

#### THE SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (Occasional)

*N*. in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread, one Cup.

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...Eternal God,

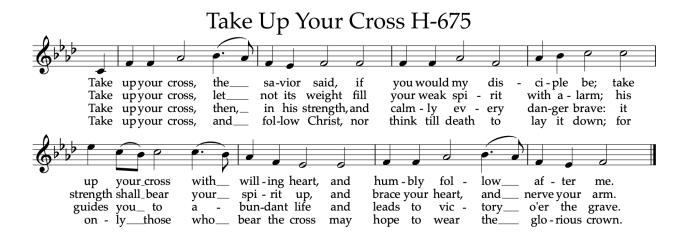
you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Liturgy of Sending

#### THE BLESSING\*\*

On this Lenten journey, may God our tender parent, + God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, guide you and bless you on all your ways. **Amen.** 

#### THE SENDING HYMN



#### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE POSTLUDE

"Let Streams of Living Justice"

Brenda Portman

# St. Barnabas Episcopal Parish

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am to Noon.

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Pastoral AssociateMs. Patti Walter (she/her)Music DirectorMs. Nichole Young (she/her)Parish AdministratorMs. Keisha Masby (she/her)OrganistMs. Ronda Hilton (she/her)BookkeeperMs. Lexi Jones (she/her)

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#### Leadership

Ms. Jolene Whitney, Sr. Warden (she/her)

Mr. Jim Hayes, Jr. Warden (he/him)

Mr. James Henderson (Jamie), Treasurer (he/him)

Mr. David Ford, Clerk of the Vestry (he/him)

Ms. Carolyn Wolfrum, Member of Vestry (2026) (she/her)

Ms. Barb Mattison, Member of Vestry (2026) (she/her)

Dr. Caroline (Carrie) Corrigan, Member of Vestry (2027) (she/her)

Mr. Bill Lundgren, Member of Vestry (2027) (he/him)

Dr. John Graves, Member of Vestry (2028) (he/him)

Ms. Sis Flor, Member of Vestry (2028) (she/her)

#### Welcome to St. Barnabas!

We experience God's redeeming love in all and through all and respond to love through faithful worship, life-long spiritual growth, and committed outreach.

Our community shares a progressive faith, opens our arms to all seekers, and works to make the world more just.

# Those In Need of Prayer

The Hayes family, Dennis Kennedy, Marty and Diana Flahive, Larry Volmert, Selah Kay, Atlee Witt, Meghann and Kai, the Alden family, Brian Reid, Greg Roosevelt, Kate, Jill Schlegal, Margaret Noteman, Darryl Searuggs, Rob, Jane Schmitz, Irene Shepard, Matt and Suzy Stolwyk, Frank Baker, Ellen Janasko, Spencer Mize, Skyler Spettle, Deb Sawtelle, Scott West, Lan Peng and stepson Jackson, Kathy Mordeaux, Betsy Wier, Rachel Lee Nakamoto, Terry, Kitty, the people of Ukraine, the people of Sudan, all victims of gun violence, the people in the Middle East, and those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster.

#### New to the prayer list

#### Those who have died

Sam Nicholson, friend of Patti Walter; Leonard Speer, Jill Bednarek and Jolene Whitney's uncle; Jan Debarthe, Jill and Jolene's mother's cousin. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

# This Week's Parish Schedule

### Sunday, April 6: The Fifth Sunday In Lent

- 9:20 am: Children's Spiritual Formation in the Godly Play Room
- 9:30 am: *Holy Eucharist (sung)* in the Sanctuary
- 11:00 am: Barnabas Forum in Grant Hall

### Tuesday, April 8

- 10:00 am: Staff meeting in the Workroom
- 12:00 pm: Lenten Lunch in Grant Hall

#### Wednesday, April 9

- 10:00 am: Bible Study and Holy Eucharist in the Brady Room
- 12:00 pm: Outreach Committee via Zoom

### Thursday, April 10

• 7:00 pm: Choir rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, April 13: Palm Sunday

• 9:30 am: *Holy Eucharist (sung)* in the Sanctuary

# Birthdays

Michael Jordan April 9 Vivian Rivera April 9 Becky Sanders April 12

# Anniversaries

Mary and Mike Erickson April 7 Patti and Bill Walter April 7

### Announcements

#### **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE**

**April 17: Maundy Thursday** 

• 7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday Eucharist

### **April 18: Good Friday**

- 12:00 pm: Good Friday Service.
- 7:00pm: Tenebrae in the Sanctuary.

# **April 20: The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ: Easter Day**

- 8:15 am 9:15 am: Easter Brunch in Grant Hall.
- 9:30 am: *The Holy Eucharist* (sung) in the Sanctuary.
- 11:00 am: Children's Easter Egg Hunt on the patio.

### 

The Forum Committee has purchased Mariann Edgar Budde books entitled <u>How We Learn to be Brave</u> for the congregation to purchase at cost. We will discuss this book at the Forum at the end of April/beginning of May. If you'd like to purchase a book and read it for these discussions, you can pick one up in Lukens after the service this Sunday. They are \$20. We are looking forward to inspiring discussions on this book at the Forum after Easter!

### 

The St. Francis Center (SFC) is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, a refuge for homeless adults in the metro Denver area. SFC provides shelter along with a myriad of services that enable people to meet their basic survival needs. These services include a daytime shelter, social services, health and wellness, housing and employment. Their goal is to help guests transition out of homelessness into self-sufficiency. Their most recent housing project is a 60-unit supportive housing complex at 2nd Ave. and Federal that serves older low-income adults, often with disabling conditions.

For more information about SFC, and to donate online visit <u>sfcdenver.org</u>. You may also earmark a check to St. Barnabas for "Giving-2-Others" and place it in the offering plate or mail.

# YOUTH GROUP PARTNERS WITH OUTREACH

During the month of April, the Youth Group is collecting much needed items for St. Francis Center as a way of supporting the Outreach Giving 2 Others this month. A list of items needed are in the eNews and on the table in Lukens. Place items in the bins in Lukens labeled "St. Francis Center donations" throughout the month. Thank you for your generosity. You truly make a difference!

# THE FORUM TODAY 11:00 IN GRANT HALL

The Social Justice Committee will lead a discussion on the current legislation and policies at the local, state, and national levels and encourage you to engage on the issues important to you. We will present the legislative priorities of Together Colorado, discuss the Vibrant Denver Bond, and identify important policy issues at the national level.

**Next Sunday**, April 13: No Forum on April 13 or 20.

#### EASTER LIILIES AND SPRING FLOWERS

Would you like to make a special offering to go toward the Easter Flowers that will adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday? Let us know who you would like your donation to be in memory of or in honor of. Sign up on the back table after service in Lukens.

Suggested Donation: \$20

# **SUNDAY, APRIL 20 8:15-9:15**

On Easter Sunday, April 20, St. Barnabas will host its annual Easter brunch in Grant Hall. We provide the eggs and drinks and ask parishioners to bring a bread or fruit item to share. This is a buffet for folks to stop by anytime between 8:15-9:15. It is a great way to begin our Easter celebration together!

#### **CARD MINISTRY**

The Caring Ministry sends cards to members of St. Barnabas who are ill, face surgery, or have lost a loved one. Each Sunday you can find cards to sign outside the sanctuary on the west wall to sign. Thank you for participating in this important ministry!

# ACTION ALERTS FROM THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

For information on the Safeguard American Voter Eligibility Act, & Advocate for Humanitarian Aid for Gaza visit

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/office-government-relations/action-alerts/

Join a weekly zoom call for regular updates on public policy work and an opportunity to ask questions. To register visit

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# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IMMIGRATION ACTION TOOLKIT

The resources on the Episcopal Church website are from many organizations that are active in protecting migrants' rights from multiple perspectives. They address: What to Know, Ways to Help, and Additional Resources.

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/immigratio n-action-toolkit/

Join a weekly zoom call with Episcopal Migration Ministries and other colleagues for this regular update on immigration action. To register visit

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_1GI\_Sz uzT8upEk8QDwnmCg#/registration

# COMMUNITY ADVOCACY

Join a community conversation and take the survey. General obligation (GO) bond programs are used to fund new public parks, recreation centers, libraries, arts and cultural venues, roads, bridges, police stations, and other public facilities. Denver uses bonds to keep pace with public infrastructure needs. GO bonds must be authorized by voters. The Vibrant Denver bond program will not raise taxes.

https://denvergov.org/Government/Citywide-Programs-and-Initiatives/GO-Bonds/2025-Vib rant-Denver-Bond The Denver Art Museum On March 14, President Trump issued an Executive Order that would have devastating effects on the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), a government agency that provides critical funding to museums and libraries in all 50 states. Urge Congress to save the IMLS. https://www.congressweb.com/aam/95/