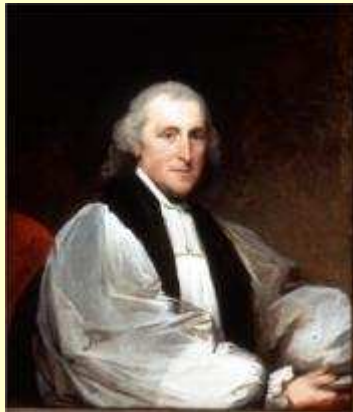


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William White



Bishop of Pennsylvania

William White was born in Philadelphia in 1747. He graduated from college in 1765; and in 1770 went to England where he was ordained deacon on December 23, and priest on April 25, 1772. On his return home, he became assistant minister of Christ and St. Peter's; and in 1779 rector. He also served as chaplain of the Continental Congress from 1777-1789, and then of the United States Senate until 1795. Chosen as the first Bishop of Pennsylvania, he went to England where he was consecrated in Lambeth Chapel in 1787. Bishop White was the chief architect of the Constitution of the American Episcopal Church; he was the Presiding Bishop at its organizing convention in 1789 and again until his death in 1795. His influence in his native city made him its "first citizen."

O Lord, in a time of turmoil and confusion you raised up your servant William White, and endowed him with wisdom, patience, and reconciling temper, that he might lead your Church into ways of stability and peace: Hear our prayer, and give us wise and faithful leaders, that

through their ministry your people may be blessed and your will done; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

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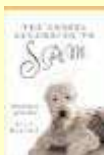
SAVE THE DATES

Jul 26, CHURCH PICNIC AT WHITAKER PARK following the 9:30 AM service, St. Stephen's, Reno.

Aug 3, DEADLINE FOR DESERT SPIRIT ARTICLES. If you have something you would like published please email your submission to hallie.murphy@sbcglobal.net

Aug 16, ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, Pahrump, 10:30 AM. Bishop Dan will lead the congregation in this joyous celebration. Reception with lunch will follow the service. **Please join us!!!**


Sep 3, CHRISTIAN BASICS: An Outline of the Faith (*found in the Book of Common Prayer*) offered by the Frensdorff School beginning Sep 13 at St. Peter's Church in Carson City. This class is open to anyone seeking educational formation into baptismal discipleship. The class will meet twice monthly on Sunday afternoons from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. The first semester (Sep - Dec) will follow the theme "A Community of Revelation." The second semester (Feb - May) will continue with the theme "A Community of Reconciliation." The class facilitator will be Chuck McCray. Please contact frensdorff.school@gmail.com for more information.



Sep 5-6, THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAM; Animal Stories for the Soul, presented by William Miller, Christ Church, Las Vegas. Saturday 5:00 PM - Sermon; Sunday 8:00 AM -Sermon; 9:15 AM - Lecture: *A Conversation with Dog*; 10:30 AM - Sermon. Book signing to follow. For information call 702-735-7655

Oct 3, SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST AND ITS PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS: A Roving Workshop by Bishop Dan, St. Paul's Church, Elko. No Charge. [For Additional Information](#)

Oct 22 - 25, DIOCESAN CONVENTION: I Love To Tell The Story; Keynote Speaker: Fr. Jake aka Fr. Terry Martin. Harvey's Resort & Casino, Lake Tahoe Area. [For Reservations](#)

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Global Economics a "crisis of truthfulness," Archbishop of Canterbury tells convention



"We have lied to ourselves consistently about the possibility of limitless material growth in a limited world. We have denied precisely that ubuntu that this convention seeks to venerate and reinforce."

Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, was the opening speaker at a forum held during last week's General Convention. Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori followed the Archbishop saying, *"We are all interconnected. How we live, how we use our resources...each act has an effect on all our human siblings across the globe. We are beginning to recognize that each of those acts may be more consequential than we had imagined."*

Bishop Jefferts Schori went on to say that the world "is in the midst of a crash course in economic interconnectedness...The excess and greed in this global economic crisis have been biblical in scale. As a human community we all share some responsibility. We've been quick to assert our own need while ignoring the privation nearby."

The Archbishop of Canterbury concluded his remarks by underscoring the need for human beings to grow together *"in liberty and communion [which] is at the heart of what we want to say to the world that is indeed in crisis."*



Desert Angels Health Tip of the Week

Research indicates that there are many benefits to prayer and meditation. When praying or meditating, your heart rate and breathing slow down, your blood pressure normalizes, and you use oxygen more efficiently. Also, your adrenal glands produce less cortisol (the stress hormone), your mind ages at a slower rate, and your immune function improves significantly. Your thought process also clears, and your creativity increases. People who pray and meditate regularly find it easier to give up life-damaging habits like smoking and various other addictions.

News Briefs



Bishop Dan's Blog - "Why are readers from Hong Kong, Canada, California, and Virginia commenting on Bishop Dan's blog? Check it out. <http://www.bishopdansblog.blogspot.com>

Food Drive at Christ Church, Las Vegas. Please remember when you go to the grocery store to pick up a couple of items for the Food Pantry at Christ Church, or the Christ Church Homeless Youth Shelter. Homeless youth cannot get food from the Adult Food Pantry. The teens need foods that are eat-and-go items. Place the teen food donations in the cart on the organ side of the church. Both teens and adult need bottled water. Thank you.

I am an Episcopalian - [Ministry Is What It's All About](#)

Episcopal Recovery Ministries in Nevada is in formation and will have its first meeting at Diocesan Convention in October. If you would like to participate in this ministry, or have questions, please contact Kathie Knutson Meier at knutenote@cox.net (702-684-6444 or 253-250-9531), or have a look at the home page <http://www.episcopalrecoveryministries.org>

Diocesan Convention, Harvey's, South Lake Tahoe - Thursday, Oct. 22 - Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009.
Theme: I Love to Tell the Story. Keynote Speaker: Fr. Jake, aka Fr. Terry Martin. When you book your room online there is NO FEE. [Online Booking](#)



A Bus Trip to Lake Tahoe for the Diocesan Convention in October will be sponsored by St. Matthew's, Las Vegas. For information, or to make a reservation, contact Thelma Northrup at (702)-889-3929; or email stmatts@embarqmail.com

Resolution Committee Formed - The Resolution Committee for the Diocesan Convention 2009 has formed. The members are: Rev. Victoria Daniel Riley, Chair; Rev. Helen McPeak; Fred Lee; and Margaret Bouzek. All resolutions must be submitted to Rev. Riley not less than 90 days prior to the first day of the convention. Please submit resolutions via email to vriley@nevadajustice.org, or by U.S. mail to Rev. Victoria Daniel Riley, 2769 Wellington North, Carson City, NV 89703.

Desert Angels - A Parish Nursing Program of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. This is a new ministry whose mission is to bring health and healing to the parish communities of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. The group will have a booth and planning meeting at the October convention. If you are interested in learning more, or joining us, please contact Clelia Garrity at 775-253-5579.



The Following Groups will meet during Convention on Saturday, Oct 24 from 1:30 - 3:30 PM: Episcopal Recovery Ministries; Episcopal Church Women; Desert Angels: Health Care Ministries; Parish Treasurers; Mission Support Team; Ministry Development Commission; Green Team: Environmental Ministries; Faith & Visual Arts Ministries.

Bishop Dan encourages those interested in these ministries to attend even if they are not otherwise involved in Convention.

Strategic Planning Committee maps the future for the Episcopal Church

A newly formed Strategic Planning Committee is at work soliciting opinions from throughout The Episcopal Church. Among the areas addressed are: evangelism; multi cultural issues; worship; music and liturgy; youth and young adults; mission; leadership; advocacy; and social justice. **To access the survey:** http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=Wu5175KPqOhmGku87xaL6a_3D_3D

The Bishop Wes Frensdorff School of Christian Formation: A new Education Venture of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. The school's mission is *To bring together all Nevada Episcopalians for Christian formation, empowering each other to live deeply into our Baptismal Covenant in our relationships, service in daily life, and witness to the world.* To learn more [Contact](#).

The Beauty of God's Holiness: A Liturgical Art Exhibit at General Convention, Presented by the National Altar Guild. [For Further Information](#)

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Persons interested in the ministry of communications may contact [Barbara](#), [Hallie](#), or [Karl](#) to get involved.

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