

Office of Spiritual and Religious Life

Weekly News and Programs 4.1.20

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 5, 11:00 a.m. (EDT), Zoom

The Rev. Dr. Arun W. Jones

Dan and Lillian Hankey Associate Professor of World Evangelism, Candler School of Theology

Join us via Zoom at https://emory.zoom.us/j/857899939.



GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 10, 12:00 p.m. (EDT), Zoom

Join us for a service of music, readings, prayers and silence centered on Jesus, the Christ.

Join us via Zoom at https://emory.zoom.us/j/659033100.



EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 12, 11:00 a.m. (EDT), Zoom

The Rev. Dr. Robert M. Franklin, Jr.

James T. and Berta R. Laney Professor in Moral Leadership, Candler School of Theology

Join us via Zoom at https://emory.zoom.us/j/857899939.



Beloved Community Worship: Holy Week 2020

For more information, please email religiouslife@emory.edu or visit www.religiouslife.emory.edu.



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Additional Holy Week 2020 Services at Emory

Virtual Holy Week with Candler

Sunday, April 5-Saturday, April 11, 2020

Join Candler School of Theology for devotional moments during Holy Week:

Facebook - Candler Office of Worship

Instagram - Candler Worship

Twitter - @CandlerWorship

Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church

Keep up to date with Glenn Memorial Church (GMC) by referring to their <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u> <u>page</u>.

For the latest GMC blog post (4.1.20) by Glenn Senior Pastor The Rev. Mark Westmoreland, please click <u>here</u>.

University Catholic Center

Keep up to date with University Catholic Center by referring to their website and Facebook page.



OSRL Online Resources During COVID-19

During this time of COVID19, University Spiritual and Religious Life is committed to continuing to adapt and advance our mission of supporting spiritual and ethical life and building meaningful community and connection at Emory and beyond.

We've created a webpage for OSRL Online Resources during COVID-19.

This evolving page includes the following:

Weekly Online Programs and Services

- · Finding Support and Pastoral Care
- Other Resources for Support: CAPS, FSAP, DOEI, Ombuds
- · Opportunities for Serving and Supporting Others

Other items coming soon include:

- Additional Faculty and Staff Resources
- · Academic Accommodations for Religious Observance During Remote Learning
- Update on Baccalaureate for the Class of 2020

For questions, please contact religiouslife@emory.edu.

View OSRL Online Resources During COVID-19 Here

Emory Buddhist Club VIRTUAL MEDITATION

Thursdays through term, 6:00 p.m. (EDT), Zoom

All are welcome to try out mindfulness and meditation practice with Emory Buddhist Club on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. Eastern via Zoom. No experience is needed. Come relax and focus, and explore the workings of our minds. Emory Buddhist Club is a student-led initiative, and everyone is invited to participate.

To join via zoom, please go to: https://emory.zoom.us/j/515025945.

For more information, please contact emorybuddhistclub@gmail.com or go to https://www.facebook.com/emorybuddhistclub/.







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Emory Buddhist Club Virtual Meditation

Thursdays through term, 6:00 p.m. EDT, Zoom

All are welcome to try out mindfulness and meditation practice with Emory Buddhist Club (EBC) on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. No experience is needed. Come relax and focus, and explore the workings of our minds.

This week, EBC is pleased to welcome back Michael Elliston Roshi from the Atlanta Soto Zen Center. He will be leading three meditation/reflection sessions throughout the rest of this semester, on the topic of "Taking Refuge in the Three Treasures - Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha". Over the next several weeks, he plans to facilitate discussion on the value of sustaining community, studying teachings, and practicing Zen meditation.

In order to support our teachers during these uncertain times, we request that you consider

making a donation each week to their respective organizations. Atlanta Soto Zen Center has a Paypal account (webpayments@aszc.org) where donations can be made.

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Join Virtual Buddhist Meditation Here

Bias During the COVID19 Pandemic: A Message from the Emory School of

Medicine

Sadly, we have become aware of a steep rise in the expression of anti-Asian bias and blatant harassment across the US and globally related to fear amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. Such behaviors have also been reported to impact faculty, healthcare workers, staff and trainees at a time when they are challenged to protect the public's health and save lives under extremely stressful circumstances.



Please be aware that harassment within our School of Medicine community will not be tolerated. Indeed, harassment of any person or group of persons on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, handicap, or veteran's status is a form of discrimination specifically prohibited in the Emory University community.

Read the full message here.

Upcoming Spiritual Life Programs



Emory Muslim Community Check In

Friday, April 3, 6:30 p.m. Eastern, Zoom

Let us continue as a community in a time of quarantine and online learning. We will be discussing experiences in quarantine, class registration, encouraging feedback on past and future events, how to have a meaningful Ramadan at a time for social distancing, and sharing information about elections. Emory MSA and GMSC will be presenting important updates, so please join in by registering here.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. For questions, please contact <u>Dr. Isam Vaid</u>, <u>Hayat Geresu</u>, and <u>Aisha Mahmood</u>.

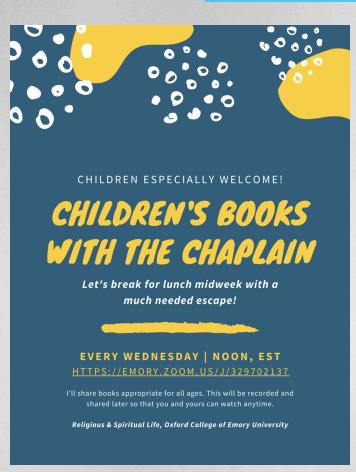
Register for Emory Muslim Community Check In Here



Dr. Isam Vaid, Muslim Religious Life Scholar, Office of Spiritual and Religious Life

The nomination deadline for the Isam Vaid Lifetime MSA Achievement Award has been extended to April 7. The Isam Vaid Lifetime MSA Achievement Award is given to an individual or individuals who, throughout their tenure as students, have consistently exemplified excellence. Please take the time to fill this out to recognize deserving graduate and undergraduate graduating seniors.

Nominate By April 7 Here

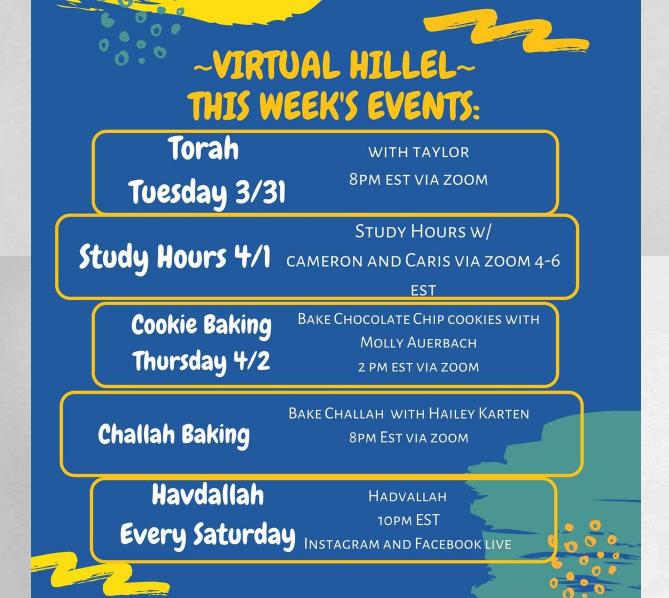


Children's Books with the Chaplain Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m. Eastern, Zoom

The Rev. Lyn Pace of the Oxford College of Emory University invites you to a weekly reading of children's books every Wednesday through the term. We will share books appropriate for all ages. Each session will be recorded and shared later so that you and yours can watch anytime.

Bring your lunch and join us on Zoom at zoom.us/j/329702137 on Wednesdays at noon.

For questons, please contact <u>The Rev. Dr</u> <u>Lyn Pace</u>.



Virtual Hillel - This Week's Events

Tuesday, March 31-Saturday, April 4, 2020

Torah Tuesday

Tuesday, March 31, 8:00 p.m., via Zoom

Join Taylor for some meaningful discussion in this weekly Torah talk. Join the Zoom Meeting at <u>zoom.us/j/350240740</u>.

Study Hours

Wednesday, April 1, 4:00-6:00 p.m., via Zoom

We're taking our cram sessions virtual. Hillel invites you to come to our study hours this Wednesday. Join the Zoom Meeting at zoom.us/j/682512269.

Cooking Class Thursday

Thursday, April 2, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom

Let's bake cookies together from our own kitchens. Make sure you buy the ingredients beforehand. Our very own Molly Auerbach will lead us step by step.

Join us on Zoom at zoom.us/j/564909927. Find the ingredients and join the Facebook event here.

Havdallah thru the Phone

Saturday, April 4, 10:00 p.m., via Instagram

Who said self-quarantine means you have to be by yourself? Let's get together (online) and end Shabbat on the right note. Keep an eye out for Emory Hillel to go LIVE on Instagram @emoryhillel and FB for a Hadvallah ceremony Saturday evening.



Reformed Christian Fellowship - Upcoming Events

Virtual Large Group, April 1, 8:00 p.m.

(EDT): Join us for Scripture, prayer, and small group discussions via Zoom! Click <u>here</u> or use meeting ID: 730 145 009

Thursday Lunch, April 2, 12:30 p.m. (EDT): While we can't gather together physically to share a meal, we invite you to join us for lunch via Zoom tomorrow afternoon. <u>Use this link</u> or meeting ID: 310 342 822

Small groups: Times and topics vary, but we encourage you to reach out to Stephen, Laura, Merrianna, or Joseph for more information.

- 1-on-1 meetings If you'd like to connect with any of our campus staff for prayer, discussion, or just to catch up, please reach out to Stephen, Laura, Merrianna, or Joseph for more information.
- RUF Prayer Request Form

<u>For more information, or questions, please contact RUF minister Stephane Maginas or go to the RUF website here.</u>



University Catholic Center

Serving Emory University, Oxford College, and Agnes Scott College

University Catholic Center - Remote Fellowship Opportunities

While we may have been physically scattered across the country due to the coronavirus, it doesn't prevent us from being able to pray and grow in faith together. We've set up a few recurring events that you can join in on from your computer or phone: https://emory.zoom.us/j/434321715

- Rosary Night Mondays at 6:00 p.m.
- Game Night Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

- Quaero Discussion Group Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. (3/25 and 4/1)
- · Bible Study Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, please click here.

UKirk Atlanta Zoom Lunch

Tuesdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m., via Zoom

The mission of <u>UKirk Atlanta</u> is to energize, coordinate, and develop relationship-based ministries on Atlanta area college campuses and to build connections between college students and PC(USA) congregations. In light of COVID-19, we invite you to have lunch with us every Tuesday. Pop by and chat with friends. Join us at https://zoom.us/j/264871422. We hope to see you there.

Emory Adventist Christian Fellowship (Emory ACF)

Emory ACF is glad to help support the Emory community with the following activities:

Prayer Line

Would you like for someone to pray with or for you or someone else? Then please call our prayer line available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: 770-695-7773.



Weekly Virtual Bible Study

Emory ACF Zoom Bible study 7:30-8:30 p.m., Friday evenings through the end of the term.

Everyone is welcome to join in for weekly fellowship, encouragement from the Word, and prayer. Join at: https://emory.zoom.us/j/688621103

Meeting ID: 688 621 103

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Please feel free to reach out with other needs or questions to <u>Diana Marsh</u>, Emory ACF President or <u>Margo Bagley</u>, Emory ACF Faculty Advisor.

Opportunities

"This Quarantined Life Podcast" Sponsored by Bread Coffeehouse

Deadline: Every Thursday

In the midst of everything that is changing and uncertain right now, we want you to know that your Bread family is still here for you. Each week, two of our staff members will get together to do what we love to do: share stories.

Stories of what's going on in our lives right now, stories from the Bible, and stories from our pasts. We believe this is especially important when we're separated, because we believe that stories bring us together.

Also, check in each Friday to hear "This Quarantined Life," where we share stories from our students, both current and former, of what is giving them hope and joy in this current moment.

We're asking any current or former Emory student to record themselves on their notes app on their



phones for 1 minute. We'd like them to share their name, where they're from/are right now, what they are anxious about and what is bringing them joy right now. Try to keep it at a minute. Then upload it to the <u>Google Drive folder here</u> with the file as their name. For each week's Friday podcast, we'd need files by Thursday.

New episodes will be available each Monday, so grab a cup of coffee, sit back, and enjoy. Find the podcast <u>here.</u>

Emory Hillel 2020 Student Board Application

Deadline: April 17

Join Hillel's Fall Leadership Team. We are working on setting up a new leadership team and that means we are looking for more student leaders who want to get involved and let Hillel be their outlet to create the programs they want to see on campus.

We are transitioning to a committee based leadership structure. This means you can be involved in Hillel leadership in a lower commitment way, and just commit to the programs and experiences that you are passionate about. Of course if you are looking for a larger commitment and more extensive leadership opportunities, we have those opportunities for you as well.

If you are interested, you can find more information about each position and apply <u>here</u> by April 17.

Partner Programs

VIRTUAL Queer Discussion Groups

Please email facilitators for the link to the Zoom chat!

Bi-Pandemonium - Mondays at 6PM EST Facilitator: Arianna Murray (Arianna.murray@emory.edu)

This group discusses the joys and challenges of being a bisexual or pansexual person on Emory's campus.

Open to all students who identify as bi- or pansexual.

Queer Men - Tuesdays at 7PM EST

Facilitators: Connor Innes &Estaban Anacona (Connor.innes@emory.edu & esteban.jose.ancona@emory.edu)

Open to people who identify as queer men to engage in conversation and support.

Queer Women - Wednesdays at 5PM EST Facilitator: Yemko Pryor (tempo.pryor@emory.edu)

Open to people who identify as queer women, including but not limited to lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Emory community members.

Aces & Aros - Wednesdays at 4PM EST

Facilitator: Emiricus Brown-Murillo Gonzalez (emir.brown@emory.edu)

Open to people who are on the asexual and/or aromantic spectrums, or who are questioning.

Trans-forming Gender - WEEKEND TBD

Facilitator: Karissa Kang (Karissa.kang@emory.edu)

Open to people who identify as genderqueer, transgender, transsexual, gender nonconforming, or gender questioning.

Virtual Queer Discussion Groups

In this time, the Office of LGBT Life is committed to continuing our support, advocacy, and community building efforts in creating inclusive environments for LGBTQ students. White we are unable to connect in-person, we are hopeful to engage with you all virtually. To that end, we are excited to share new engagement opporunities.

Every day of the week, there will be a new virtual discussion group for various LGBTQ groups that people identify with. Please email the facilitators for the link to the Zoom chat.

CAPS VIRTUAL WORKSHOP SERIES

Zoom in Fridays at 2 pm For Zoom Info: bit.ly/emorycaps

APRIL 10 MANAGING STRESS & ANXIETY DURING COVID-19

Feeling Stressed? Navigating life during uncertain times while trying to succeed at online learning can be hard! This workshop will help you learn new stress management tools and creatively implement your old coping strategies while physical distancing.

APRIL 17 SOCIAL DISTANCING = SOCIAL ISOLATION

Want to increase your sense of connection while social distancing? Want to feel more seen and understood in your relationships? Want to better communicate with your support network? This workshop will provide specific tools focused on enhancing your social well-being while physically distant.

APRIL 24 PREPARE FOR PROCRASTINATION!

Is procrastination getting in the way of you completing your homework, studying for your upcoming finals, cleaning your room, or attending your classes on Zoom? This workshop will help you identify what perpetuates your cycle of procrastination and develop tangible skills to break the cycle.

Questions? Contact mpalan2@emory.edu or elizabeth.neri@emory.edu



Counseling and Psychological Services Campus Life

CAPS Virtual Workshop Series

Fridays in April, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) remains open and has fully transitioned to offering telehealth clinical services via HIPAA compliant Zoom for Emory enrolled students. Students can call CAPS at 404-727-7450, Monday-Friday, 8:30-5:00, to speak with a counselor on-call or to talk with a member of our triage team who can assess needs and help with next steps. Students who have alreadt connected with a CAPS counselor this year can reach out to them directly.

For Zoom information, please click here.

Office of LGBT Life: Virtual Drop-In Hours



Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 3:00-4:30 p.m., via Zoom

This platform is new for all of us so come on by to create a space that works for you.

This space can be a place to catch up with friends, ask us questions, process emotions, and/or have a dance-off!

Zoom Link: emory.zoom.us/j/516520311

Office For R.A.C.E: Virtual Drop-In Hours

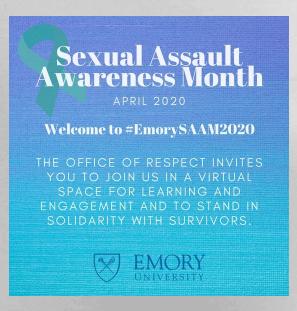
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:00-6:00 p.m., via Zoom

For the rest of the semester, the Office for RACE staff will be hosting drop-in hours for community members who want to chat with us.

Come say hey. Ask questions. Get support.

Zoom Link: https://emory.zoom.us/j/106406245





Sexual Assault Awareness Month April 2020

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Programs look different this year our commitment to ending violence remains strong.

Follow us for more ways to engage:
#emorysaam2020 #saam2020 #30daysofsaam
#believesurvivors #supportsurvivors
#sexualassaultawarenessmonth #officeofrespect
#emoryuniversity #tagyourteal #showusyourteal

OSRL Student Worker Spotlight

The Student Worker Program provides the opportunity to learn about the multifaith work of the

Office of Spiritual and Religious Life and to assist our chaplains and staff in fulfilling essential functions that support our programs and services. Responsibilities include hospitality and communications, data and record management, web and publications work, and special event staffing and support.

For more information, please click here.

Sarah Claire Swiderski

Class Year: Second Year Undergraduate

Major/Minor: Neuroscience and Behavioural Biology BS,

Creative Writing BA

Interests/Extracurricular Activities: Student Theater, Concert Choir, Bread Coffeehouse, Undergraduate

Literary Publishing

Why did you want to join the OSRL staff community? The OSRL position gives me a unique opportunity to interact with the different spiritual communities on campus. I highly value the services and meditation spaces that we provide through the office,



and being in the AMUC puts me near a lot of valuable offices at Emory. It's good to be reminded of the different resources available to students when I come into work every day, and I'm glad to be working in an office that I really care about.

Upcoming Religious Holidays and Festivals

These events are drawn from the multifaith calendar maintained by the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life at Harvard Divinity School. To see more upcoming religious holidays and festivals, please click <u>here</u>.

Great Lent

Ongoing through Saturday, 4.18.2020

Tradition: Christianity-Orthodox

In Orthodox churches, the first day of Lent marks the beginning of the Great Fast, the final six weeks of a 10-week period leading up to Holy Week and Easter (Pascha). In the churches that follow the Gregorian calendar, Lent is a six-week observance (40 days excluding Sundays) beginning with Ash Wednesday and culminating in Holy Week. It is a time of repentance and sacrifice in preparation for Easter.

Ramanavami

Thursday, 4.2.2020

Tradition: Hinduism

Celebrates the birthday of Rama, the seventh incarnation of the God Vishnu. The Ramayana, one of the Hindu epics that tells the story of Rama, is read during the previous eight days.

Mahavir Jayanti

Sunday, 4.5.2020 Tradition: Jainism

Celebrates the birthday of Lord Mahavira. Born with the name Vardhamana in ca. 599 BCE, he

was later given the titles of honor, Mahavira ("Great Hero") and Jina ("Conqueror" or "Victor"), a title applied also to the other Tirthankaras.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, 4.5.2020

Tradition: Christianity-Protestant, Christianity-Roman Catholic

Celebrates the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, marking the beginning of Holy Week that culminates in Easter or Pascha. In some churches, Palm Sunday is combined with the anticipation of Christ's death and so is also known as "Passon Sunday." Orthodox Christians often observe this Sunday on a date different from the date on which Protestant and Roman Catholics observe it.

Anniversary of the Founding of the Church

Monday, 4.6.2020

Tradition: Latter Day Saints

Annual World General Conference of the Church held on Saturday and Sunday closest to this date each year.

Laylat al-Bara'ah

Wednesday, 4.8.2020

Tradition: Islam

Beginning at sundown, God approaches the Earth to call humanity and to grant forgiveness of sins. This night of repentance is observed on the 14th day of the lunar month of Sha'ban.

Passover (Pesach)

Wednesday, 4.8 - Thursday, 4.16.2020

Tradition: Judaism

Commemorates the deliverance of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. It is celebrated for eight days with special prayers and symbolic foods at home, starting with the Seder, a ritual meal that re-enacts that ancient deliverance and emphasizes the freedom of the Jews under the guidance of God. The first two and the last two days are holidays. Begins at sundown, March 29; ends at sundown, April 7.

Holy Thursday/Maundy Thursday

Thursday, 4.9.2020

Tradition: Christianity-Protestant, Christianity-Roman Catholic

Commemorates the institution of the Lord's Supper/the Eucharist by Jesus prior to his arrest and execution. "Maundy" is derived from the Latin text of John 13:34, in which Jesus gives a mandatum novum ("new commandment"). The date observed by Protestants and Roman Catholics differs from the date observed by Orthodox Christians.

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