

What is 40 Days of Discernment?

- A process for guiding our parish through a time of seeking the Lord's will for:
 - Our place within the Anglican Communion
 - Our expressed relationship with The Episcopal Church.



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What 40 Days is *not*.

- An extended Bible study
- A prayer meeting
- A discipleship/training program
- A way to delay making a decision



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How will we seek the Lord's will?

- In community
- Through His Holy Spirit, His Word, prayer and fasting
- In honesty, openness and seriousness
- With compassion for one another



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What will 40 Days entail?

- Opportunities for:
 - Adult Education
 - Small groups
 - Sermons
 - Daily devotionals
 - Prayer, meditation and fasting
 - Discussion
 - Feedback
 - Parish meeting



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What are our goals?

- Hearing and trusting in the Lord together, through prayer, study and listening.
- True, corporate consensus around our the best direction for our parish during this complex time.



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What is in the 40 Days Guidebook?

- Understanding the Crisis
- The Importance of Being Anglican
- An Intractable Conflict?
- Truth and Unity
- Grieving, Healing and Change
- Choosing Our Future



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