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Report to Diocesan Convention

## **Episcopal Recovery Ministries**

Following Diocesan Convention in 2019, the Episcopal Recovery Ministries (ERM) Committee was reformed. The committee currently comprises the following people:

- The Rev. Barbi Click, Deacon at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral - St. Louis - [bgclick@gmail.com](mailto:bgclick@gmail.com)
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ERM exists as a resource for people seeking information, guidance, and consolation in their struggles with substance abuse. ERM focuses on the person who is addicted and on the people who are affected by another's addiction. ERM offers information to enable all those affected by addiction to find the help they seek.

During 2020, ERM created a website at [www.ermdiocesemo.org](http://www.ermdiocesemo.org) containing links to resources throughout the state of Missouri, such as:

- Times and locations of meetings for addicts and family members
- Detoxification, rehabilitation, and housing facilities
- Pain management groups for chronic pain sufferers whose access to opioids has been adversely affected because of the addiction crisis

ERM committee members have undergone Narcan training and are currently pursuing the acquisition of Narcan for each parish in the Diocese. This activity has been complicated by church closures due to Covid.

We welcome ideas and suggestions for improving the website and our service to the Diocesan community. Substance abuse is a major issue in American society. But there is help and there is hope.

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