



The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, January 12, 2017

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church!

The Altar Flowers are given by Pam Holt, for the glory of God and in memory of Tom Holt.

Mark Your Calendars:
Church Annual Meeting
Sunday, January 29, 2017
4:00pm

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Morning Prayer

Join us every Tuesday and Thursday for Morning Prayer at 7 am in the Side Chapel, led by The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew.

Afternoon Bible Study

Monday Noon Bible Study had changed its name and meeting time to Afternoon Bible Study and will meet Monday's at 12:15 pm in the Library.

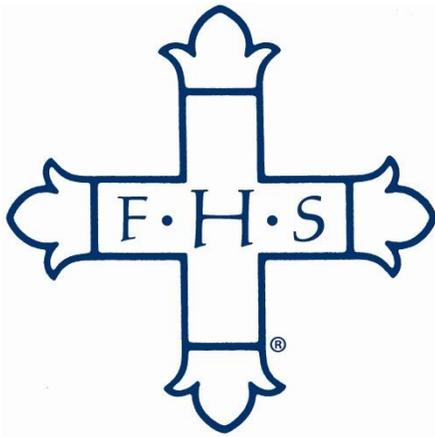


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Junior Daughters of the King

We are very excited to announce The Imogene Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King is forming the first Junior Daughters Chapter in the Diocese of Arkansas. The Candlelight Service of Preparation for Membership was held at St. Peter's on Dec. 4 for five girls. Junior Directress is Gloria Parker. Assistant Directress is Dinah Reed.

Pictured are Directress Gloria Parker, Claudia Wiltgen, Amy Rice, The Rev. Hap Hoffman, Deacon Peggy Cromwell, Isabel Ruckle, Hannah Ruckle, and Dinah Reed Assistant Directress and President of the Diocese of Arkansas. (Not pictured, Jaylee Garrett-Jones)



Junior Daughters of the King
January 15, 2017
12:00pm

Junior Daughters of the King will meet for lunch and study session from 12:00-1:00 in the EFM room across from the Library this Sunday, January 15. For more information contact Gloria Parker at gwparker51@yahoo.com

Daughters of the King
January 22, 2017
12:00pm
Library

The Order of the Daughters of the King's Imogene Chapter will host a Meet and Greet Gathering on January 22nd at 12:00 p.m in the church Library. Any women of St. Peter's who are interested in learning more about DOK or becoming a member are invited to stop by and visit with members about the Order. A 2017 Discernment class will begin on February 5. For more information you may contact Pam Holt at tholt@conwaycorp.net or any DOK member



Servant Leadership School of Conway
presents "Saturdays for Centering"

When: From 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on February 11, April 8 and May 13, 2017

Where: Morgan House,

Who: Led by Catherine Crews, a retreat leader from Russellville who is commissioned by Contemplative Outreach

What: During the first Saturday, Catherine will lead us in a reflection on which contemplative practices speak the most to us. As we revisit the study of the enneagram, we realize we are different in the ways we experience God's presence. What are those differences? What do we have in common? We will have time for individual reflection, as well as group discussions. Please join us as we listen for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and possibly choose to make changes in our daily practices.

Cost: There is no registration fee; however, we ask that you speak to or email Caroline Scott, Judy Helm or Rita Mackintosh if you plan to attend. There will be an opportunity to contribute non-perishable items or cash to St. Peter's Food Pantry. Snacks and drinks will be provided; registrants are encouraged to bring a sack lunch if they so wish.

Please put these dates on your calendar and prayerfully consider joining us at one, two, or all three Saturdays.

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St. Peter's Inaugural Lecture Series
Dr. Donna Bowman
Monday, January 16, 2017
Parish Hall

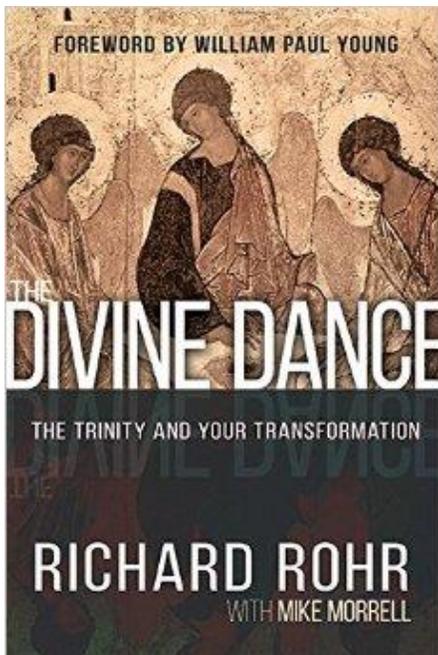
Dr. Donna Bowman will discuss:

**He spoke as One with Authority:
What Jesus Reveals about the Nature of God's Power**

Dr. Bowman states: The Christian church has struggled since the time of Constantine with the notions of power and authority. What relationship do these concepts have to the gospel message? How should Christians treat the "powers that be," the authorities over them? Is God's will done on earth, as it is in heaven, because of an exercise of power? We will discuss the idea of "the uncontrolling love of God." If Jesus is the full revelation of God, what does his birth, life, teaching, death, and resurrection show us about divine power, and how should we apply these lessons to ourselves and our institutions?

Dr. Bowman is Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies in the Norbert O. Schedler Honors College at the University of Central Arkansas.

A Reception honoring Dr. Bowman will follow the lecture.



Wednesday Book Club Lunch
The Divine Dance by Richard Rohr
12:00pm
Library

January 18 pp 59 - 82
January 25 pp 83 - 108
(up to The Many Belong to One)
February 1 pp 108 - 136
(up to What about the Wrath of God?)
February 8 pp 136 - 160
(up to Do we have to talk about Sin?)
February 15 pp 160 - 194

The Grounds of Being: Exploring the World's Religions

When: Mondays, 5:30 to 6:30 pm, beginning January 9th
Where: Downtown Blue Sail in Conway
Who: Sponsored by Conway Interfaith Network, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, & Fat Soul International
Why: Because there's wisdom all around, and we're all in it together.

Led by Dr. Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

Enjoy an opportunity to learn about the World's Religions over a cup of coffee. In each session Dr. McDaniel introduces a few key ideas from a religious tradition and facilitates open discussion. The spirit is relaxed and exploratory. The discussions are open to the public, and everyone is welcome.

January 9: Hinduism
January 16: Buddhism
January 23: Judaism
January 30: Christianity
February 6: Daoism
February 13: Confucianism
February 20: Islam
February 27: Native American Religions
March 6: Baha'i
March 13: Unitarian Universalism
March 20: Humanism and Atheism

Blue Sail Coffee is located at 1028 Front Street in Downtown Conway.

Bible Quest

Start the New Year off with a Bible Study. Bible Quest a Journey through the Christian Scriptures is a discussion of the books of the New Testament. Join the group Monday, January 2, at 12:15 in the Church Library OR Thursday, January 5, at 7 pm at the Morgan House. The study is design so participants may join the discussion at any time. Contact Joe Arn at 501-796-0121 for additional information.

Adult Forum

January 15, 22 and 29 - Donna Bowman leading us in the following topic:
WHAT'S YOUR HERESY? 5 Popular Christian Notions That Orthodoxy Condemns

In the wake of the Protestant Reformation, Catholic Inquisitors were stunned to discover that heterodox beliefs -- incorrect doctrine -- were rampant in the ordinary worshipers they examined. But given the popularity of those same heresies today, among worshipers who likewise have no idea they are dissenting from official teaching, we can see the appeal of common-sense beliefs about God, Jesus, salvation, ritual, and human destiny. In this series we'll look at five popular ways of thinking today that would have gotten you tortured in the Inquisition, but we won't judge! Instead our aim is to discover why people find the orthodox versions difficult to understand and substitute their own interpretations, and to empower you to decide whether your personal heresies are worth owning and embracing.

Wednesday Noon Book Study

Book Study will start on January 4, 2017. We will read Richard Rohr's The Divine Dance. Bring your lunch and read the Introduction and Forward to discuss.

New Circle of Trust

You are invited to join a new Circle of Trust starting January 2017

A Circle of Trust is a community of friends who, through a process of shared exploration, learn a loving, respectful alternative to everyday pressures. CoT is an opportunity to nurture new ways of communicating while engaging in personal and social transformation. Parker Palmer's book "A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life" will be our starting point.

If you are interested in CoT, please attend our first meeting on Tuesday, January 17 at 6:50 p.m. in the Morgan House. If you have questions, contact any member of the Servant Leadership School or the church office.

Sponsored by the Servant Leadership School

PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY



Parish Anniversary Celebration on the Feast of the Confession of St. Peter

January 18 marks the 5 Year Anniversary of when St. Peter's Mission applied for "Parish" status in the Diocese of Arkansas on the Feast of the Confession of our namesake - St. Peter! To celebrate this wonderful occasion we will be holding a special service on Wednesday, January 18 at 7PM, followed by a Champagne and Dessert Reception.

Milolika Inyutkina

by Jennifer Dementyeva

Milolika Inyutkina was born in Temirtau city (Kazakhstan) on 05.24.2014. Her mother (23 year old at that time) had a healthy pregnancy, and the delivery was not expected to be risky. Right in the process of delivery the mother was told by doctors that the girl had a double loop of cord that could cause hypoxia. Mom had a hard time pushing and the doctors pressed mom's belly to help get the baby out. The girl seemed to be born healthy, but during her first two days of life she could not sleep, did not cry but only moaned. On the third day she had a cerebral hemorrhage.

Since then Milolika has had significant development delays. Her diagnosis is Spastic Tetraparesis because of brain damage that was caused to her during labor.

Today Milolika is 2.5 years old. She cannot sit, walk, or talk. Her father survives on low income, and her mother stays home with Milolika and her 7 months old brother. They have collected about \$1400 with help from people from Kazakhstan and Russia. They also sold their car for \$1000 to make it possible to go to a one month long treatment in a China military hospital (in Urumchi city) in November 2016. This is the second time the girl has been taken to hospital for a month long treatment. Because of her previous treatment she learned to hold her head upright. It is desirable that her next treatment be this Spring while she is still under 3 years old - that is what doctors say can bring greatest results. A month long treatment in hospital costs about \$3000 including travel and living expenses.

If it is possible to somehow help this family in any way - it can be money for the hospital treatment or equipment for Cerebral Palsy children, that will be greatly appreciated by the family.

You can see many details about Milolika and her brother from mom's page on baby forum:

<http://www.baby.ru/u/usr38097/>

If you are interested in any details about Milolika's case, I will be happy to help to translate more posts about that from her mom's page or ask her mom about that again and translate her answers to you.

Jennifer Dementyeva

Art, Pray, Love

Join us for the 9th annual Art Pray Love- Art Show and Auction scheduled for Saturday, January 28, 2017. The event will be from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church at 925 Mitchell Street in Conway. Tickets will go on sale after Christmas and can be purchased from the church office or between services. Ticket prices are \$25 a piece or \$45 per couple before the event and \$30 a piece and \$50 per couple at the door day of the event. There are also discounted children's tickets.

Event Details:

1. Artists will display their works for purchase
2. Silent Auction and wine pull
3. Authentic Guatemalan extravaganza market
4. Food and drink

All proceeds from the event will go to St. Peter's Guatemalan Medical Mission.

Contact Pansy Westrich for questions about the event and contact Marianne Welch for questions about the medical mission.

Wine Needed for Art, Pray, Love

Donations of wine are needed for the artists' dinner on January 25, 2017. You can drop off bottles of wine at the church office. Since the office staff will be holding on to the wine until that night, Jerusalem Greer likes a full bodied red wine, John Churchwell likes a crisp Chardonnay,

Altar Flowers 2017

The calendar to reserve your special date for altar flowers in 2017 is available on the lobby bulletin board. Sign up early to get your first choices! Thanks to everyone who donated altar flowers this year. They were beautiful and made our worship services even more special.



Hookers and Knitters Needed!

Do you possess a moderate to keen talent with crochet hooks or knitting needles? Then we need you!

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is looking for new members, patterns and help is provided. If you are interested please contact Pam Holt at tlholt@conwaycorp.net or call the church office.



EYC Programming Schedule

EYC is on break until January 18.

Family Formation (10am) will be on break from December 25 - January 22.

These breaks are in large part due to our wonderful teacher's being on Winter Break.

We will still have childcare on Sunday mornings from 9-12. Thank you!

CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
January 12	January 13	January 14	January 15	January 16
7:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am Tai Chi (PH) 2:00pm Enneagram (Lib) 6:30pm Finance Meeting	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH)	9:00am Food Pantry 12:00pm Parish Hall Reserved	7:30am Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:00am Enriching our Worship Holy Eucharist 10:00am Adult Forum Family Formation 11:00am Rite II Holy Eucharist 2:00pm John Schenck Memorial 4:30pm Vestry Meeting 7:00pm Quaker Meditation Fellowship (Classroom 4)	**Parish Office Closed** 10:00am Chi Kung (PH) 11:15am Centering Prayer 12:15pm After-Noon Bible Study (Lib) 2:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (MH)
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 17	January 18	January 19	January 20	January 21
7:00am Morning Prayer 11:15am Staff Meeting 6:00pm Circle of Trust (MH) 6:00pm EfM (Classroom 2)	12:00pm Wednesday Book Club (Lib) 5:30pm The Fledglings Writing Group (Lib) 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (MH) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Service of Healing	7:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am Tai Chi (PH) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Lib) 7:00pm Bible Study (MH) 7:00pm Circle of Trust	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH)	9:00am DOK Workshop (MH) 9:00am Food Pantry

FOOD PANTRY

Help Out the Food Pantry

Don't forget your items to bring this Sunday! You may also drop off items in the church lobby anytime during the week. With your help we are able to provide food to those in need.

Diapers!

**If you are bringing fresh produce to donate, please contact someone with a key and see that it is placed in the Food Pantry refrigerators.

Pantry Musings

Liturgy is a drama, in which we, all of us, participate. Each of us has a role. Rector, Deacon, Eucharistic Ministers, Verger, Ushers, Lectors, Choir, Oblationers, Acolytes, Organist, and Congregants. We each make a contribution in this drama called Worship. There would be nothing without the congregation, for we come as the celebrators of the joyful occasion. We are the primary reason for the gathering. This is abundantly clear on the occasion of baptism and other occasions where we reaffirm our baptismal vows. Sunday was the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus and the Sunday before, the Feast of the Holy Name. Last Sunday Teri described her own Baptism in a Baptist Church. It sounded very dramatic, including the immersion of her whole body under water, after first wetting the hem of her dress, with the minister saying these words: "You are buried with Christ in Baptism." And then she was covered with water. On being brought out of the water the minister then said "and raised to walk in newness of life." What is more dramatic than the symbol of death and rebirth and seeing it acted out in front of you by the immersion and raising up of that person?

In non-evangelical denominations we tend to do baptism in a different manner, while maintaining the same meaning of death and resurrection. In the Episcopal church, we congregants participate in a more active way by renewing our own baptismal vows in an interaction between priest and congregation through the reciting of the apostle's creed. Around the font there is a symbolic ceremony in which the words of burial and emerging into new life are said, always the movement in baptism is from the old self to the new self (Paul in Romans and Galatians) We are buried only to rise again. At Baptism, not only is our salvation accomplished, we receive a name. If you will remember, the priest asks, "what is the name of this person"? It maybe a child, yourself, your friend. Why is that important? What is in a name?

The Old Testament shows us that as one's purpose in life changes, so does one's name; hence Abram becomes Abraham, and Sarai becomes Sarah. And so on through our patriarchal ancestors. The etymology of our own names is important, and so is the familial association. I know that we don't think of these things much anymore, but there are some things to be remembered when we name someone. Their name is their name for life and they need to be able to grow into that name. Names for infants that are cute are not cute in adolescence or adulthood. Naming someone for an etymologically good reason is perhaps most important. Naming someone after a family member who is hated (as I was) does not work well. Be clear that a name given at baptism works for the person to grow, just as they grow into their own salvation. This given name of the person who is baptized dies to an old self and is born again to a new self. It is the person who will be shaped into a member of the community of believers, one who knows love and care, who grows in honesty and trustworthiness, who becomes loyal and compassionate, who develops humility in all their relationships with others, and who knows God's love through creation and relations with others.

Ann Drake

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Discretionary Fund

All \$1 bills in the offering plate will go to the Discretionary Fund.

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

Scripture Readings for Sunday, January 15, 2017 9:00am Service will read Isaiah and lead the Psalm.

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The LORD called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,

in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,
and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
"Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Psalm 40:1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the LORD.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.'
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O LORD, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
- 12 You are the LORD;
do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever,

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind--just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you--so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Patsy and Ed; Megan; Jennifer; Nikki; Freda; Stephanie; Beth; John; Tommy; Anthony.

In Loving Support for:

Jenny, Doug, and Odessa; Hannah; Jon and Julie; Micah; Linda; Bob; Sam; Mouaz; Natalie.

Thanksgivings

We give thanks for the people of St. Peter's and visitors with us this week.

We give thanks for: Ted, Leigh Ann, Sophia Allison and Steven Warriner; Deana Weindorf; Erin Weindorf; Marianne, Maggie and Molly Welch; Pansy Westrich; Leo and Katrina Wilcox; Louise Wilcox; Michael, Rebekah, Liam and Jocelyn Wilkins

We give thanks for The New Jerusalem Baptist Church.

We give thanks for The Conway Islamic Center.

We give thanks for our Circle of Trust.

We give thanks for The Right Rev. Armando Guerra, Bishop of Guatemala and Primate of the Anglican Church of Central America.

We give thanks for The Rt Revd Luke Ken-ichi Muto in Kyushu, Japan.

We give thanks for the Bishop's Bible Challenge (to read the whole bible in 2017) at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

The Departed:

Stephen Tucker

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 3	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lectors	Pam Holt	Mary Etta Qualls	Kevin Mequet Ann Drake
Ushers	Richard Boosey	Danny and Dinah Reed	Wayne Stengel Jerry Adams
Oblationers			Kathleen and Henry Van Lierop
Greeters	Richard Boosey	Lisa Crowson	Madelyn Adams Lynne Rich
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Stacey Coleman	Steve Eddy 1 Erin Weindorf 2	Jim Folwer 1 Dan Allen 2
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Elizabeth Walters Rita Mackintosh	
Vestry Counters			Jay Ruud Jerry Adams
Acolytes		AM: Michael Moses CB: Madolyn Ward	AM: Michael Moses C: Berris Teague T1: Cooper Teague T2: Hutson Teague
Altar Guild			Team 1

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