



The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, March 16, 2017

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church!

SCHEDULE FOR LENT



Noonday Prayers for Lent

The Daughters of the King will be leading Noonday Prayers in the Side Chapel during Lent, March 2 through April 7, Monday through Friday. All are welcome.

Lenten Lunches

Please join us during the Season of Lent

Thursday at 12 noon
for a simple soup meal and a short devotion.
Hosted by various churches,
sponsored by
Faulkner County Church Women United.
A \$4 donation per person is suggested.



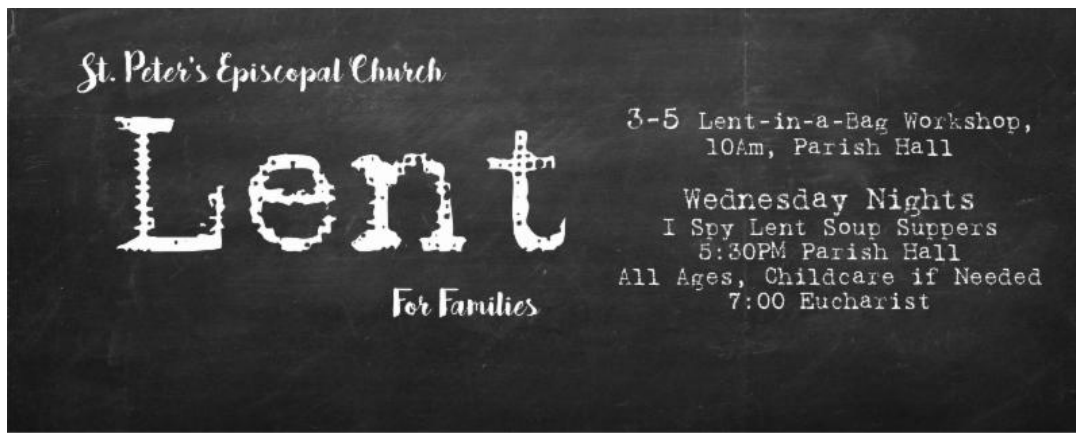
March 16 Host: First United Methodist Church 1610 Prince St
Co-Hosts: Grace UMC & St James CME

March 23 *World Day of Prayer*
Host: First Presbyterian 2400 Prince St
Co-Hosts: Christ Temple & Wesley UMC

March 30 Host: Wesley United Methodist Church 2310 E Oak St
Christ Temple & Salem UMC

Co-Hosts:

April 6 Host: St Peter's Episcopal 925 Mitchell St
Co-Host: St Joseph Catholic



A Lenten Journey Through Scripture

Scripture is full of symbols or metaphors for the Lenten journey of transformation, and so I'd like to invite you to join me in a Lenten practice of immersing ourselves in the biblical metaphors-allowing them to be our spiritual guides during this season of transformation. You can take part in any or all of the following prayer resources offered each week in Lent:

- 1) Each week a particular biblical metaphor for transformation will be taken from the gospel reading for that Sunday and explored in depth. IN the beginning of each week, two biblical passages which make use of that symbol will be emailed to the congregation; one passage will be the gospel reading itself, the other being another passage from scripture. An introduction to that metaphor will be provided in the email, along with brief suggestions on the Ignatian method of praying with scripture (entering into the narratives ourselves) and prompts for reflection.
- 2) A photo or representation of a painting pertaining to that week's metaphor will be included in the email, along with instructions on the ancient practice of visio divina (or Sacred Looking).
- 3) Each week an interactive prayer station will be available in the side chapel, allowing that week's biblical metaphor to be internalized through bodily movement and prayer.
- 4) The brief Lenten meditation provided at the weekly soup suppers (Wednesdays at 5:30 pm) will center on that week's biblical symbol.
- 5) Our Wednesday evening Eucharist during Lent will be what is commonly known as a "Rite III" service, with various readings, poems, and scriptures organized around the metaphor for the week. The readings and poetry will come from ancient and contemporary Christian writers.

Please don't worry if you do not have access to email. We will also have the scriptures for Ignatian prayer and images for Sacred Looking available on Sunday mornings and in the side chapel throughout the week.

Teri

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



40acts Together: A Lenten Reflection

Join us during lent for discussion and fellowship focused around Romans 12. The material is put together by 40acts, a UK-based charity- check out their website at 40acts.co.uk. We meet each Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in Classroom 2.

- March 15- Giving Our Best with Our Gifts
- March 22- Giving Our Best When Serving Others
- March 29- Giving Our Best Despite Our Feelings

- April 5- Giving Our Best When It Hurts
- April 12- Giving Our Best With Our Whole Lives

For more information, contact Stephanie Gray at 479-223-1363.

Sunday Morning Discussion on Gnosticism 8:50am - Library

Gnosticism: From Nag Hammadi to the Gospel of Judas. The class is 24 thirty minute lectures by David Brakke, PhD, Joe R Engle Chair in the History of Christianity, Ohio State University.

The course discusses in detail the gnostic myth from a variety of aspects, as well as the invention of heresy, the mythology of Manicheanism and gnostic traces in western religions & in the modern imagination. All are welcome.

Wednesday Noon Bible Study

A Year of Biblical Womanhood: How a Liberated Woman Found Herself Sitting on Her Roof, Covering Her Head, and Calling Her Husband 'Master'.

All are welcome to join us! We meet in the library at 12:00 p.m. Bring your lunch!

March 15- Chapter 2 & 3 (November & December)

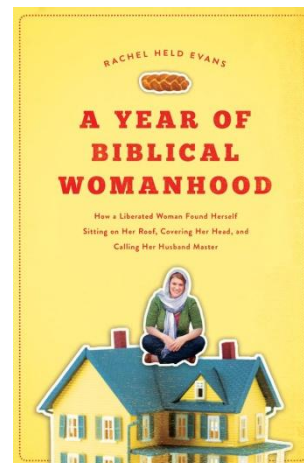
March 22- Chapter 4 & 5 (January & February)

March 29- Chapter 6 & 7 (March & April)

April 5- Chapter 8 & 9 (May & June)

April 12- Chapter 10 & 11 (July & August)

April- Chapter 12 (September) & Final Thoughts



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.

Bible Study

Bible Quest: A Journey through the Christian Scriptures is a discussion of the books of the New Testament. Join the group each Monday at 12:15 in the Church Library OR Thursday 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.

Servant Leadership School of Conway presents "Saturdays for Centering"

When: From 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on 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: On April 8, the second Saturday for Centering, Catherine will lead us in asking how the Twelve Step Process might assist us on our spiritual journeys. 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 Carolyn 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 for Saturdays for Centering.

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The Grounds of Being: Exploring the World's Religions

When: Mondays, 5:30 to 6:30 pm

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 has introduced a few key ideas from a religious tradition and facilitated open discussion. The spirit is relaxed and exploratory. The discussions are open to the public, and everyone is welcome. Our last session is coming up March 27.

March 27: Humanism and Atheism

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

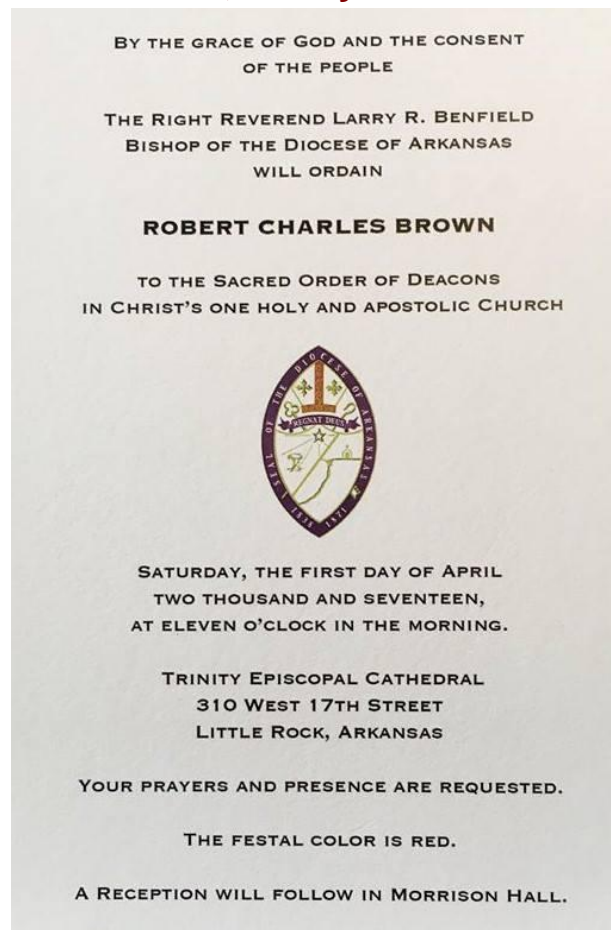
Weekly Sermons Posted to our Website

The church's website has an archive of our weekly sermons. You may click on the link below to listen to any of the sermons going back as far as 2013. Sunday's sermons are usually posted to the website by the following Monday at noon.

<http://stpetersconway.org/worship-2/weekly-podcast/>

PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY

Bob Brown's Ordination's to the Transitional Diaconate April 1, 2017 at 11 am, Trinity Cathedral in Little Rock





Guatemala Mission April 22-29, 2017

We are in need of children's new or gently used clothing, shoes, and any eyeglasses. New socks, underwear, toothbrushes and toothpaste are also needed. We could not do this trip without the support of our congregation and friends. Thank you for allowing us to be your hands and feet on this mission! There will be a bright turquoise plastic container in the lobby. Let's fill it up! Large rolling suitcases are always appreciated if you are ready to get rid of some! Thank you! (Contact Dinah Reed if you need items picked up. 501-730-8354)

College Dinners

Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall!

March 28th

April 4th

April 18th

April 25th (Congregation will provide food)



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19	March 20
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Lunches (FUMC) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 6:30pm Finance Meeting (Classroom 2) 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6342 (Parish Hall) 7:00pm Bible Study (Morgan House) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall) 6:00pm Girl Scouts 6057 (Morgan House)	9:00am Food Pantry 10:00am Morgan House Reserved 12:00pm Parish Hall Reserved	7:30am Rite I 8:40am Nursery Opens 8:50am Gnostic Discussion (Library) 9:00am Enriching our Worship Eucharist 10:00am Choir Practice Adult Formation Family Formation 11:00am Rite II 3:00pm Walking the Mourner's Path (Ministry Office) 5:30pm Library Reserved 7:00pm Contemplative Quaker Fellowship (Ministry Office)	11:30am Centering Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 12:15pm After-noon Bible Study (Library) 5:30pm The Grounds of Being (Blue Sail Coffee) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House) 7:00pm Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 21	March 22	March 23	March 24	March 25
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 7:00pm Circle of Trust (Morgan House)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Noon Book Club (Library) 4:00pm 40acts Together (Classroom 2) 5:00pm EYC (Parish Hall) 5:30pm Lenten Soup Supper 5:30pm Fledglings Writing Group (Library) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Prayers of Healing	7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Lunch (First Presbyterian Church) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 7:00pm Bible Study (Morgan House) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayer (Side Chapel) 4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall)	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.

**2 cans whole kernel corn, 1 box of cereal, 2 packages of Ramen
diapers, feminine hygiene products.**

**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

In several of the stories about our friends who gather, there are attempts to cope with the new figure in the Forest. Kanga and Roo are the first new residents, if I recall correctly, followed by Tigger. The major complaint about all three is that they are too bouncy, and the principal complainer is Rabbit. Sometimes Eeyore joins him. Piglet always wavers between Pooh and Rabbit or whoever voices an opinion besides Pooh or Christopher Robin. Piglet is unsure of himself, but he is always loyal to Pooh and CR. Rabbit uses big words to impress his audience. This befuddles Pooh, who usually waits for something to develop before deciding anything. In most cases Rabbit has a plan to either isolate or get rid of the offending bouncer. They all backfire on him. He ends up loving Roo when he takes him away from Kanga in an effort to get rid of them, and Tigger rescues him when his plan to lose Tigger gets him, Rabbit, lost. Do you know people who attempt to exclude others? What is the price that they pay for being exclusive? Was Jesus inclusive or exclusive in his dealings with others? -Ann Drake

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Discretionary Fund

All dollar bills in the offering plate will go to the Camp Mitchell Scholarship Fund.

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

Scripture Readings for Sunday, March 19, 2017 9:00am Service will read Exodus and lead the Psalm.

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Psalm 95

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *
"This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways."
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, *
"They shall not enter into my rest."

Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

John 4:5-42

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Stengels (safe travels); Rebecca (healing); Xander (new job); Mark; Kitson; Layne; Chandler; Dee (discernment); Freda; Kerry; Chastain Family; Susan; Ashley; Nicki; Emily (safe travels); Lillian and Fred; Kevin (healing); Fred; Kay; Liz; Rick; Nancy; Mark; Beth; Kaylie; John; Norma Jean; Mildred (healing); Stephanie; Betty.

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: Jeremy, Shaina, Rosalie Goodman, and Lily Smalling; Sondra Gordy; Stephanie Marie Gray; Nathan, Jerusalem, Wiley, and Miles Greer; Ashley Groves; Opp Guenard; Carol Gulas and Casey Quast; Grady and Grace Gunter and John Futrick; Mike, Kathy, and Sarah Gunter; B.J. Haller; Donna Haller; Sandra and Cleve Hamilton; Chris, Suzanne, Ryleigh, and Aiden Hansen; Jason, Caroline, Sylvia, Lena, and Franklin Hansen; Brett Hardison.

We give thanks for Conway Church of the Nazarene.

We give thanks for Temple B'Nai Israel.

We give thanks for our Meal's Ministry.

We give thanks for the Right Rev. Carlos Lainfiesta, Suffragan Bishop of Western Guatemala.

We give thanks for The Rt Revd Patrick of GiduduMbale, Uganda.

We give thanks for the Addiction Recovery Programs at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

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Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 3	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lectors	Pam Holt	Susan Sobel	Kevin Mequet Ellen Stengel
Ushers	Richard Boosey	Danny Reed Dinah Reed	Jerry Adams John Vanderslice
Oblationers			Lynn Neuhofel Pam Neuhofel
Greeters	Richard Boosey	Lisa Crowson	Madelyn Adams Lynne Rich
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Stacey Coleman	Linda Brown EM 1 Dan Allen EM 2	Bob Brown EM 1 Kelley King EM 2
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Cody Blackman Daniel Allen	
Vestry Counters			Christy Garrett-Jones Sam Buchanan
Acolytes		AM: Michael Moses CB: Madolyn Ward	AM: Michael Moses C:Kathryn Spinks T1: Wylie Greer T2: Carl Purdy
Altar Guild			Team 2