



The Labyrinth Walk **Thursday, March 30, 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

Thursdays at 12 noon

for a simple soup meal and a short devotion.

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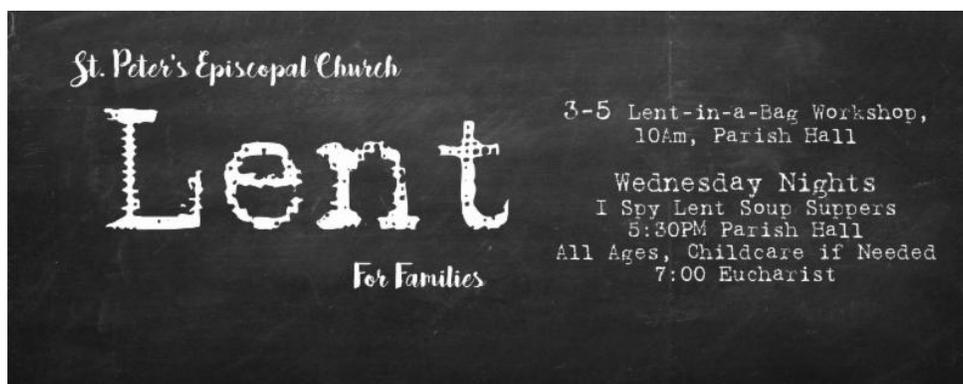
Faulkner County Church Women United.

A \$4 donation per person is suggested.



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

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.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Week Schedule, April 9-16

Palm Sunday Services, April 9

7:30am, 9am*, 11am*

We begin the service by processing into the church with palms, and the Passion Narrative (the story of Jesus' crucifixion) is read in parts by members of the congregation. The Rev. Peggy Cromwell is our preacher.

Holy Monday, April 10 at 6pm

Holy Eucharist with Dee Sanders as our preacher.

Holy Tuesday, April 11 at 6pm

Holy Eucharist with Sam Buchanan as our preacher.

Holy Wednesday, April 12 at 6pm

Tenebrae, a service in which candles are successively extinguished as we tell the story of Jesus' crucifixion. We speak and chant our prayers during the service.

Maundy Thursday, April 13 at 6pm*

Holy Eucharist with commemoration of Jesus' last night with his disciples. We share the sacrament of footwashing and, at the end of the service, the congregation strips the altar -- leaving it bare for our Good Friday services. If you prefer not to parteciplate in the footwashing, please still come to this service. You may bear witness to this event and pray during that part of the service. The Rev. Peggy Cromwell will be our preacher.

Good Friday, April 14

Noon and 6 pm*, Good Friday Liturgy

5:15, Stations of the Cross

Our Good Friday Liturgy consists of scripture, prayers, a short sermon, and adoration of the cross. The Rev. Bob Brown will be our preacher. In The Stations of the Cross, we walk the path to the cross with Jesus, reciting prayers and scripture as we stop in front of each of the bronze depictions of the story present on the walls of the church.

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 15 at 8 pm

This ancient service marks the beginning of Easter. We begin by making a fire in the courtyard and processing into the church behind the Paschal (or Easter) Candle. We hear readings from the Old Testament bearing witness to God's saving power in the life of God's people, renew our baptismal vows, celebrate the beginning of Easter with lights & bells & shouts of alleluia, and share Holy Eucharist. This year the service will be in a candlelit, Taize style, featuring congregational chants and an anthem in Gregorian chant by the St. Peter's Choir. Jerusalem Greer will be our preacher. Following the service, we will celebrate with a champagne reception.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16

7:30am, 9am*, 11am*

Each service will be a joyful celebration of Easter, with alleluias and the renewal of our baptismal vows. The preacher will be The Rev. Teri Daily.

Easter Egg Hunt, 10am*

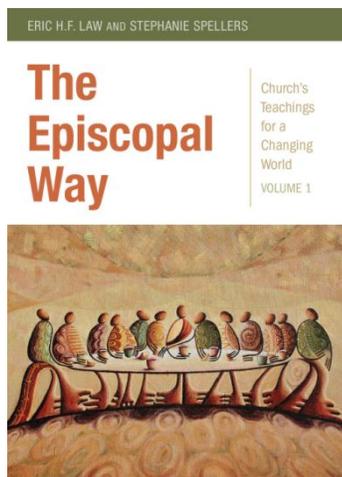
Children will meet in the lobby to begin the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring a basket if you are able.

Easter Brunch, Noon

We will gather in the parish hall for a celebratory meal with our church family. A main meat will be provided; please bring a side or dessert if you are able.

ALL ARE INVITED, ALL ARE WELCOME to each of these services and celebrations. Consider bringing a friend!

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



The Episcopal Way: Exploring Our Faith

New Class Starting Sunday, April 23

This new Sunday School class will meet in Room 4 on the Christian Ed hallway each Sunday at 10 am. We will be using the *Church's Teachings for a Changing World* series as a springboard to explore how we understand, articulate, and live our faith as Episcopalians in a changing world. The class will be facilitated by Teri Daily, Peggy Cromwell, Carolyn Scott, and Stephanie Gray. If you are interested in taking part in class, contact Teri Daily. Or just come Sunday, April 23rd at 10 am!



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 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

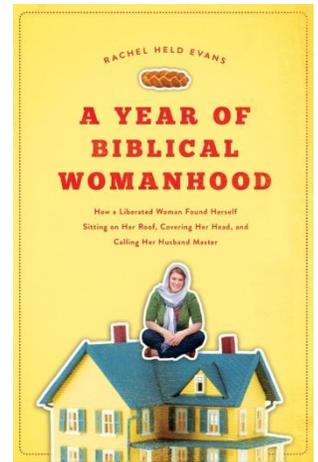
A Year of Biblical Womanhood: How a Liberated Woman Found Herself Sitting on Her Roof, Covering Her Head, and Calling Her Husband 'Master'.

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

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.

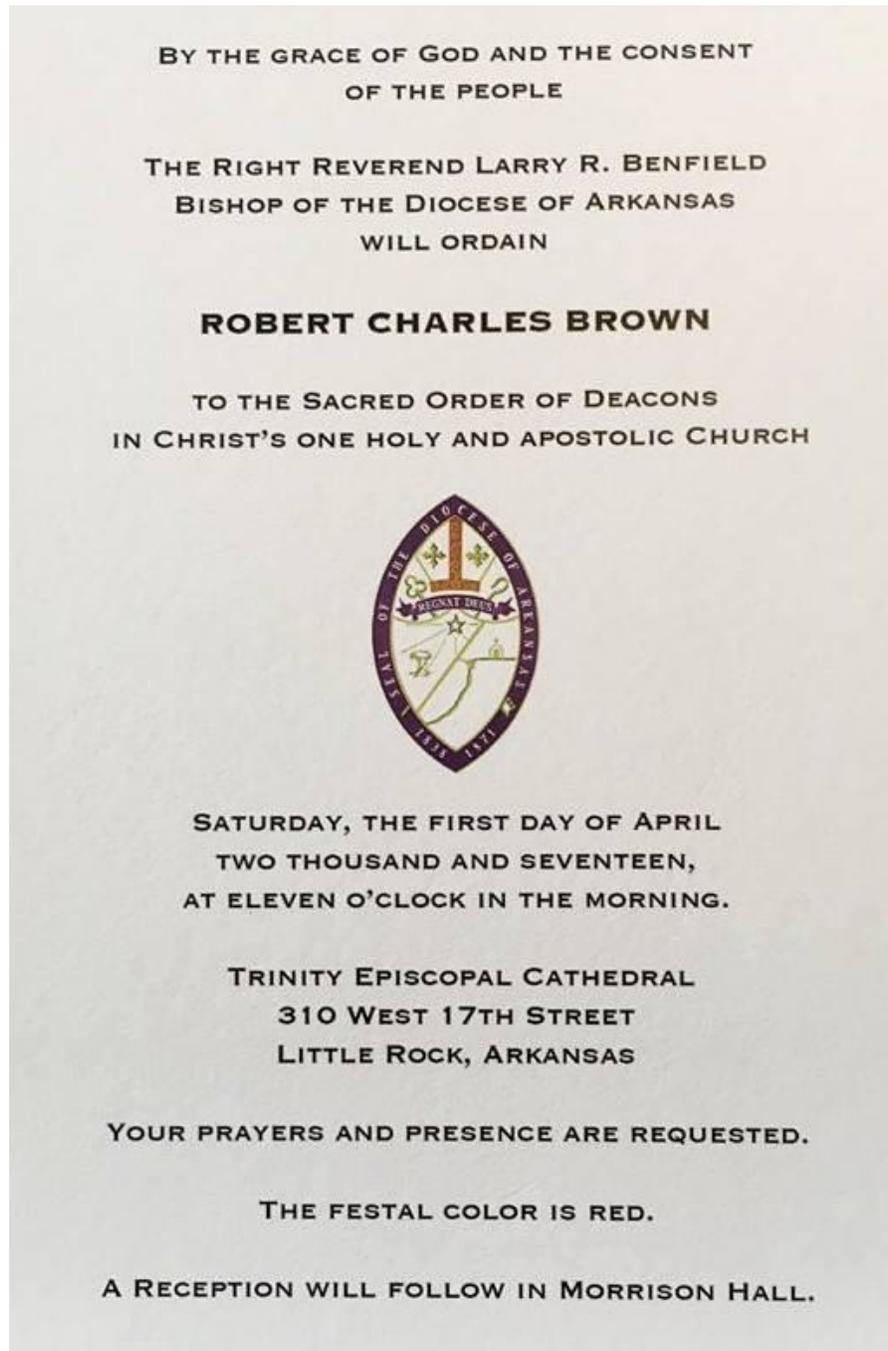
Cost: There is no registration fee; however, we ask that you speak to or email Carolyn Scott, Judy Helm or Rita Mackintosh if you plan to attend. There will be an opportunity to contribute non-perishable items or cash to St. Peter's Food Pantry. Snacks and drinks will be provided; registrants are encouraged 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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PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY

**Bob Brown's Ordination's to the Transitional Diaconate
April 1, 2017 at 11:00am, Trinity Cathedral in Little Rock**



A Special Thank You

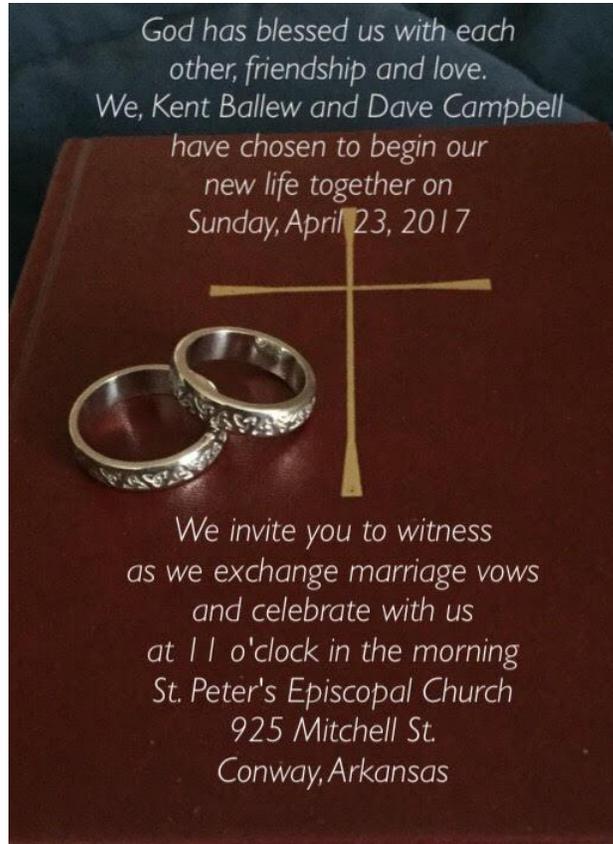
I want to thank all of you for your prayers and thoughts while I recovered from a broken shoulder. Especial thanks go to all of those who visited and brought good food. Others performed much needed assistance that a one armed person needs in dressing and bathing. You enabled me to recover at home which was much appreciated! The love and compassion of the St. Peters community is amazing! Thank you for all that you do.--Ann Drake



Calling all Easter Bunnies! We Need Candy!

Time to start collecting candy for our Easter Egg Hunt! Please bring bags of candy (no peanuts or peanut butter please!) to the church office by Wednesday, April 12

An Invitation to the Wedding of Kent Ballew and Dave Campbell



Acolyte Festival April 28 and April 29

Time To Register for Acolyte Festival!
To register, please download [THIS form](#) and return it to Jerusalem. The church will cover the \$25 Fee as a thank you for all the acolytes do for the church!

There is a Lock-In the night before - please let Jerusalem know if your child wants to go for the Lock-In or just Saturday. Jerusalem will be going and can help with transportation both days. Other adult volunteers are welcome!





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! The remaining dinners for this semester are:

- April 4th
- April 18th
- April 25th (Congregation will provide food)



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
March 30	March 31	April 1	April 2	April 3
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Lunches (Wesley UMC) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm Enneagram (Library) 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)	9:00am Food Pantry 9:00am Wisdom House Planning (Morgan House) 11:00am Dr. Robert Brown Ordination (Trinity Episcopal) 4:00pm Eric Binnie Memorial Service	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 12:00pm DOK Discernment (Library) 3:00pm Walking the Mourner's Path (Ministry Office) 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) 2:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7	April 8
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers	7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel)	9:00am Church Women United (Morgan House)	8:30am SLS (Morgan House)

12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 6:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 6:00pm Discernment Committee (Library) 7:00pm Circle of Trust (Morgan House) 7:00pm College Dinners (Parish Hall)	(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	12:00pm Lenten Lunch (Parish Hall) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6342 (Parish Hall) 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
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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 mac and cheese; 2 corn muffin mix; 2 cans green beans.
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

This coming week is the last week before all the excitement begins so spend your time in quiet reflection, confession, prayer, and forgiveness this week. Next week we start off with a big parade that goes bust, a dinner that ends up with folks hiding out, a trial that is rigged in favor of the rich and the famous, and a crucifixion that is designed to put the victim of the trial out of commission but puts him in history for all time. So next week begins with several events that at the time of their happening were not very successful but it ends with a great mystery. This week you need to rest up to get ready for all the trials and tribulations of next week. You need to spend your time in quiet reflection. It is your last chance before chaos breaks loose in the Roman-run government. 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, April 2, 2017 9:00am Service will read Ezekiel and lead the Psalm.

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Fred; Kay; Liz; Nancy; Amy; Megan; Alice; Johnnie; May, Norah; Margaret; Fred and Lillian; Agnes; Bill; John; Beth.

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: Rosemary Henenberg; Stepheny and Madison Hernandez; Kim Herrington and Joseph Charlson; Alice Hines; Guy Hobbs; Tony, Jennifer and Nathan Hodge; Pam Holt; Steve, Denise, and Christian Hurd; Eric and Donna Hutchinson.

We give thanks for the life of Eric Binnie.

We give thanks for the Ordination of Robert Brown.

We give thanks for Woodland Heights Baptist Church.

We give thanks for the Ecumenical Buddhist Society of Little Rock.

We give thanks for our Junior Daughters of the King.

We give thanks for Rev. Alberto Cuc & St. Mary, Mother of God, Solola.

We give thanks for The Rt Revd Stephen Kaziimba, Mityana, Uganda.

We give thanks for Wednesdays in Lent Program at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

The Departed

J.D.; Mike; Kody Eakin; Eric Binnie.

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 1	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lector	Jerusalem Greer	Jeff Ward	Warren Readnour- Ep Amy Hawkins-Ps
Ushers	Wylie Greer Jerusalem Greer	Veronica Makepeace Kristina Ward	Claudia Wiltgen Walker Simpson
Oblationers	Miles Greer Wylie Greer	Charlotte Ward Ella Johnson, Dehlia	Ashlyn Readnour Julia Readnour
Greeters	Miles Greer Nathan Greer	Andrea Savage Melissa Felty	Shari Readnour Tracy Simpson
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	George Coleman	Tanya Buchanan EM1 Cody Blackmon EM 2	Catherine Fortney EM 1 Jay Ruud EM 2
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Dan Allen	
Vestry Counters			Marilyn Larson Karen McNutt
Acolytes		AM: Michael Moses CB: Harry Lance	AM: Michael Moses C: Christopher Walters T1: Amy Rice T2: Wade Simpson
Altar Guild			Team 4

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