



The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, March 9, 2017

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church!

The Rev. Peggy Cromwell will be preaching in
all three services this Sunday, March 12, 2017.

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.

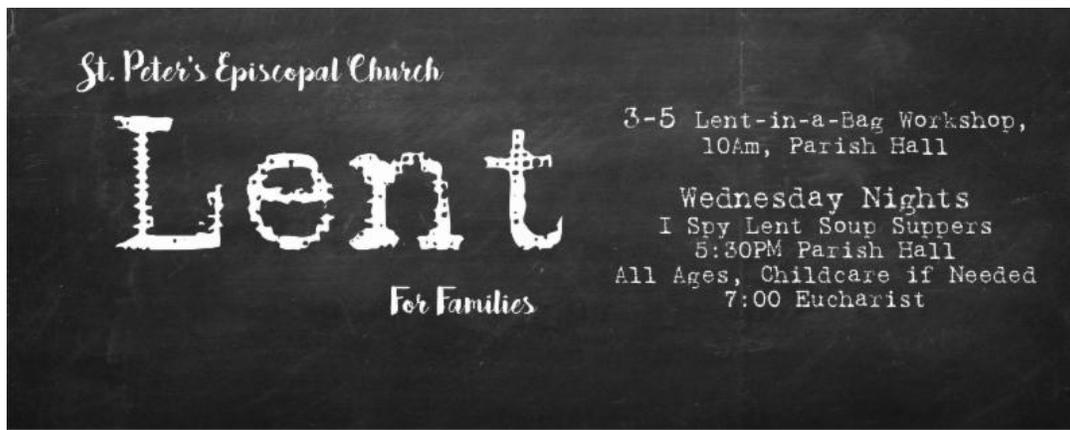
Lenten Lunches

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 9 Host: First Christian 1620 Donaghey
Co-Hosts: St Peter's Episcopal & Ebenezer UMC
- 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
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 gospel reading for that Sunday and explored in depth. On Monday morning, 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 a 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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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.

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 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.

March 13: Unitarian Universalism

March 27: Humanism and Atheism

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

Walking the Mourner's Path

Walking the Mourner's Path is an eight-week grief group that will be held on Sunday afternoons at 3 pm at St. Peter's; the first meeting will take place on March 12 and the final meeting will be May 7 (with April 16 off for Easter). This is a non-denominational, Christ-centered bereavement program, complete with workbook. Through it, mourners learn ways to honor their loved ones, seek spiritual direction, and discover God's promise of comfort in community. The fee is \$80 for the class; scholarships are available. Facilitators are Tanya Buchanan, Sam Buchanan, Linda Brown, and Teri Daily. For more information, contact Teri at teri.daily@stpetersconway.com or 501-329-8174.

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/>

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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 14th
- March 28th
- April 4th
- April 18th
- April 25th (Congregation will provide food)



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
March 9	March 10	March 11	March 12	March 13
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Lunches (First Christian Church) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm Enneagram (Library) 7:00pm Bible Study (Morgan House) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall) 7:00pm Morgan House Reserved	8:30am SLS (Morgan House) 9:00am Food Pantry	7:30am Rite I 8:40am Nursery Opens 9:00am Enriching our Worship Eucharist 10:00am Choir Practice Adult Formation Family Formation 11:00am Rite II 12:00pm Junior DOK (Classroom 2) 12:30pm DOK (Morgan House) 3:00pm Walking the Mourner's Path (Library) 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) 5:30pm The Grounds of Being (Blue Sail Coffee) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 14	March 15	March 16	March 17	March 18
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 6:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 7:00pm Circle of Trust (Morgan House) 7:00pm College Dinners (Parish Hall)	12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 12:00pm Noon Book Club (Library) 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 (FUMC) 12:00pm Lenten Noonday Prayers (Side Chapel) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 6:30pm Finance Meeting (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) 6:00pm Girl Scouts 6057 (Morgan House)	9:00am Food Pantry 10:00am Morgan House Reserved 12:00pm Parish Hall Reserved

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 of soup, 1 16oz Peanut Butter, 1 Jar of Jelly (no glass)
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

Rabbit had organized everyone in the Forest to look for Small, only in his pompous manner and in his rush of self importance, he had neglected to tell them who and what Small was. Well, Pooh thought that this was the sort of thing that Piglet might know. He headed out across the Forest to find his friend when he fell into a trap that they had built to catch a Heffalump. In he fell, landing on top of Piglet saying "A Very Bad Accident to Pooh Bear." 'Pooh!' squeaked the voice. 'It's Piglet!' cried Pooh eagerly. 'Where are you?' "Underneath," said Piglet in an underneath so of way. 'Underneath what?' 'You,' squeaked Piglet, 'Get up!'" Pooh was no where near the search area assigned to him, and I suppose neither was Piglet, nor Christopher Robin, who happened along the way. Finding the two friends in the Heffalump trap, he scared Piglet into an almost belief that he shared the trap with a Heffalump instead of Pooh. When times are uncertain, well meaning people may frighten us by mimicking voices as CR did in a song they were singing. Piglet heard CR mimic Pooh and thought it was a Heffalump. Don't write it all off on a 'scarredy-cat!' There is a bit of Piglet in all of us. We have just enough information to be frightened. Or we don't understand what is going on, so we ignore problems like Pooh. Oh, I almost forgot, Pooh had a place that itched on his back, and Piglet proclaimed that it was small beetle. -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 12, 2017 9:00am Service will read Romans and lead the Psalm.

Genesis 12:1-4a

The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") -in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

John 3:1-21

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second

time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Chris and Jeff (healing); Faith; Kayla; Stengels (safe travels); Jolyon; Katie; Lydia; Ann; Rick; Fred; Kay; Liz; Nancy; Opp; Helen; Jacquie; Sara; Martha; Opp's Family; David; Ashley; 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: Mary Ferguson; Ansley and Nancy Fleming; Mack and Catherine Fortney; Jim Fowler; Ruth Frankenberger; Ken, Bev and Melissa Freiley, Meghan, David and Alex Repp; Sara Galvin; Sarah, Christy, Jaylee and Julian Garrett-Jones; Tina Garrow; Ashley Gillam, Wills Phillips, Tully Caddel.

We give thanks for Cedar Hill Church of Christ.

We give thanks for Lubavitch Center for Jewish Learning.

We give thanks for our Walking the Mourner's Path.

We give thanks for Rev. Roberto Armas & St. Mark's, Quetzaltenango (ketz-al-ten-ango).

We give thanks for The Rt Revd Francis Abiero in Maseno South, Kenya, and The Rt Revd Joseph Wasonga Maseno West, Kenya.

We give thanks for the Good Neighbor Grants at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 2	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lector	Douglas Young	Donna Bowman	Marilyn Larson-Epistle David Larson-Psalms
Ushers		John Phillips Steve Eddy	Kelley King Bev Freiley
Oblationers		Dave Campbell Kent Ballew	Carolyn Scott Robert Wickser
Greeters	Joe Arn		Donna Hutchinson Eric Hutchinson
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Pam Holt	Judy Helm EM 1 Sam Buchanan EM 2	Leigh Ann Warriner EM 1 Charlie Tyrone EM 2

Eucharistic Visitors (EV)			
Vestry Counters			Chris Odom Dan Alllen
Acolytes		AM:Wylie Greer CB: Cady Gray	AM:Wylie Greer C: Isabel Ruckle T1: Harper Sobel T2: Elise McGarrity
Altar Guild			Team 2

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