

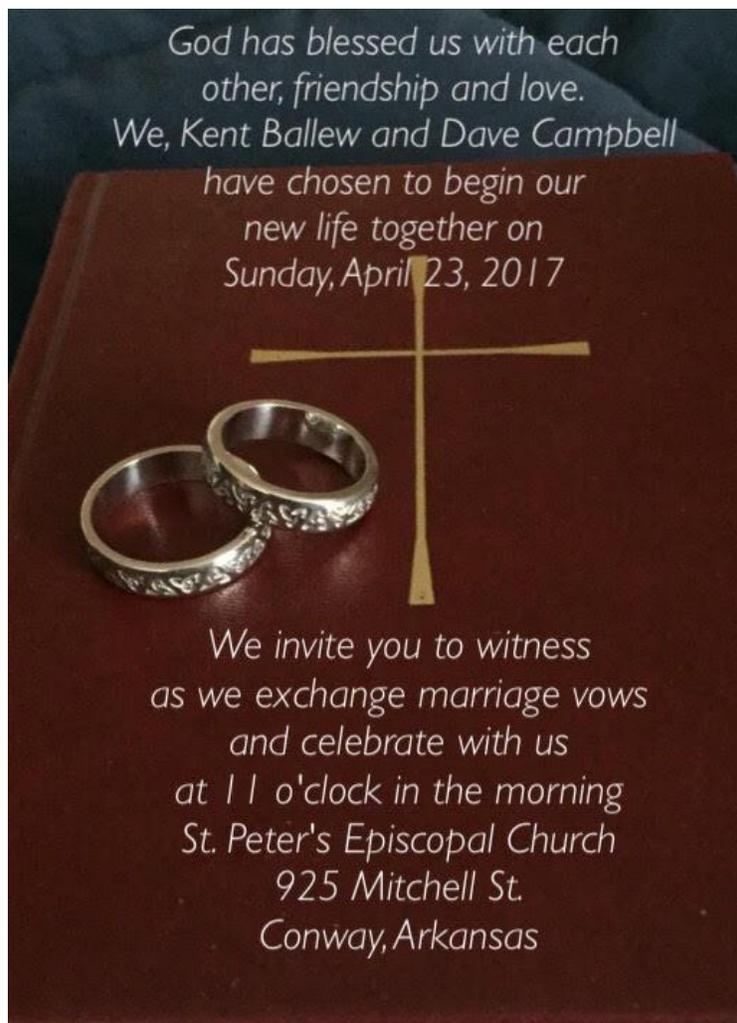


The Labyrinth Walk **Thursday, April 20, 2017**

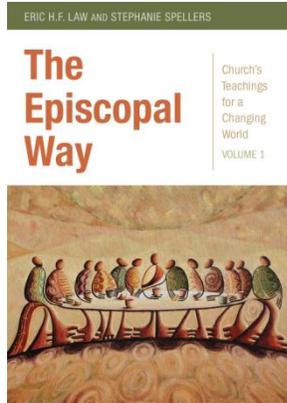
The Altar Flowers for Sunday, April 23, 2017, are given by Melissa Felty,
in loving memory of Mary Alice Barkley.

Final College Dinner of the Year

Tuesday, April 25, will be the final College Dinner for this year and will be provided by the St Peter's congregation. We plan on having a cookout and will need plenty of help. If you can help, please contact Peggy Cromwell for more information.



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!

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.

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.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Attention Men: Give one hour a month as part of your Christian experience. Join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew which meets for one hour the third Monday of each month. The Brothers pray, study scripture, and serve together. Check the lobby bulletin board for this month's meeting.

Adult Forum

April 23, 2017: Into the Dark: Seeing the Sacred in Popular Film Pt 1
April 30, 2017: Into the Dark: Seeing the Sacred in Popular Film Pt 2
May 7, 2017: Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy

May Program:

Each program in this series features two components sold separately: (1) A DVD with five 10-15 minute presentations (one per group), in this case showing Fr. Richard Rohr interacting with a small group of adults, and (2) a participant workbook containing all the material needed by class participants as well as for the facilitator (one each). In this edition, Richard Rohr explores five topics central to Franciscan theology and practice:

Sessions:

1. Atonement Theory
2. Eco-Spirituality
3. The Christ who Existed before Christianity
4. Orthopraxy vs. Verbal Orthodoxy (Living Like Jesus)
5. Mysticism over Moralism



MEN'S WEEKEND
CAMP MITCHELL
MAY 5-7

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PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY

Calling all Graduates!

We can't believe this, but it is time to once again honor all our seniors! If you are a graduating senior (high school, college, or graduate school level), please let us know so that we can pray blessings over you on Sunday May 7. Email Jerusalem.Greer@stpetersconway.com and let us know if this applies to you (or your child!)

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)

Changes for Acolyte Festival April 29

Time To Register for Acolyte Festival! The lock-in has been canceled, BUT you can now register for Saturday ONLINE!

To register [CLICK HERE](#).

Jerusalem Greer and Gloria Parker will be going and can help with transportation. Other adult volunteers are welcome!



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 6:30pm Finance Meeting (Classroom 2) 7:00pm Bible Study (Morgan House) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall)	9:00am Food Pantry 10:00am 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 Church in a Changing World 11:00am Rite II 12:30pm DOK (Morgan House) 3:00pm Walking the Mourner's Path (Ministry Office)	11:30am Centering Prayer (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 25	April 26	April 27	April 28	April 29
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 6:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 7:00pm Circle of Trust (Morgan House) 7:00pm College Dinners (Parish Hall)	12:00pm Noon Book Club (Library) 5:00pm EYC (Parish Hall) 5:30pm Fledglings Writing Group (Library) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing	7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 2:00pm Enneagram (Library) 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6342 7:00pm Bible Study (Morgan House) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall) 6:00pm Girl Scouts 6057 (Parish Hall)	9:00am Food Pantry 10:00am Morgan House 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 tuna w/water; 1 packages of spaghetti; 2 cans pasta sauce
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 Sunday is traditionally called 'low Sunday' in many Episcopal churches, because attendance is so low after Easter. But it is a Sunday for which many of us need to be present because it is the Sunday that Jesus lets Thomas feel the scars in his sides; a physical examination of the resurrected Jesus, an event to establish the reality of the transformed Jesus. John then tells us that his purpose in writing this book was to "enable us to come to believe that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name" [20.31]. Just maybe we need to be here to hear this part of the story because this is a very physical enactment of Jesus' resurrection. It is, perhaps, the most concrete story, although there are parts that smack of science fiction. We tend to be very concrete in our thinking even though many of us deal in metaphors much of the time. Thomas was honest and outspoken in his disbelief. The other disciples were more like us, they hung back waiting for someone else to say they wanted proof. We, like they, hang back wanting proof, but unlike the disciples on that day, we must rely on stories and metaphors for our visions of the resurrection. We know about transformation if we have ever lived through the setting aside of one way of life for a new way. That may provide us a clue into the meaning of transformation. What must happen to us to have a transformed self? How do we change? -Ann Drake

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Dollar Bills

All dollar bills in the offering plate this Sunday will go to the Discretionary Fund.

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

**Scripture Readings for Sunday, April 23, 2017
9:00am Service will read from 1 Peter and lead the Psalm.**

Acts 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know- this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one

of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Psalm 16

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Jay and Stacey (safe travels); Karl; Kevin (healing); Fawn, Heather; Stephanie; Shannon; Anisa; Jeff; Chris; Richard; Tammy; Bill; Steve and Nancy; Wilbur and Brigi; Patty and Doug; Haley; Mark; Nikki and Jim; Joe (healing); Tommy (healing); Lisa (healing); Peggy (safe travels); Fred; Kay; Liz; Nancy; Teresa and Family; Bill; Kandi; Safe Travels for the Guatemala Team; Beth; John; Pam; Christy; Madeline; Jake; Kenny; Nicole.

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: Joe LaFace; Camille LaGrossa; Steve, Dee, Rachel, and Harry Lance; David and Marilyn Larson; Liz Larson, Tammy Tucker, Jolyon, Katie and Olivia Larson; Gary Lee; Josh, Hallie, Madeline, and Dillon Leicht; Jack, Debra and Matt Looney; Raymond, Claire, Dalton, and Austin Losardo; Rachel Lott; Valerie Lunsford; Jami, Drew, Cade and Porter Lupkey.

We give thanks for Harmony Missionary Baptist Church.

We give thanks for the Islamic Center of Little Rock.

We give thanks for our Food Pantry Volunteers.

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 Julius Karanu Wa Gicheru, Muranga South, Kenya.

We give thanks for The Kairos Ministry at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

The Departed

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Team 4	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lectors	Norma Smothers	Melanie Cavender Mary Etta Qualls	Nancy Thompson Leigh Ann Warriner
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Greeters		Tracy Simpson Walker Simpson	Claire Losardo Kim Walters
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Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Rita Mackintosh Dan Allen	
Vestry Counters			Dan Allen Tracy Simpson
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