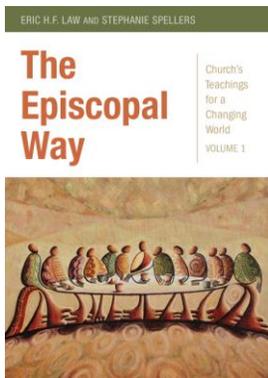




The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, May 25, 2017

The Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 28, 2017, are given in Thanksgiving for her Family, Church Family, Friends, and in memory of "Mitzi," by Pam Holt.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



The Episcopal Way: Exploring Our Faith Parish Hall Chapel

This new Sunday School class meets in the Parish Hall 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!

C/YA!

Calling Young Adults! St Peter's is beginning a College/Young Adult group which meets Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. If you are a college freshman or older, you are welcome to join us. Our study will begin with the video series, Saving Jesus. We meet in the library, and there will be snacks. For more information, contact Peggy or Teri. C/YA there!

DJCC at Camp Mitchell

Dick Johnston Children's Camp (DJCC) at Camp Mitchell is for youth with incarcerated parents. The camp is totally funded by donations and is free to the campers. We need adult volunteers to assist at camp which is scheduled for July 23-28. If you are interested in making a donation or assisting in any way, please contact Kristi Palmer, Director DJCC at 501-940-1591 or kristipalmer2016@gmail.com. Thank you!

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.

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

The Adult Forum Class is watching and discussing a video series called *Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy: Richard Rohr on the Legacy of St. Francis*. We hope you'll join us in the library for these discussions.

PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY



Kite Flying Ascension Day Celebration Picnic and Eucharist May 25, 2017

Preservation Acres
(the Greers' home)

5:30 Kite Flying

6:30 Eucharist

Church will provide chicken and biscuits, **you bring picnic side to share!**

Email jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com for more info!

Map to The Greer's Home 41 Union Road, Greenbrier, Arkansas

<https://www.mapquest.com/directions/list/1/us/ar/conway/72034-5147/925-mitchell-st-35.091422,-92.449809/to/us/ar/greenbrier/72058-9515/41-union-rd-35.238001,-92.484729>

Sara Buck's Gifts for New Home

Sara is moving into her own place, and St. Peter's is giving her a traditional "pounding" (or housewarming) to get her new life started. **Please join us next Wednesday, May 31st, from 5:30 to 7 pm in the church lobby.** She needs all the basic food items to stock the pantry, as well as linens, dishes, and furniture. Gently used items are welcome. John Churchwell will be keeping a list of items that people are giving to Sara, so call the church office to let him know what you're bringing or to ask what she needs. **ALL ARE INVITED!**

Come Holy Spirit! Pentecost Jubilee Sunday, June 4, 2017

- **Tongues of Fire Brunch** - Throughout the morning of Pentecost, we'll commemorate the arrival of the Holy Spirit with a Tongues of Fire Brunch. Bring your spiciest foods to share, and let's set our tongues on fire!
- **Dress the Part** - Join in the fun by dressing in the liturgical color for this wonderful day, CLOTH yourself in RED from head to toe!
- **The Children Will Lead** - All children who would like to participate are invited to dance in the processional with streamers and bells at the 9 and 11 - please make sure to arrive 15 minutes before the service to prepare!



Pride Celebration - We are Family!

Conway Pride is Sunday, June 4th. As usual, we will meet at St. Peter's at about 12:45 and head over to the Pink House together to line up for the parade at 1:00. Volunteers are needed to set up and take down our booth (truck needed) at Simon Park and to run the booth, where we will be handing out bottled water. This year's parade is held in honor of John and Robert, and proceeds will go toward a scholarship in their name. Sign-up sheet is in the lobby.

On Sunday morning, there will be posterboard and markers available in the lobby for making parade posters. Please join in!
Any questions? Contact Rebecca Billy at 501-697-6209 (phone or text).



Save the Date!

Dear Friends,

For the past three years, you have supported me with your loving faithfulness on my journey toward the Diaconate in the Episcopal Church. St. Peter's clergy, staff, and parishioners have provided me guidance and encouragement beyond anything I would have imagined.

Finally, with God's Grace, I will be ordained on **June 15, at 6 pm in the Cathedral**. My hope is that you will put this on your calendars. In addition to me, Keith HERNsberger and Lisa Corry will be ordained the same evening. It will be such a special night for all of us and I sincerely hope you can come and share this event.

Love to my St. Peter's Family,
Linda Brown

Jerusalem's Book!

St. Peter's very own Family Minister, Jerusalem Greer, is celebrating the release of her second book, [At Home in this Life](#), with an upcoming event **June 8***, at **Allsopp Park** in Little Rock, also from 6-8pm.

All ages are invited!

this event is replacing the June 3 event



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 10:00am Tai Chi (Parish Hall) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 5:30pm Ascension Day Celebration 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6342 (Parish Hall) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (Parish Hall)	9:00am Food Pantry 9:30am Morgan House 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 Church in a Changing World 11:00am Rite II 7:00pm Contemplative Quaker Fellowship (Classroom 4)	**Parish Office** ***Closed*** 10:00am Chi Kung (Parish Hall) 11:30am Centering Prayer (Side Chapel) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 30	May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3
7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 7:00pm Circle of Trust (Morgan House)	12:00pm Noon Book Club (Library) 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Morgan House) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing 8:00pm C/YA (Library)	7:00am Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) 10:00am Tai Chi (Parish Hall) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Library) 7:00pm Enneagram (Library)	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 tuna/water; 2 pkg pasta; 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

Countryman, in his book entitled "Living on the Border," is concerned with the meaning of the priesthood for our time. He says "The priesthood belongs to all humanity. . . . Priesthood is common to us all, yet it is lived out in myriad ways. . . . it is anchored in common human experience and . . . it is shaped in specific religious traditions. . . . [there are] two distinct but related priesthoods [that] coexist in the life of the church - the fundamental human priesthood and its sacramental counterpart, the priesthood of religion. [p. xi]" Jesus provides us models for these two priesthoods through his demonstration of his goodness, healing powers, and extravagant love while walking with those he ministered to with a solidarity that was extraordinary. The fact that these qualities of his life meant that he regularly broke the purity laws was what caused the priests to ban together in their efforts to rid their society of him. Their petitions ultimately fell on the listening ears of Roman territorial governors who felt the political threat of a disturbance, and that resulted in Jesus' death. He demonstrated that we can know God without the services of the clergy, who often were politically married to Rome in this historical setting. This factor caused him to gather food on the Sabbath in order that he and his companions might eat. He healed the sick without regard for the day and their illness. He talked with women and permitted them to touch him in public. He ministered to prostitutes, tax collectors, Samaritans, and other outcasts without apology. Where are we as priests? Are we not priests charged to at least minister to some of the outcasts in this society? I am confident that Jesus did not expect us to do all of the things that he did, but I do believe that he expected us to reach out beyond our comfort zones to others in need of support and love. That is ministry, and we are all expected to participate. -Ann Drake

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Dollar Bills

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

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

Scripture Readings for Sunday, May 28, 2017

9:00am Service will read from Acts and lead the Psalm.

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the

mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Nikki and Jim; Shannon; Anisa; Kevin; Jeff; Kaitlyn; Chris; Don; Karrie; Reed; Kyle; Cole; Riley; Chandler; Nicki; Rebecca and Aidan; Erin (good health); The Wiltgen Family (safe travels); Ben; Cole (safe travels); Baby Emma (healing); Rita; Teri; Dee and Bob (safe travels); Fred; Kay; Liz; Nancy; Rick; Brett; 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: Bob and Dee Sanders; Andrea Savage; Sam, Dana, and Chuck Savage; Mike Schaefer and Lynn Ramage; Charlie Schmeider; Carolyn Scott; Jacquie Seroy; Milo and Ann Shult; John, Kate Marie, and John Robert

Shute; Lance, Angelia, Rowen and Felix Simpson.
 We give thanks for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.
 We give thanks for the Unitarian Universalist Church in Little Rock.
 We give thanks for our Eucharistic Ministers.
 We give thanks for Rev. Heber Ruiz & St. Martin of Tours, Totoncapan (toe-toe-neeka-pan).
 We give thanks for The Rt Revd Evans Jonathan Ibeagha, and the church in Nigeria.
 We give thanks for the Recovery Groups at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

The Departed:

Deloris; Mildred; Gary

Team 3	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lector	Norma Smothers	Melanie Cavender Mary Etta Qualls	Nancy Thompson Leigh Ann Warriner
Ushers	Joe Arn	Erin Weindorf Deana Weindorf	Leigh Ann Warriner Ted Warriner
Oblationers		Nancy Thompson Mary Etta Qualls	Dave Campbell Kent Ballew
Greeters		Tracy Simpson Walker Simpson	Claire Losardo Kim Walters
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Erin Weindorf	Leigh Ann Warriner Beth Brady	Ellen Stengel Jay Ruud
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Catherine Fortney Tanya Buchanan	
Vestry Counters			Jane Harris Christy Garrett-Jones
Acolytes		AM: Wylie Greer C: Miles Greer T1: Wylie Greer T2: Amaris Hill G: Aiden Hill	AM: Wylie Greer C: Jack Wirts T1: Stephany Gray-Wirtz T2: Amy Rice
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