



## **The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, July 20, 2017**

The Altar Flowers are given this week by Tanya Buchanan. in honor of The Rev. Teri Daily.

### **Education for Ministry (EfM) Information Session, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10 am in the Parish Hall**

An information session on the EfM program will be held Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10 in the Parish Hall. Please join us then to learn more about what the EfM training can do for your spiritual learning and growth!

EfM is a four-year course of study that provides lay persons with the tools to move forward in Christian service, gain a deeper understanding of scripture, and acquire a stronger ability to think theologically.

The EfM seminar group, which is the nucleus of the Education for Ministry program, provides the spiritual community in which to study, pray, and reflect. Each seminar group consists of six to twelve participants and a trained mentor who meet weekly over the course of a nine-month academic year. These meetings are usually from two and a half to three hours in length.

### **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](mailto: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.



## Camp Mitchell Scholarship Fund

The cost of one session of Summer Camp at **Camp Mitchell cost \$425 per child**. While this might cause a bit of sticker shock, Camp Mitchell has done their best to keep prices at a reasonable rate for lodging, staff, food and facilities, and their price is extremely competitive. However, as you can imagine the cost can still be hard for many families to swing in full. If you would like to make a donating to the Camp Mitchell Scholarship Fund, please place a check in the offering plate or our bookkeeper's box, with CAMP in the memo line.

And thank you so much for helping to send our kids to Camp Mitchell - it truly is a life changing experience.

## Save the Date!

VBS! Jul 30 - Aug 3, 2017 at First Pres! 5:30-8:00pm.

Email [jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com](mailto:jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com) to volunteer! Youth workers welcome!



## Creative Arts Camp and Explorer's Farm Camp at Camp Mitchell - Two New Camps, Lots of Fun!

**July 30- August 4**

Farm Camp will be geared towards junior and senior high campers interested in spending the week exploring the Camp Mitchell

Agricultural Project. This camp will be capped at 20 campers and run simultaneously with Creative Arts Camp. More details to come. Creative Arts Camp Creative Arts Camp will be geared towards middler and junior high aged campers interested in spending the week exploring various art forms. This camp will be capped at 40 campers and run simultaneously with Farm Camp. More details to come.

## Servant Leadership School

Servant Leadership School is sponsoring a half-day workshop on August 5, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. It will be led by Amanda Moore, D.Min and is entitled "Practicing Self-Compassion: Transforming Stress."

## Ministry Team 4

As Jerusalem has informed you, I am taking over Ministry Team 4 and it is completely new to me, so I am asking for everyone's help. I know that we have already lost a few of our Team and will soon be losing more, so I am asking anyone if they would like to serve. Serving in some capacity one Sunday a month, in my opinion, makes me feel closer to my Church and the people who are there. If you can, and would like to help, just let me know what you would like to do. All help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
Claire Losardo

## Updated Staff Email List

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# CALENDAR

| Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  | Sunday   | Monday   |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| July 20   | July 21   | July 22   | July 23  | July 24  |
| <b>7:00am</b><br>Morning Prayer<br>(Side Chapel)<br><b>2:00pm</b><br>SLS Planning<br>(Library)<br><b>6:00pm</b><br>Wisdom House<br>(Morgan House)<br><b>6:30pm</b><br>Finance Meeting<br>(Classroom 2)<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Enneagram<br>(Library) | <b>4:00pm</b><br>Conway Locally<br>Grown<br>(Parish Hall) | <b>9:00am</b><br>Food Pantry<br><b>12:00pm</b><br>Parish Hall<br>Reserved | <b>7:30am</b><br>Rite I<br><b>8:40am</b><br>Nursery Opens<br><b>8:50am</b><br>Gnostic<br>Discussion<br>(Library)<br><b>9:00am</b><br>Enriching our<br>Worship<br>Eucharist<br><b>10:00am</b><br>Adult<br>Formation<br><b>11:00am</b><br>Rite II<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Contemplative<br>Quaker<br>Fellowship<br>(Classroom 4) | <b>11:30am</b><br>Centering<br>Prayer<br>(Side Chapel)<br><b>6:30pm</b><br>Narcotics<br>Anonymous<br>(Morgan<br>House) |

| Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday   |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| July 25   | July 26   | July 27  | July 28  | July 29  |
| <b>7:00am</b> Morning Prayer<br>(Side Chapel)<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Circle of Trust<br>(Morgan House) | <b>12:00pm</b><br>Noon Book Club<br>(Library)<br><b>6:30pm</b><br>Narcotics Anonymous<br>(Morgan House)<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Holy Eucharist and<br>Prayers for Healing<br><b>8:00pm</b><br>C/YA<br>(Library) | <b>7:00am</b><br>Morning Prayer<br>(Side Chapel)<br><b>2:00pm</b><br>Enneagram<br>(Library)<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Enneagram<br>(Library) | <b>4:00pm</b><br>Conway Locally Grown<br>(Parish Hall) | <b>9:00am</b><br>Food Pantry<br><b>12:00pm</b><br>Parish Hall Reserved |

## St. Peter's Episcopal Church Summer Calendar

- July 23      Rev. Jason Alexander, from the Diocesan Office, preaching in all three services.  
Meet and Greet in Lobby for Rev. Bob Brown and Rev. Linda Brown.
- July 25      Meet and Greet in Lobby for Rev. Bob Brown and Rev. Linda Brown, 12:00pm.

- July 30 Rev. Bob Brown preaching in all three services.
- August 6 Rev. Peggy Cromwell preaching in all three services.
- August 13 Blessing of the Backpacks (9:00am and 11:00am)

## 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 pasta; 2 cans of 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

In her book entitled *Leaving the Church*, Barbara Brown Taylor describes her changing view of her own priesthood as she reflects on her experiences as a beginning professor of religion at Piedmont College in Georgia. "My vocation was to love God and my neighbor, and that was something I could do anywhere, with anyone, with or without a collar. My priesthood was not what I did but who I was. In this new light, nothing was wasted. All that had gone before was blessing and all yet to come was more. [p. 209]" For Taylor the priesthood had changed from one which involved the blessing of the Eucharist and the care of the institutional church to one which was on the outside boundaries of 'mother church.' It was the priesthood of all believers. Her priesthood was for the same as the one for which you and I are responsible: to love God and our neighbors. Her vocation, like yours and mine, is to find the Holy wherever it might be and to help others see God in their explorations as well as to be willing to find a vision in relationship to their neighbors. Being open to the possibility of enlarging their view of the Holy in the differences that we have from the other. Not all of us see God through the same lens, or indeed, call God, the Holy, by the same name or through the same criterion. 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, July 23, 2017

#### Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place-and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar

and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

### **Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23**

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*  
where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning \*  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me \*  
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*  
and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day; \*  
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; \*  
try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me \*  
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

### **Romans 8:12-25**

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

### **Matthew 13:24-30,36-43**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun

in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

## Prayers of the People

### Prayers and Petitions:

Jim and Nikki; Shannon; Anisa; Rebecca and Aidan; Porcaro Family; Kathryn; Morgan; Phyllis and Tom; Mary; Christopher; Teri and Dave (safe travels); Carisa; Freda; Fred; Kay; Liz; Nancy; Erin; John; Beth; Carl.

### 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: Jerry and Madelyn Adams; Judy Adams; Dan and Nancy Allen; Aly and Emile Antoine; Pierre and Kim Antoine; Joe and Diane Arn; Kent Ballew and Dave Campbell; Flo Barton; Hollis Barton; Kat and Abraham Baxter.

We give thanks for the Second Baptist Church.

We give thanks for the Hillel Association at Hendrix.

We give thanks for our Discretionary Fund.

We give thanks for The Rt Revd Humphery Olumakaiye Osun, North East, Ibadan, Nigeria.

We give thanks for the Climate Action Team at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

### The Departed:

|                      |                 |                                  |                                     |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Team 4               | 7:30am          | 9:00am                           | 11:00am                             |
| Lectors              | Pam Holt        | Nancy Thompson                   | Jay Ruud<br>Stacey Jones            |
| Ushers               | Joe Arn         | Tracy Simpson<br>Walker Simpson  | Wylie Greer<br>Ted Warriner         |
| Oblationers          |                 | Nancy Thompson<br>Claire Losardo | Erin Weindorf<br>Deana Weindorf     |
| Greeters             | Kim Walters     | Nancy Thompson<br>Tracy Simpson  | Austin Losardo<br>LeighAnn Warriner |
| Eucharistic Visitor  |                 |                                  |                                     |
| Eucharistic Minister | Jerusalem Greer | Dee Sanders<br>Nathan Greer      | Jim Fowler<br>Beth Brady            |
| Acolytes             |                 | AM:<br>CB: Harry Lance           | AM:/C:<br>Jaylee Garrett-Jones      |
| Vestry Counters      |                 |                                  | Sam Buchanan<br>Dan Allen           |
| Altar Guild          |                 |                                  | Team 2                              |

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