



## The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, August 11, 2016

### Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Altar flowers are given by Warren and Shari Readnour in celebration of our anniversary and in thanksgiving of our daughters, Ashlyn and Julia, and for the Glory of God.

### A Labyrinth Memo.....

Hello St. Peter's! You are looking at a new format/layout for the Labyrinth Walk. I hope you enjoy the new layout and especially the pictures and logos. If you would like to publish anything through the office using print or social media, I'm happy to help. Please write out exactly what you want in paragraph form, and I'll work on the formatting and layout for you. The deadline to have information in the LabWalk and Bulletin is Wednesdays at noon.

As your Parish Administrator, if there is anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to call the church office, or email me at [john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com](mailto:john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com).

### Mission and Ministry Directory

A new Mission and Ministry Directory is in the works!

If you are the contact lead for a mission or ministry at St. Peter's, please email a paragraph description of your mission or ministry to [john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com](mailto:john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com).

You may also include pictures! The deadline to submit information for the new Mission and Ministry Directory is Monday, August 15, 2016.

### Peggy Cromwell Ordination -

Congratulations to Peggy Cromwell, St. Peter's newest Deacon!



### Ministry Fair - August 28, 2016

Join us between services for the Ministry Fair! Spend time in the lobby of St. Peter's learning about all the wonderful things that go on here. Sunday, August 28 at 8:15am until 11:00am.

This is a wonderful opportunity to sign up for an activity, to join a ministry, and to meet lots of people. Don't miss it!

# SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

## EfM Registration Deadline

The fall Education For Ministry registration is approaching. If you have not submitted your registration and payment already, please do this as soon as possible.

If you need registration forms these are in the front office. You may also ask John Churchwell or email Nita Brown for a downloadable copy. Please include whether you plan to attend the Monday 2 pm class or the Tuesday 6 pm class in your email. If you need more information, please contact Nita Brown at [nitakbrown@yahoo.com](mailto:nitakbrown@yahoo.com) or 501-350-9336.



EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY  
a program of the University of the South

## 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.

## Brown Book Club Update

- New Day and Book!

### Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life by Richard Rohr

Dates and Day: Wednesday August 17 - Sept. 21

Time: Noon - 1:00 Location: Church Library

In *Falling Upward*, Fr. Richard Rohr seeks to help readers understand the tasks of the two halves of life and to show them that those who have fallen, failed, and/or "gone down" are the only ones who understand "up"; Most of us tend to think of the second half of life as largely about getting old, dealing with health issues, and letting go of life, but the whole thesis of this book is exactly the opposite. What looks like falling down can largely be experienced as ;falling upward; In fact, it is not a loss but somehow actually a gain, as we have all seen with elders who have come to their fullness.

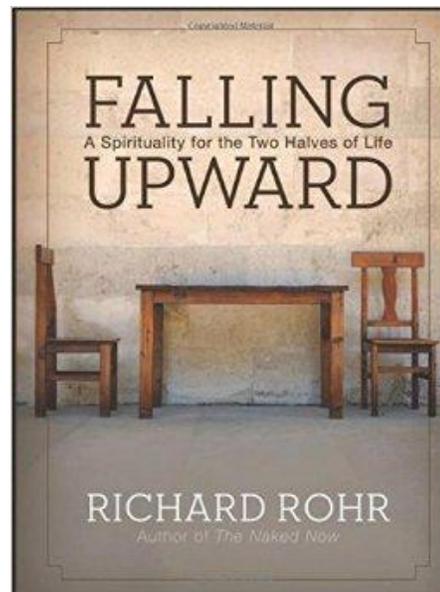
\* Explains why the second half of life can and should be full of spiritual richness

\* Offers a new view of how spiritual growth happens? Loss is gain

\* Richard. Rohr is a regular contributing writer for *Sojourners* and *Tikkun* magazines

This important book explores the counter-intuitive message that we grow spiritually much more by doing wrong than by doing right-- a fresh way of thinking about spirituality that grows throughout life.

For more information contact Linda Brown.



## SLS Registration

St. Peter's own Servant Leadership School is offering an eight-week introductory course on Servant Leadership Mondays at 6 p.m. starting September 12, 2016. If you are looking for inspiration, wisdom and companionship on your spiritual journey, please pick up a brochure in the church lobby, and register today. Presenters include Teri Daily, Merry Helen Hedges, Amanda Moore, Diane Brownlee, June Stewart, Carolyn Scott and Judy Helm. Deadline for registration is August 29, 2016. You can download a copy of the brochure here:

<http://stpetersconway.org/wp-content/uploads/SLS16.pdf>

## Centering Prayer Retreat-September

September 16, 2016 at 5:00 pm--September 18, 2016 at 11:30 am

Canterbury House - Camp Mitchell -10 Camp Mitchell Road - Morrilton, AR 72110

Facilitated by Catherine Crews

Commissioned by Contemplative Outreach

Cost of weekend is \$139. Includes room and 5 meals.

To register call Helen Hargreaves 501-727-5451 or email [director@campmitchell.org](mailto:director@campmitchell.org)

Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer that helps open our hearts and minds to consent to God's presence and action in our lives. This retreat will include periods of Centering Prayer, teachings on practices that help extend the effects of Centering Prayer into daily life, and private time for rest, study, and prayer. We will keep silence during meals and at night. There will be an opportunity for instruction for those new to this prayer practice.

This retreat is based on the teachings of Thomas Keating and Contemplative Outreach. It is appropriate for those who have practiced Centering Prayer or other forms of meditative prayer, and those new to silent prayer. Join us in retreat in the natural beauty of Camp Mitchell. All are welcome!

## Centering Prayer Retreat-October

October 26-29, Wed 5 pm to Saturday Noon

Facilitated by Catherine Crews - Commissioned by Contemplative Outreach.

House of Blessings, 171 Hummingbird Lane, Eureka Springs, AR 72632.

Phone: 479-253-7379, 479-253-7379.

Course is FREE. Seats limited to 14. You are welcome to make a donation for the three-night, single occupancy stay, ten meals and snacks, and educational sessions. The cost to run the program is \$75 per day per person, without the director's fee.

Your donation helps sustain spiritual programs free of charge for more people.

# CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
August 11	August 12	August 13	August 14	August 15
<b>7:00am</b> Morning Prayer <b>12:00pm</b> SLS Planning <b>2:00pm</b> Enneagram (Lib)	<b>4:00pm</b> Conway Locally Grown (PH)	<b>9:00am</b> Food Pantry	<b>7:30am</b> Rite I Holy Eucharist <b>8:45am</b> Adult Christian Ed <b>9:00am</b> Enriching our Worship Holy Eucharist <b>10:00am</b> Adult Forum <b>11:00am</b> Rite II Holy Eucharist <b>12:30pm</b> DOK (MH) <b>3:00pm</b> Back to School Bash	<b>11:15am</b> Centering Prayer <b>2:30pm</b> Back to School parking lot welcome <b>5:30pm</b> Vestry Meeting <b>6:00pm</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>7:00pm</b> Brotherhood of St. Andrews

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 16	August 17	August 18	August 19	August 20
<b>7:00am</b> Morning Prayer <b>7:00pm</b> Circle of Trust (MH)	<b>5:30pm</b> The Fledgling Writing Group <b>6:00pm</b> Narcotics Anonymous <b>7:00pm</b> Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing	<b>7:00am</b> Morning Prayer <b>12:00pm</b> SLS Planning	<b>4:00pm</b> Conway Locally Grown (PH)	<b>8:30am</b> Third Saturday Breakfast <b>9:00am</b> Food Pantry

## Save the Date:

**8/28** - Ministry Fair

**9/11** - Rally Day

**10/2** - 10:00am - Animal Blessing

**10/8** - Confirmation Rehearsal

**10/9** - Bishop/Confirmation Day

## CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

### Back-2-School Splash Bash Time! - August 14, 3-5pm,

#### Donna and Eric Hutchinson's home.

The St. Peter's Youth (grades 4 - 12) are invited to the Hutchinson's home on Sunday, Aug 14, at 3pm, for a fun filled afternoon of swimming, eating, and celebrating the new school year, sponsored by St. Peter's EYC. Please bring a side-dish, desert, or beverages to share, and be ready to have a blast! Parents are welcome to stay and enjoy the event as well.

For more information, please contact Jerusalem Greer at [jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com](mailto:jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com)



### Blessing of the Backpacks-August 14!

All students and teachers are invited to come and receive a blessing for the new school year at all three services on Sunday, August 14. Children are encouraged to bring their backpacks with them!



## FOOD PANTRY

### It's Back-2-School for the Food Pantry!

Help us stock the Food Pantry shelves with school supplies for our Pantry Kids!

You can drop off crayons, markers, scissors, pens, pencils, ruled paper, three-prong folders, glue sticks, tissue boxes, and composition notebooks to the little red wagon in the church lobby and help our kids start out the school year prepare.



### 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.

**Sunday, August 21, 2016**

**2 cans whole kernel corn, 1 box of cereal, 2 packages of ramen**

**We are also in need of diapers.**

\*\*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

Abraham and Sarah had no heir, a difficult problem in a culture defined by lines of inheritance. Abraham was an old man and Sarah, an old woman. He was 99 and Sarah was 90 years old, according to the story, when God promised them a child. They laughed, who wouldn't? It is God's biggest joke! I'm not ninety and I would think God had lost it if I heard such a promise. God's response is to continue the joke by telling them to name the child Isaac, meaning he laughed. God is not without a sense of humor. And, a year or so later we find that Isaac is with his parent's Abraham and Sarah. God really has a sense of humor if it is imagined that a man

of 99 and a woman of ninety want a squalling baby for a roommate. But the promise of an heir is kept. What is this about? Abraham and Sarah were cynical about the promise, so would we all be. Is it about humor? To some extent. Who could fail to see the humor in a hundred and a ninety-one year old having an infant! Perhaps that is part of the point. We Christians tend to be fairly uptight in our view of God. But this is the Old Testament, and the Jewish community as I know it, is not quite so rigid. There's is about faith? Yes, if we understand that God has a way of keeping his covenants with his people. Abraham and Sarah have been on many journeys with God during their lives as people of faith. Their journeys have always been risky. This is no less a risk. God keeps this covenant, and there is more to come. -Ann Drake

## CHURCH FINANCIALS

### Discretionary Fund

All \$1 bills from this Sunday's offering will go in the Discretionary Fund.

### Where your tithe goes.....

\$15,941.65 has been spent from August 2015 through August 2016, on our Electric, Water, Gas, and Internet bill.

## EVENTS



### St. Peter's To Host Two Events

This September, St. Peter's will join other Conway organizations in celebrating ArtsFest, an event planned by the Conway Alliance for the Arts (CAFTA). This week long event provides opportunities for artists, musicians, poets and craftspeople to display and share their talents with the community.

St. Peter's will host 2 very different events.

On Sunday, September 25th at 3 PM, Timothy Allen and Christine Westhoff are presenting a concert program which extends from oratorio and opera arias to sacred songs.



Tim Allen and Christine Westhoff

On Thursday, September 29th at 7 PM, the Parish Hall will be transformed into St. Pete's Coffee House and will feature music by Jay McDaniel's Fat Soul Band and Denise Hurd's Rackensack musicians.



Fat Soul Band

As with other ArtsFest events, no admission will be charged. However, presenting these 2 programs to the community does incur expenses. We are asking you to consider becoming a sponsor for either event. We will have all levels of sponsorships available.

We are so excited and especially happy to be involved in Artsfest this year since Independent Living Services has been designated as the Non-Profit organization which will receive special attention throughout the celebration. It will also be fun for us at St. Peter's to recognize this organization since the director is our own Elissa Douglas.

Rev. Teri & Marilyn Rishkofski

### Labyrinth Walk Submission Deadline

The deadline to submit any information for the Labyrinth Walk, and for the bulletin, is Wednesday at noon. Please email John Churchwell at [john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com](mailto:john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com), any pertinent church information that needs to be publicized.

## SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

### Prayers of the People

#### Prayers & Petitions:

Chloe, Kevin, Catherine and Mack, John, Teri (safe travel), Margaret, Bill, Jenny, Doug and Odessa, Hannah, Jon and Julie, Micah, Nita, Linda, Bob, Sam

#### Thanksgivings:

We give thanks for the people of St. Peter's and visitors with us this week.

We give thanks for: Adam, Alye, and Alan Bell; David, Lisa, Brian Bell and Ashton Morris; Phillip, Annette, Drew, Jeff, and Luke Bell; Scotty and Debbie Bell; Stewart Bell; David and Carey Benedict. Marcia Bernauer; Rebecca and Aiden Billy.

We give thanks for Trinity Faith Tabernacle.

We give thanks for the Islamic Center of Little Rock.

We give thanks for our Children and Youth Ministries.

We give thanks for St. John the Apostle, Chichicastenango (chee-chee-castin-ango) & the Rev. Pascuala Ventura.

We give thanks for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa, the Most Revd. Dr. Thabo Makgoba, Archbishop of Capetown and Primate of Southern Africa.

We give thanks for Connie Haggard, Liturgical Coordinator, at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

#### Departed:

Gladys Archie, Donna, Danielle and Riley, Clydine, Karen Wasil

## Readings to be Led by Lectors for Services on August 14

\*\*The 9:00am Service will read from Jeremiah and lead the Psalm

### First Reading

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

### Psalm 82

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; \*  
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \*  
and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; \*  
defend the humble and needy;
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \*  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand;  
they go about in darkness; \*  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \*  
and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \*  
and fall like any prince."
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \*  
for you shall take all nations for your own.

### Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

*The Liturgical Readings will be published in the Labyrinth Walk each week.*

## Liturgical Ministries Schedule

<b>Team 2</b>	<b>7:30am Rite I</b>	<b>9:00 Enriching with Music</b>	<b>11:00 Rite II</b>
<b>Lectors</b>	Douglas Young	Donna Bowman	Marianne Welch Chris Odom
<b>Greeters</b>		Judy Helm Pansy Westrich	Kelley King Carolyn Scott
<b>Ushers</b>		Kent Ballew John Phillips	Marilyn and David Larson
<b>Oblationers</b>		Patsy Evans Judy Helm	Robert Wickser Kelley King
<b>Eucharistic Ministers (EM)</b>	Pam Holt	Steve Eddy EM 1 Erin Weindorf EM 2	Dan Allen EM 1 Ellen Stengel EM 2
<b>Eucharistic Visitors (EV)</b>			Tanya Buchanan Deana Weindorf
<b>Vestry Counters</b>			Jay Ruud Liz Larson
<b>Acolytes</b>		AM: Wylie Greer CB: Rachel or Harry Lance	AM: Jerusalem Greer C: Jaylee Garrett-Jones T1: Elise McGarrity T2: Kathryn Spinks
<b>Altar Guild</b>			Team 4