



The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, September 22, 2016

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Altar flowers are given by given by Paul McCowan and Eric Jones.

Dr. Jay Ruud will be preaching in all three services Sunday morning.

A Labyrinth Memo

Patty Oeste, Organist/Choir Director

What is that heavenly sound? YES, St. Peter's choir is back in session! We have a great year of music planned and we all hope you find it enriching to your worship. If you don't know me, I am Patty Oeste and I have been organizing the music at St. Peter's since I was hired in October, 1990. Yup - 26 years! That hardly seems possible. Wolf and I (and Micaela and eventually Andreas) came here from Chicago where I was raised. We had both finished our Masters at Northwestern and were looking for a great place to raise our kids. We had spent the previous 10 years in Europe singing major roles in many European opera houses. But, we knew that the lifestyle was getting too difficult with Mica becoming a first grader and entering her school life. As it turns out, Wolf got hired at UCA in the music department and we moved to Conway, Arkansas. It was in a hallway of Snow Fine Arts Center on a bulletin board where I read the announcement that St. Peter's Episcopal Church was looking for an organist. So, I went to a church service to see what a service looked like (I was raised Lutheran and had never attended an Episcopal service) and we stayed. Been here ever since!

I love it at St. Peter's. It is a uniquely welcoming and loving place. It's you, the people, who make it this way. I am so grateful that I saw that job announcement, that I came to St. Peter's to check it out, that I met Peggy Hays (who hired me), that I stuck with it, that I have met so many wonderful people, made music with them, and continue to "bring it" every Sunday! I hope that our music making brings you joy. I think of all the wonderful people that have expressed their love of music over the years and commented on how much music adds to the service and how moving it can be.

And so, we go on, making that heavenly sound!

Bishop Visitation Sunday and Confirmation

Bishop Benfield will be celebrating with us on
Sunday, October 9
at the 9:00am and 11:00am services.





Pie Fest - October 9

Following the 11AM service

Come celebrate the Bishop's visit with some great Parish Life fun!

We will enjoy a Pie-themed Potluck Lunch together! Bring your favorite savory pies, sweet pies, or a side dish to share as we fellowship with Bishop Benfield and each other.

The church will provide drinks and some chicken. The Boomer's will serenade us during the meal and there be fun activities for the kids including a Pie Eating Contest! Have questions or want to serve on the Pie Fest Planning Team? Contact Jerusalem Greer

Jerusalem.greer@stpetersconway.com

Volunteer of the Week

Congrats to Christy Garrett-Jones, our volunteer of the week!

Christy (pictured on the left) is currently serving as a member of our Vestry and as the Food Pantry and Thanksgiving Basket Coordinators - all jobs that take great intention and time. In addition to all the love she gives our church and the hungry in our community, Christy, her wife Sarah, and their two daughters Jaylee and Julian, also share their home and their table with anyone who needs a soft place to land. Recently they have opened their home to a foster group of siblings - each under the age of four. We are so grateful for Christy, her tender heart, and her tenacious spirit!



Instant Church Directory App

St. Peter's Church Directory App has been continuously updated with updated information that is given to the church office. If your information needs to be updated or corrected, please contact John Churchwell at john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com.

One new feature for the app is an * indicates a household that has two or more adult last names. These households are listed by both last names.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

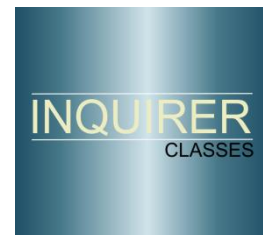
Theology Coffee Group

The Theology Coffee Group is gearing back up! We will meeting on Thursday, September 22, at 7 pm at Panera. A group usually gathers round 6:15 to eat together so please feel free to join in for that as well. Our guest presenter will be Bob Musser. Come hear about a theologian dear to Bob's heart!

Inquirer's Workshop Evening Sessions - September 27 and October 4, 6-pm

Would you like to learn more about the Episcopal Church? Whether you are new to our congregation or have been a part of St. Peter's for a long time, you're invited to attend Inquirer Workshop! This two-night workshop for adults (eighteen years of age and up), is full of lively discussions in the church Library. These classes

are especially important (and required) for those planning to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church when the bishop visits St. Peter's in October. We will have light snacks during the workshop. Email Jerusalem.Greer@stpetersconway.com or click on [this link](#) to sign-up! Childcare is available upon request



The Journey

If you are interested in attending the next Journey Weekend October 21 - 23, please see Contact Nancy Thompson or [visit the Cursio site!](#)

What is The Journey?

It is a weekend retreat designed to enliven the faith of interested Christians so they may begin to discover Jesus' will for their lives, then return home and work to strengthen and bless their local church and communities in light of the Kingdom of God.

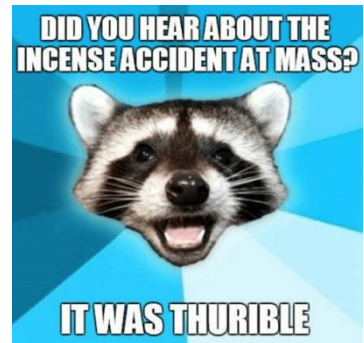
The retreat is based on a method of living the Christian life that has been presented in many denominations for over 70 years. It is a method that works! It focuses on how the resources of our faith strengthen and support our apostleship, and it emphasizes those elements of doctrine and discipline which empower us to reach out. It also offers a method for ongoing support.

Canterbury College Ministry

The Canterbury College Ministry will have an organizational meet-up on Sunday, September 25, at 12:30 at La Huerta Mexican Restaurant (1052 Harrison St). All college students are invited to attend. We will get to know one another and talk about future meetings and potential topics for discussion. There will be a group leaving from St Peter's after the 11:00 service. Check with Rev. Teri or Rev. Peggy if you need a ride.

Thurifer Training Coming in October!!!

On Sunday, October 23, at 1:00 pm, ANYONE 14 AND OLDER is invited to participate in training to become a THURIFER. If you didn't know, that's the person who swings the big brass thing on a chain with incense in it. Mr. Robert Farrar, Head Thurifer at St Mark's Episcopal Church in Little Rock, will be here to conduct the training. A signup sheet will be available in the office. For more information, contact Rev Peggy at peggy.cromwell@stpetersconway.com

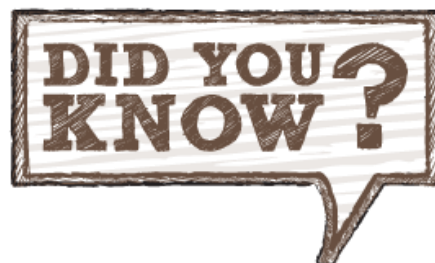


Morning Prayer

Join us every Tuesday and Thursday for Morning Prayer at 7 am in the Side Chapel, led by The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew.

Parish Life Fun-Facts

- Last week we had over 50 kids, ages 1 month - 17 years of age, involved in some sort of spiritual formation or care here at St. Peter's.
- Thursday is the busiest day at the church, with 7 groups meeting.
- We will have been an official Parish (instead of a Mission) for 5 years in January!



CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
September 22	September 23	September 24	September 25	September 26
7:00am Morning Prayer 2:00pm Enneagram 4:00pm Confirmation 6:00pm Art, Pray Love Meeting (Lib) 6:30pm Girl Scouts (PH) 7:00pm Theology Coffeehouse Panara Bread	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH) 6:30pm Morgan House Reserved	9:00am Food Pantry	7:30am Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:00am Enriching our Worship Holy Eucharist 10:00am Adult Forum 11:00am Rite II Holy Eucharist 12:30pm Canterbury College Ministry La Huerta 3:00pm ArtsFest Recital 7:00pm Contemplative Quaker Fellowship	11:15am Centering Prayer 12:00pm Fall Bible Study 2:00pm EfM 4:00pm Confirmation 5:30pm SLS (MH) 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (PH)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 27	September 28	September 29	September 30	October 1
7:00am Morning Prayer 6:00pm EfM 6:00pm Inquireres (MH) 7:00pm College Dinners (PH)	5:00pm EYC 5:30pm The Fledgling Writing Group 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (MH) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing	7:00am Morning Prayer 2:00pm SLS Planning 4:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Fall Bible Study (MH) 7:00pm ArtsFest Coffeehouse	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH) 6:00pm Girl Scouts 6057 (MH)	9:00am Food Pantry

Save the Date:

September 25, 2016
ArtsFest Recital 3:00pm

October 5, 2016
EYC Dog Wash 5:00-6:30pm

September 29, 2016
ArtsFest Coffee House

October 8, 2016
Confirmation Rehearsal

October 2, 2016
9:00am - Blessing of the Animals

October 9, 2016
Bishop Sunday and Confirmation , Pie Fest Potluck

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

AYE REGISTRATION TIME

The Arkansas Youth Event (AYE) is October 14-16, 2016 at Camp Mitchell!

This is our fall weekend retreat at Camp Mitchell open to 6th-12th grade youth. It is a great kick-off to the new school year, a chance to spend some time with old friends, and a time to make new friends from all over the state. At AYE We play games, we hike, we dance, we sing, we pray, we laugh and we do even more than that. We do it all in 40 hours. That's right...it's pretty amazing.

It is open to all youth across the state and costs \$110. Partial scholarships are usually available at your local church and may also be available from the diocese.

You can register online [HERE](#).

Contact Jerusalem for more info.



Electronic Release Forms

Parents and Guardians - In order to better serve you and your children we have created an online registration and release form for the 2016-2017 ministry year. Please fill this form for each of your children. We will use these in cases of emergencies, outings, and trips. None of the information you provide will be made public or given out without your permission. Thank you!

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=obf5sodab&oeidk=a07ed3hquokea889b12>



EYC Dog Wash

October 5, 5-6:30 pm.

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis the EYC will be hosting a Dog Wash in the Church Parking Lot on October 5.

Donations will be accepted towards EYC Missions and Programs

SHOE BOXES!!!!

NEEDED: Shoe Boxes for a youth group project! Please drop them off in the church office before October 2.

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.

Sunday, September 25, 2016
2 cans of tuna/water, 2 pkg pasta, 2 cans sauce

**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

On September 27 we celebrate St. Vincent de Paul for his work among the poor. He was educated as a theologian at the University of Toulouse and sought a position of comfort and security as the tutor of Count Gondi's children and the chaplain for Margaret of Valois. In 1617 after hearing the confession of a poor person he realized the deplorable treatment of those who lived in poverty in France. He also was influenced by Fr. Peter de Berulle who changed his life. He left his work for the Countess and the security that he had sought to begin his ministry among the galley slaves and to prisoners. He was appointed chaplain for the galley slaves in 1619. In 1625 he founded the Congregation of the Mission dedicated to the preaching of the gospel to the poor and to educating the clergy. In 1633 he and St. Louise de Marillac founded the Sisters of Charity. They worked with the poor, sick, orphaned, and aged as well as recruited funds and help from the wealthy and more fortunate in society some of whom became inspired contributing to the mission with both sums and work. In 1833 Frederic Ozanam founded St. Vincent de Paul in Paris to serve the poor in parishes and diocese throughout the world. Urban areas of the United States are familiar with this ministry through used clothing stores which raise money for their work with the poor and sick. Several hospitals have been established by the Sisters of Charity throughout the U.S. Little Rock's Saint Vincent's Hospital is an example.

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Discretionary Fund

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

Laying the Foundation

Laying the Foundation is our two-year campaign to fund ministries, programs, and staff this year and next year beyond what we could accomplish with our annual stewardship campaign. The funds are needed to continue what we started with our Catch the Vision campaign. We had about \$180,000 pledged to our two-year campaign, and we have collected over \$60,000. Thank you for making your pledge payments. It is important to stay current or even ahead of schedule on your payments. Please contact Mike King if you have questions about your pledge amount or want to make a new/additional pledge. Laying the Foundation is intended to complement our annual stewardship campaign, which will soon be starting.

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 the Fat Soul Band, Denise Hurd's Rackensack musicians, and the Boomers.



Fat Soul Band



The Boomers

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

Sponsors and Donations for ArtsFest Events:

Timothy Allen and Christine Westhoff in concert	9/25	3 PM
St. Pete's Coffee House	9/29	7 PM

The excitement is building as we move closer to our ArtsFest Events. We are busy making sure that the church and Parish Hall are ready for our entertainers as well as our guests. As you have read, there is no admission for the ArtsFest events. However, presenting these 2 programs to the community does incur expenses. We are asking for your help.

This is your chance to become an Archangel! Or an Angel! Or a Saint!

Sponsorships:

Archangel	\$100	Free Westhoff/Allen CD	Name listed in Program
Angel	\$ 50	Free St. Peter's Memorabilia	Name listed in Program
Saint	\$ 25		Name listed in Program

Any donation of any amount would be most appreciated to support the musicians and poets who are sharing their talents with the community. Please take or send checks or cash donations to the church office.

Blessing of the Animals

Join us Sunday, October 2, at 9am for The Blessing of the Animals Eucharist, in honor of the upcoming Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We will meet in the Courtyard a little before 9. The service (which will include Eucharist) will begin at 9am.

All animals great and small, regardless of denomination or feather, are invited (properly restrained, please) to celebrate the sacredness of all life.

Please help support Conway's forgotten pet population by bringing one of the following items: dry dog or cat food, dog biscuits, kitty litter, collars, old blankets and towels.

For more info contact

Jerusalem.Greer@Stpetersconway.com

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS EUCHARIST



IN HONOR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Magdalene Coming Home is taking root!

Magdalene Coming Home will be a sanctuary for healing and recovery for women who have survived abuse, addiction, and often prostitution and prison. MCH will be located in Little Rock and will be modeled on Magdalene/Thistle Farms model in Nashville, Tn. You can follow our progress, and learn more, by going to www.magdalenecominghome.org.

We are looking for input from the community and are anxious to share our plans. Please join us for our FIRST informational FUNraiser...

Thursday, October 6th at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Little Rock
7:00 to 9:00pm, featuring music by STILL MARRIED and FRIENDS

We will have snacks and libations, so join us for some FUN and INFORMATION!
Help us bring these women home!

For more information contact Dee Sanders, deesan1@aol.com

Art, Pray, Love 2017!

Plans for the St. Peter's event that helps fund the medical missionary trip to Guatemala are beginning with the announcement that Pansy Westrich will be this year's Art, Pray, Love co-chair. Working alongside co-chair, Marianne Welch, Pansy will soon be scheduling committee meetings and asking for your help. We thank Pansy for taking over this commitment that is so important to the men and women who travel to Guatemala to help with medical issues.

Marilyn Rishkofski

Rides to the polls for EARLY voting in the General Election

Madelyn Adams will take groups of voters to the polls for early voting beginning October 24 through October 28. The General Election is November 8.

She can take groups of 3, and you should know that the walk could involve steps. Call or email if you're interested, and she'll get groups together later depending on demand.

madelynadams@yahoo.com

501-329-2181



Labyrinth Walk Submission Deadline

The deadline to submit any information for the Labyrinth Walk, and for the bulletin, is Tuesday at 2:00pm. Please email John Churchwell at john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com, any pertinent church information that needs to be publicized.

Peter's Pence Submission Deadline

The deadline to submit any information for October's Peter's Pence is Monday, September 23, 2016 at 2:00pm. Please email John Churchwell at john.churchwell@stpetersconway.com, any pertinent church information that needs to be publicized.

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

Prayers of the People

Prayers & Petitions:

Wanda; Donna; Kevin (healing); Dianna; Kelley; Bev (safe travels); Robert, Christy; William; Gloria; Russell; Amy; Teri; Susannah; Blanch; Freda; James; Carisa; David; Shawn; Brandon; Shannon and Anisa; John and Stephanie (safe travels); Oivia; Lillian and Fred; Catherine and Mack and family; Neal; Trudy and family.

In Loving Support for:

Jenny, Doug, Odessa, Hannah, Jon, 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: Jeremy, Shaina, Rosalie Goodman, and Lily Smalling; Sondra Gordy; Nathan, Jerusalem, Wiley, and Miles Greer; Ashley Groves; Opp Guenard; Carol Gulas and Casey Quast; Grady and Grace Gunter; Mike, Kathy, and Sarah Gunter; Sandra Hamilton; Chloe Hammett; Chris, Suzanne, Ryleigh, and Aiden Hansen; Jason, Caroline, Sylvia, Lena, and Franklin Hansen; Brett Hardison and Brandon Dietz.

We give thanks for Harvest Church of the Nazarene.

We give thanks for Lubavitch Center for Jewish Learning.

We give thanks for our Newcomers Ministry.

We give thanks for The Church in Wales, The Most Revd Dr Barry Morgan Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Llandaff.

We give thanks for Rev. Jose Morales Perez and St. Matthew's, Chuguexa (choo-yakes-ah).

We give thanks for St. Martin's Fields for Others, at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

Departed:

Vincent, Mary, Gladys, Archie, Donna, Buz

Liturgical Readings for Sunday, September 25, 2016

The lector for the 9:00am Service will read 1 Timothy and lead the Psalm.

Amos 6:1a,4-7

Psalm 146

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Luke 16:19-31

[Click here to view the readings for Sunday, September 25, 2016](#)

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 4	7:30am Rite I	9:00 Enriching with Music	11:00 Rite II
Lectors	Pam Holt	Tracy Simpson	Jay Ruud Stacey Jones
Greeters		Deana Weindorf Erin Weindorf	Nancy Thompson Claire Losardo
Ushers		Walker and Tracy Simpson	Ted Warriner Leigh Ann Warriner
Oblationers		Melissa Felty	Nancy Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Nathan Greer	Paul McCowan EM1 Nita Brown EM2	Jerusalem Greer EM1 Jay Ruud EM2
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)			Catherine Fortney Cody Blackmon
Vestry Counters			Jay Ruud Dan Allen
Acolytes		AM: Wylie Greer C: Wade Simpson	AM: C: Christopher Walters T1: Veronica Makepeace T2: Wylie Greer
Altar Guild			Team 1