



The Labyrinth Walk Thursday, January 5, 2017

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

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.

Afternoon Bible Study

Monday Noon Bible Study had changed its name and meeting time to Afternoon Bible Study and will meet Monday's at 12:15 pm in the Library.

Servant Leadership School of Conway presents "Saturdays for Centering"

When: From 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on February 11, April 8 and May 13, 2017

Where: Morgan House,

Who: Led by Catherine Crews, a retreat leader from Russellville who is commissioned by Contemplative Outreach

What: During the first Saturday, Catherine will lead us in a reflection on which contemplative practices speak the most to us. As we revisit the study of the enneagram, we realize we are different in the ways we experience God's presence. What are those differences? What do we have in common? We will have time for individual reflection, as well as group discussions. Please join us as we listen for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and possibly choose to make changes in our daily practices.

Cost: There is no registration fee; however, we ask that you speak to or email Caroline Scott, Judy Helm or Rita Mackintosh if you plan to attend. There will be an opportunity to contribute non-perishable items or cash to St. Peter's Food Pantry. Snacks and drinks will be provided; registrants are encouraged to bring a sack lunch if they so wish.

Please put these dates on your calendar and prayerfully consider joining us at one, two, or all three Saturdays.

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St. Peter's Inaugural Lecture Series
Dr. Donna Bowman
Monday, January 16, 2017
Parish Hall

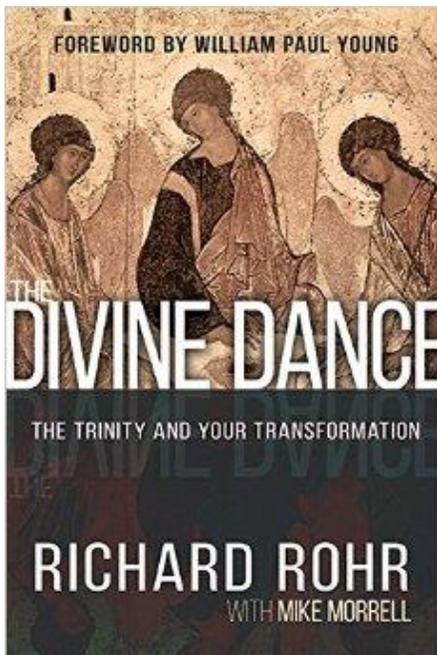
Dr. Donna Bowman will discuss:

**He spoke as One with Authority:
What Jesus Reveals about the Nature of God's Power**

Dr. Bowman states: The Christian church has struggled since the time of Constantine with the notions of power and authority. What relationship do these concepts have to the gospel message? How should Christians treat the "powers that be," the authorities over them? Is God's will done on earth, as it is in heaven, because of an exercise of power? We will discuss the idea of "the uncontrolling love of God." If Jesus is the full revelation of God, what does his birth, life, teaching, death, and resurrection show us about divine power, and how should we apply these lessons to ourselves and our institutions?

Dr. Bowman is Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies in the Norbert O. Schedler Honors College at the University of Central Arkansas.

A Reception honoring Dr. Bowman will follow the lecture.



Wednesday Book Club Lunch
The Divine Dance by Richard Rohr
12:00pm
Library

January 11 pp 35 - 59
(to Local Wisdom)
January 18 pp 59 - 82
January 25 pp 83 - 108
(up to The Many Belong to One)
February 1 pp 108 - 136
(up to What about the Wrath of God?)
February 8 pp 136 - 160
(up to Do we have to talk about Sin?)
February 15 pp 160 - 194

Bible Quest

Start the New Year off with a Bible Study. Bible Quest a Journey through the Christian Scriptures is a discussion of the books of the New Testament. Join the group Monday, January 2, at 12:15 in the Church Library OR Thursday, January 5, 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.

Adult Forum

January 8, 15, 22 and 29 - Donna Bowman leading us in the following topic:
WHAT'S YOUR HERESY? 5 Popular Christian Notions That Orthodoxy Condemns

In the wake of the Protestant Reformation, Catholic Inquisitors were stunned to discover that heterodox beliefs -- incorrect doctrine -- were rampant in the ordinary worshippers they examined. But given the popularity of those same heresies today, among worshippers who likewise have no idea they are dissenting from official teaching, we can see the appeal of common-sense beliefs about God, Jesus, salvation, ritual, and human destiny. In this series we'll look at five popular ways of thinking today that would have gotten you tortured in the Inquisition, but we won't judge! Instead our aim is to discover why people find the orthodox versions difficult to understand and substitute their own interpretations, and to empower you to decide whether your personal heresies are worth owning and embracing.

Wednesday Noon Book Study

Book Study will start on January 4, 2017. We will read Richard Rohr's *The Divine Dance*. Bring your lunch and read the Introduction and Forward to discuss.

New Circle of Trust

You are invited to join a new Circle of Trust starting January 2017

A Circle of Trust is a community of friends who, through a process of shared exploration, learn a loving, respectful alternative to everyday pressures. CoT is an opportunity to nurture new ways of communicating while engaging in personal and social transformation. Parker Palmer's book "*A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life*" will be our starting point.

If you are interested in CoT, please attend our first meeting on Tuesday, January 17 at 6:50 p.m. in the Morgan House. If you have questions, contact any member of the Servant Leadership School or the church office.

Sponsored by the Servant Leadership School.

Mark Your Calendar

January 16, Monday, at 7 pm will be the first of the quarterly St. Peter's Lecture Series. Our own Dr. Donna Bowman will be the first speaker for this endeavor. Donna has selected "*He Spoke as One with Authority: What Jesus Reveals About the Nature of God's Power*."

Dr. Donna Bowman is Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies in the Norbert Schedler Honors College at the University of Central Arkansas.

PARISH LIFE AND COMMUNITY

Milolika Inyutkina

by Jennifer Dementyeva

Milolika Inyutkina was born in Temirtau city (Kazakhstan) on 05.24.2014. Her mother (23 year old at that time) had a healthy pregnancy, and the delivery was not expected to be risky. Right in the process of delivery the mother was told by doctors that the girl had a double loop of cord that could cause hypoxia. Mom had a hard time pushing and the doctors pressed mom's belly to help get the baby out. The girl seemed to be born healthy, but during her first two days of life she could not sleep, did not cry but only moaned. On the third day she had a cerebral hemorrhage.

Since then Milolika has had significant development delays. Her diagnosis is Spastic Tetraparesis because of brain damage that was caused to her during labor.

Today Milolika is 2.5 years old. She cannot sit, walk, or talk. Her father survives on low income, and her mother stays home with Milolika and her 7 months old brother. They have collected about \$1400 with help from people from Kazakhstan and Russia. They also sold their car for \$1000 to make it possible to go to a one month long treatment in a China military hospital (in Urumchi city) in November 2016. This is the second time the girl has been taken to hospital for a month long treatment. Because of her previous treatment she learned to hold her head upright. It is desirable that her next treatment be this Spring while she is still under 3 years old - that is what doctors say can bring greatest results. A month long treatment in hospital costs about \$3000 including travel and living expenses.

If it is possible to somehow help this family in any way - it can be money for the hospital treatment or equipment for Cerebral Palsy children, that will be greatly appreciated by the family.

You can see many details about Milolika and her brother from mom's page on baby forum:

<http://www.baby.ru/u/usr38097/>

If you are interested in any details about Milolika's case, I will be happy to help to translate more posts about that from her mom's page or ask her mom about that again and translate her answers to you.

Jennifer Dementyeva

Art, Pray, Love

Join us for the 9th annual Art Pray Love- Art Show and Auction scheduled for Saturday, January 28, 2017. The event will be from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church at 925 Mitchell Street in Conway. Tickets will go on sale after Christmas and can be purchased from the church office or between services. Ticket prices are \$25 a piece or \$45 per couple before the event and \$30 a piece and \$50 per couple at the door day of the event. There are also discounted children's tickets.

Event Details:

1. Artists will display their works for purchase
2. Silent Auction and wine pull
3. Authentic Guatemalan extravaganza market
4. Food and drink

All proceeds from the event will go to St. Peter's Guatemalan Medical Mission.

Contact Pansy Westrich for questions about the event and contact Marianne Welch for questions about the medical mission.

Altar Flowers 2017

The calendar to reserve your special date for altar flowers in 2017 is available on the lobby bulletin board. Sign up early to get your first choices! Thanks to everyone who donated altar flowers this year. They were beautiful and made our worship services even more special.



Hookers and Knitters Needed!

Do you possess a moderate to keen talent with crochet hooks or knitting needles? Then we need you!

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is looking for new members, patterns and help is provided. If you are interested please contact Pam Holt at tlholt@conwaycorp.net or call the church office.



2017 Women's Winter Interlude III Arkansas ECW Friday, January 6, 2017 at 3:00 PM - Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 4:00 PM Morrilton, AR

Relax and unwind after a busy holiday season.

Please join us for a weekend of fun, prayer and a great program by Rev. Patricia Matthews, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry for Christ Church, Little Rock. She will explore strong women from the Bible and from myth as models of how we can be strong women as we move through all the stages of our life.



There is an opportunity for a book club session led by Susan Carter.
 To register please visit: <http://arkansasecw.org/>
 Please note: there is a fee for online registration and credit card processing.

EYC Programming Schedule

EYC is on break until January 18.
 Family Formation (10am) will be on break from December 25 - January 22.
 These breaks are in large part due to our wonderful teacher's being on Winter Break.
 We will still have childcare on Sunday mornings from 9-12. Thank you!

CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
January 5	January 6	January 7	January 8	January 9
7:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am Tia Chi (PH) 2:00pm SLS Planning (Lib) 6:30pm Girl Scouts 6342 (PH) 7:00pm Bible Study (MH)	9:00am Church Women United (MH) 4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH)	9:00am Food Pantry	7:30am Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:00am Enriching our Worship Holy Eucharist 10:00am Adult Forum Family Formation 11:00am Rite II Holy Eucharist 12:00pm DOK (MH) 7:00pm Quaker Meditation Fellowship (Classroom 4)	10:00am Chi Kung (PH) 11:15am Centering Prayer 12:15pm After-Noon Bible Study (Lib) 2:00pm EfM (Classroom 2) 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (MH)
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 10	January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14
7:00am Morning Prayer 6:00pm Circle of Trust (MH) 6:00pm EfM (Classroom 2)	12:00pm Wednesday Book Club (Lib) 5:30pm The Fledglings Writing Group (Lib) 6:00pm Narcotics Anonymous (MH) 7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Service of Healing	7:00am Morning Prayer 10:00am Tai Chi (PH) 2:00pm Enneagram (Lib) 6:30pm	4:00pm Conway Locally Grown (PH)	9:00am Food Pantry 12:00pm Parish Hall 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.

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

January 6 is always Epiphany--the day that the revelation of God in Christ is made to the magi, to the gentiles, and then to everyone. Joseph, Mary, and Jesus make their escape to Egypt because Herod is interested in finding the child who is a King. Herod plans to kill because he feels Jesus is a threat to his rule. They played "king of the mountain" then just as we do today. The weapons are a bit stronger now than then and a bit wider ranging and certainly more anonymous. So even in a moment of revelation and of joy there is the threat of violence and loss as we face the darkness. -Ann Drake

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Discretionary Fund

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

SUNDAY SERVICE AND LITURGICAL INFORMATION

Scripture Readings for Sunday, January 8, 2017 9:00am Service will Read Isaiah and lead the Psalm.

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,

a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Prayers of the People

Prayers and Petitions:

Chandler; Nikki; Jen and Chris; Thomas, Paige, Mason; Olivia, Austin, Karlie; Trent; Shannon; Anisa; Kevin (healing); Susannah (safe travels); The Stengels (safe travels); Teri; Nancy; Bill; Brett; Tommy; Curtis; Karl; Liz; Madison; Angie.

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 Jeanie Vanderbeek; John, Stephanie, Will and Jackson Vanderslice;

Deloris Wade; Dale and Sylvia Walker; Tripp, Kim and Thomas Walter; Chris, Elizabeth, Christopher and Lauryn Walters; Jeffrey, Kristina, Madolyn and Charlotte Ward.

We give thanks for The Church of Christ at Prince Street.

We give thanks for The Ecumenical Buddhist Society of Little Rock..

We give thanks for our Eucharistic Ministers.

We give thanks for Rev. Tomas Calel and the Holy Cross of Mt. Calvary in Balanya.

We give thanks for Kolhapur - (North India) The Rt Revd Bathuel Tiwade.

We give thanks for the The Rev. Jarrett Kerbel, Rector, at St. Martin in the Fields, Philadelphia.

The Departed:

John Schenck; Anne Fulk

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Team 2	7:30am Rite I	9:00am EOW	11:00am Rite II
Lectors	Douglas Young	Donna Bowman	Bev Freiley Chris Odom
Ushers		John Phillips Steve Eddy	Marilyn and David Larson
Oblationers		David Campbell Kent Balllew	Kelley King Robert Wickser
Greeters	Joe Arn		
Eucharistic Ministers (EM)	Wylie Greer	Linda Brown 1 Steve Eddy 2	Leigh Ann Warriner 1 John Wiltgen 2
Eucharistic Visitors (EV)		Deana Weindorf Tanya Buchanan	
Vestry Counters			Christy Garrett-Jones Jane Harris
Acolytes		AM: Michael Moses CB: Harry Lance	AM: Michael Moses C: Christopher Walters T1: Jack Wirtz T2: Cooper Teague

Altar Guild			Team 1
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