




February 27, 2018

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL EAST END PARISHES
LENTEN PREACHING SERIES

PROCLAIMING CHRIST:
not only with our lips but in our lives



6 P.M. Dinner ■ 7 P.M. Holy Eucharist and Sermon

Tuesday, February 27
Preacher: The Rev. Sara Irwin
at Calvary – 315 Shady Ave. at Walnut St., East Liberty

Tuesday, March 6
Preacher: The Rev. Noah Evans
at St. Thomas – 378 Delaware Ave., Oakmont

Tuesday, March 13
Preacher: The Rev. Shawn Malarkey
at St. Stephen's – 600 Pitt St., Wilkinsburg

Tuesday, March 20
Preacher: The Rev. Doug Kinsey
at Church of the Redeemer – 5700 Forbes Ave., Sq. Hill



Service of 12-Step Faith and Recovery

On March 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., the Church of the Advent, Brookline, will hold a service of 12-Step Faith And Recovery.

The Church of the Advent hosts three 12-step groups every week and has hosted such groups for over 50 years.

The service of Faith and Recovery is built on top of the 12-step program and will include the Holy Eucharist.

ALL are welcome. The service is directed toward all of those involved in the recovery process, including every one they love and everyone who loves them.

The Episcopal Church has, since the founding of the 12-step programs in 1935, been a strong advocate, collaborator and supporter of Alcoholics Anonymous. The Rev. Sam Shoemaker, an Episcopal priest who served in Pittsburgh, was deeply involved from the very outset.



The 12-step program finds its roots in the Christian scriptures and especially the Beatitudes. (Matthew 5:3-11).

The Church of the Advent is located in the Brookline neighborhood at 3010 Pioneer Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226



Lenten Learning Day 2018

Saturday, March 3 St. James, Penn Hills

Bishop Dorsey McConnell has expressed the mission of the Church in three words:

LOVE.
TEACH.
HEAL.

What does this mean for ourselves and for our parishes? What does it look like? And how do we do it?

Join us as Bishop McConnell and others unpack the meaning of the mission.



Our special guest for the day will be the Reverend Scott Gunn, Executive Director of Forward Movement, a publishing ministry of The Episcopal Church.

This is a free event, open to all clergy and laypeople.
Lunch is provided, and child care will be available.
(Please indicate child care needs when registering.)

Check-in and refreshments will be available beginning at 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer will start at 9 a.m.

The day will end with Holy Eucharist led by Bishop McConnell at 3:30 p.m.

Register today at www.episcopalpgh.org/lent2018



Episcopal Workday at the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

Again this year the Social Justice and Outreach Committee is sponsoring a repack session at the Food Bank during Lent.



Come join fellow Episcopalians from across the diocese at our volunteer workday at the [Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank](#). We'll be working in the Repack Center at GPCFB's main Duquesne warehouse facility at 1 North Linden St, Duquesne, PA 15110, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 24.



Serving as a central distribution center for over 350 local food pantries across 11 counties in southwestern Pennsylvania, GPCFB's operations are efficient, economical and truly impressive. We'll assist the GPCFB repack team by sorting and repacking groceries. The exact project will depend on their inventory at the time. In the past we've had very rewarding experiences repacking food ranging from cereals to oranges. The Food Bank is always well organized and makes excellent use of our volunteer time.

To reserve your volunteer slot contact Jerry Stephenson at JJmestephenson@verizon.net by Monday, March 19 at the latest. We'll need your

name, email/phone and parish affiliation for the roster sheet. Volunteers must be at least 12 years of age and be able to stand for 2 or more consecutive hours. We are limited to 30 volunteers. Volunteer spaces will be reserved on a first-come first-served basis.



Join us at

Trinity Cathedral in downtown Pittsburgh for a

Lunchtime Lenten Gathering: "Living for Christ"

And Explore the Lives of:

St. Patrick of Ireland

St. Augustine of Canterbury

Thomas Cranmer of Canterbury

Charles Simeon of Cambridge

Wednesdays through Lent at 12:10-12:50 P.M.

Bring a Lunch and a Friend!



ECW Spring 2018 Grant Applications Due April 5

The Diocese of Pittsburgh's Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will be making outreach grants in the spring.

The ECW particularly seeks to support hands-on-ministries that help children, adults and families in need of assistance with food, nutrition, health care, housing, education and counseling.

The grants are primarily designed for ministries within the diocese and with the goal of even distribution across all districts. It is hoped that these small grants will enable the continuation of existing ministries on the local level. However, the ECW will continue its policy of also awarding grants to some national and international ministries such as Episcopal Relief & Development.

[Click here for the grant application and submission instructions.](#) Applications for the Spring 2018 Grants must be submitted before April 5, 2018.



St. Brendan's Speaker Series Presents:

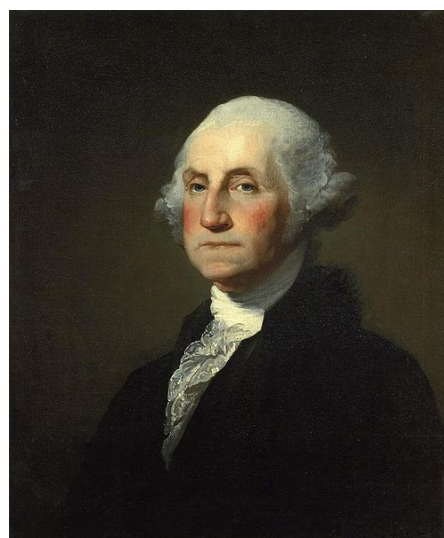
"GEORGE WASHINGTON FLOPPED HERE..."

Len Barcousky

Journalist, Historian, and Author
April 8 at 7 p.m.

Complimentary refreshments beginning at 6 p.m.

\$12 Adult (\$10 phone reserved) \$5 Student
412-364-5974



[St. Brendan's Episcopal Church](#), 2365 McAleer Road,
Sewickley/Franklin Park, PA 15143



2018 Renewal of Vows and Blessing of Oils

**A combined observance of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh
and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA**

**Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.
Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
328 Sixth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222**



The Rt. Rev. Dorsey W. M. McConnell, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, Presiding

The Rev. Kurt F. Kusserow, Bishop of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA, Preaching

Clergy members are invited to vest (red) and process.

Luncheon will follow the service. Suggested donation is \$10 at the door.
Requested oils will be available following the service.

[Please register here](#) by Monday, March 19, 2018. You may also register by contacting Judi Rogers at



A Celebration Concert:

Bach's

333rd Birthday

Sunday, March 25, 2018 • 3:00 pm

featuring:

Brandenburg Concerto, Nr 4
violin, recorder and strings

Cantata 106
Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit
in memory of John Goldsmith

Don Franklin, conductor

Reception to Follow
Donation

Church of the Redeemer
(Squirrel Hill)
5700 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15217

SOLOISTS: ANDREW FOUTS, VIOLIN • MICHAEL LYNN, RECORDER • ANN LABOUNSKY, ORGAN
SCOTT PAULEY, LUTE • KATHRYN COPELAND DONALDSON, SOPRANO



2017 Parochial Reports Due March 1

Parishes are reminded that Parochial Reports for the year 2017 are due by March 1, 2018. Reports can be filed through the Episcopal Church's online reporting system, or completed paper copies can be mailed to the diocesan office. For those who file electronically, a signed paper copy should also be submitted to the diocesan office.



Once filed, all parochial reports must be reviewed and certified by the diocese. This year, because of General Convention, the deadline for diocesan review is much earlier than usual and must be completed by May 1st. It is therefore especially important for parishes to make sure their filing deadline of March 1st is met.

It is the joint responsibility of clergy and vestry to assure the timely completion of parochial reports. A blank report form as well as instructions and detailed workbooks for help in filing each page of the report are available online at www.episcopalchurch.org/posts/research/parochial-report



Around the Diocese

Bishop McConnell's Visitation Schedule:

March 4: St. David's, Peters Twp.

March 11: St. Thomas, Canonsburg

March 18: Redeemer, Squirrel Hill

March 25: St. Brendan's, Franklin Park



Parish leadership is reminded to complete and submit [this form](#) at least two weeks in advance of their visitation.

Hold the Date: A commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination will be held at Trinity Cathedral starting at 6 p.m. on April 4, 2018. Details to come.

Correction: The Rev. Torrey O. Johnson, a rostered leader of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, has been called to serve as Priest-in-Charge of the Church of the Holy Cross, Homewood. An installation service is being planned. Details to come.



The next *Grace Happens* is scheduled for March 13.

All submissions to the *Grace Happens* newsletter and the diocesan web site are welcome and should be sent to info@episcopalpgh.org. When possible, the copy should be in a Word document and all original logos, pictures and artwork should be attached separately. Please be sure to include your contact information with any submission.

