



April 17, 2018

Rededication of Trinity Cathedral's Bells

Join Bishop McConnell as he blesses and rededicates the bells of Trinity Cathedral in a brief service of music, prayers, and bell ringing on Wednesday, May 2nd at 12:30 p.m. The bells in the cathedral tower were recently refurbished through a gift from a generous donor who wishes to remain anonymous.

"By blessing the bells we, in essence, also rededicate the cathedral to the city it serves," said the bishop. As a public sign of this commitment, the blessing will be held in front of the cathedral along Sixth Avenue. Pastors of the four other downtown churches will join the bishop in witness to our common mission.

The service will also feature Trinity's mysterious "lost" bell, an instrument recently discovered deep in the cathedral's basement, where it appears to have been crated for a century or more. Cathedral staff are looking into how and why it was originally acquired and its potential future use.



Episcopalians are talking.

Some important conversations are happening in our diocese during the *Church without Walls* groups and in book groups on *Waking Up White*. Here's your opportunity to take the talk to a deeper level

and go one step further...

**Seeing the Face of God in Each Other:
The Anti-Racism Training of the Episcopal Church**
Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, 2018
at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Highland Park
5801 Hampton Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206
There is no cost for this workshop

[Click Here to Register Now](#)

Questions? Click the registration link above or contact the Rev. Nancy Chalfant-Walker
at 412-243-6100 or ststephenswilk@verizon.net



Bishop McConnell and Commission on Ministry Announce 2018 Ministry Exploration Day

Anyone interested in pursuing lay or ordained leadership is encouraged to attend Ministry Exploration Day on **Saturday, April 21 at Calvary Episcopal Church** in East Liberty. This is the annual opportunity to learn about our vision for ministry in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, to understand the discernment and ordination process for those called to ordained ministry, and to explore the option of lay ministry.



Individuals are encouraged to attend with their rector and spouse or significant other. This is an opportunity to meet Bishop McConnell and members of the Commission on Ministry and to learn more about lay leadership or service as deacon or priest.

Ministry Exploration Day starts at 9:30 a.m. and ends by 1 p.m. Calvary Episcopal Church is located at 315 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206.

Please register for this event by [clicking here](#).

If you have any questions about the event or our discernment and ordination process, please contact the Rev. Kris Opat, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, at revkrisopat@gmail.com.



Celebrating The Rev. Canon Richard Davies on his Retirement from Old St. Luke's

The Rev. Canon Richard W, Davies has retired after many, many years overseeing the ministry of Old St. Luke's.

A reception in his honor will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. All are invited, please come and celebrate.

April 22, 2018, 2 p.m.
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mt. Lebanon
1066 Washington Road, Mt. Lebanon, PA 15228

www.stpaulspgh.org

412-531-7153



ECW Spring 2018 Scholarships Available



The ECW established the Memorial Membership Fund to aid students with educational grants. The fund was begun in 1927 to be used for two missionary training scholarships. In the 91 years of its existence, the scope of the fund has widened to include nursing, theology and other humanitarian fields of study.

Funds are raised through gifts from individuals or groups in memory of a loved one or friend. This money is invested and the interest used for the granting purposes.

Each applicant must:

- be an Episcopalian in good standing (active) in a parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh,
- have completed one year of college or the equivalent,
- be pursuing education in either church or humanitarian related fields,
- submit an application, including a letter stating goals and need, and
- submit a reference letter from their parish priest.

The Memorial Membership Committee will consider each request based on individual need and circumstances. Scholarships are completely unencumbered and may be used as needed to aid the recipient in achieving their educational goals. Each eligible applicant is able to apply once a year for three years.

The applications must be received by Wednesday, April 25, 2018. The application form with submission instructions is available [by clicking here](#).

For additional information please contact Betty Duckstein at ducksteine@yahoo.com.



Nurturing Discipleship: Notes from the PrayWorshipServe Retreat

In late February, Darrell Johnson of St. Brendan's, Franklin Park, and Jennie Geisler of St. Peter's, Brentwood, attended the PrayWorshipServe Retreat: A Lenten Retreat for Lay Leaders and Clergy. The retreat was offered by the Rev. Christopher Martin and hosted by his parish, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in San Rafael, California.



Father Martin visited our diocese twice in 2016, including at our annual convention, to discuss a model for small discipleship groups that he has developed based on Saint Benedict's Twelve Steps of Humility. Martin introduces this model on his website therestorationproject.net.

Following Father Martin's visits to Pittsburgh, Darrell formed a discipleship group at St. Brendan's, and Jennie collaborated with Canon for Mission Kim Karashin to launch a group at St. Peter's. Today, St. Brendan's group is going strong, and participation at St. Peter's has grown to two groups.

The purpose of February's retreat was to guide participants in starting, nurturing, and growing discipleship groups. Darrell and Jennie found the retreat to be a wonderful source of information and encouragement. Darrell recorded his retreat experience and insights in a blog post for St. Brendan's website: [Learning, Sharing, Prayer, and Worship at the Discipleship Group Retreat](#).

If you are interested in starting a discipleship group in your parish or community and would like to learn more, contact Canon Kim at kkarashin@episcopalpgh.org.

A note about St. Brendan's Blog:

[St. Brendan's Blog](#) is a great example of how a parish can use its website to tell its story, inform and educate its members, and reach others in the community. "Blogmaster" Annemarie Malbon

explains, "The goal of this blog is to share St. Brendan's stories and the good works God is doing at St. Brendan's with current and potential members. The hope is that this blog will give newcomers a more personal glimpse into life at St. Brendan's, create digitally shareable content and increase St. Brendan's digital presence, and make St. Brendan's a more active part of members' (digital) lives throughout the week." To learn more about the purpose and strategy behind St. Brendan's Blog, see the August 8, 2017, post, [Sailing with St. Brendan's](#).



Dame Rose Macaulay (1881-1958):

Anglican Apologist

Presented By:

The Revd. Canon Dr. Judith Maltby



"Take my camel, dear," said my aunt Dot, as she climbed down from this animal on her return from High Mass.' This may be the most famous opening sentence in twentieth-century Anglophone fiction, from the great Anglican novel *The Towers of Trebizond* (1956).

The book has been called 'Anglican Propaganda'. But is it? And was its author, Rose Macaulay, 'an Anglican apologist'?



The Revd. Canon Dr. Judith Maltby is Reader in Church History, University of Oxford, Faculty of History, and Faculty of Theology and Religion

Sponsored by:
The Ryan Endowed Chair
and the Departments of
Theology, English, and Women's and Gender Studies

19 April, 4:30-5:30
Fisher Hall, Room 619
Duquesne University



**The Historic Church of the Holy Cross
And
The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh**

**Cordially Invite You to A Service of Institution
For**

The Reverend Torrey O. Johnson
As Priest-In-Charge

**On Sunday, April 22
Two Thousand and Eighteen
At 3:00 p.m.**

**The Historic Church of the Holy Cross
7507 Kelly Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208**

**Reception Following Service
RSVP by April 15, 2018
412-242-3209
412-243-3269
staff@historichcpa.org**



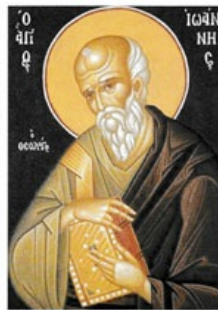
the gospel of **JOHN**

**Please join us for a Lecture series hosted
by St. Andrew's Priest Associate,
the Rev. Dr. Philip Wainwright**

**Seeing God's Glory in the Gospel
of St. John**

**April 22nd,
at 4:30 pm in
Brooks Hall.**

**This series will
continue on
April 29 & May 6.**



St Andrew's Episcopal Church
5801 Hampton Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206





Inviting ALL
Men and Women,
Younger and Older,
and
All the In-betweens!



United Thank Offering
Spring Ingathering

Saturday, May 5, 2018

Christ Episcopal Church, North Hills

5910 Babcock Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Schedule of events:

- 9:30 Welcome – Coffee and Snacks
- 10:00 Registration
- 10:15-10:45 Brief ECW Business Meeting
- 11:00-11:45 Program (See Below)
- Noon-1:00pm Lunch (\$10.00 paid at door)
- 1:00 pm Holy Eucharist – Bishop McConnell Celebrant

Program:



**Mustard
Seed
Project**



Pastor Deo's
Street Ministry

CELEBRATING JESUS CHRIST IN WORD AND DEED

One hundred children, mostly boys between the ages of 6 to 20 are enrolled in the Mustard Seed Street Ministry. Founded in 2006 by Pastor Deogratias Gashagaza, children are invited to the Prison Fellowship Offices three days per week where they are able to enjoy a nutritious meal, shower and wash their clothes, participate in a Bible study and enjoy fellowship.

Our guest speakers, Deacon Christine McIlvain and Joyce Wingett, will present a heartwarming program on how the Mustard Seed Project is sharing the love of Jesus Christ to the street children of Kigali, Rwanda.

Three Ways to Register:

- Visit www.episcopalpgh.org/uto
- Email your information to hetzlerb@verizon.net
- Call Christ Church 412-364-2442

Registration Deadline: April 25, 2018



What Changes or Reforms Do You Wish the Episcopal Church Would Embrace?

Should the *Book of Common Prayer* be changed, updated, revised, or scrapped? Should the Church embrace stronger positions with respect to the environment, social justice, racial reconciliation, public safety, or economic inequality? Should the Church do more in evangelism, mission development, outreach, and spiritual growth? Every three years the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, the governing body of the Church, gathers to debate these and other issues. Do you have strong views on these and other issues?



In an event sponsored by Diocesan Council, on **Saturday, May 19, at 10 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1066 Washington Road, Mt. Lebanon, PA**, Bishop McConnell and members of this Diocese's deputation to General Convention this July in Austin, Texas, will hold an open forum to share views on these and other issues facing The Episcopal Church.

This forum is open to all. If you can, please let us know that you are coming so we can have refreshments available. Please RSVP by [clicking here](#).



EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL PITTSBURGH PASTORAL CARE CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018 8 AM to 4 PM
CHRIST CHURCH AT GROVE FARM
249 DUFF ROAD, SEWICKLEY, PA 15143

WELCOMING ALL: PASTORS, LAITY, COUNSELORS,
NURSES, SOCIAL WORKERS, CAREGIVERS, PHYSICIANS,
STUDENTS, THERAPISTS, VOLUNTEERS



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: BISHOP CYNTHIA MOORE-KOIKOI
WESTERN PA CONFERENCE,
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"CAN'T WE ALL JUST GET ALONG"
THE ROLE OF THE FAITH COMMUNITY AND PASTORAL CARE
PROVIDERS IN HEALING THE WOUNDS OF DIVISION
IN OUR CULTURE.

FIVE TRACKS, THREE SESSIONS:
ADDICTION & RECOVERY
MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS
FAMILY & MARRIAGE
COMMUNITY OUTREACH
REFLECTIONS IN MINISTRY
CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS AVAILABLE

FULL AGENDA AND REGISTRATION AT
WWW.PGHPC.ORG



Around the Diocese

Bishop McConnell's Visitation Schedule:

April 22: St. Peter's, Brentwood

May 6: St. Thomas, Oakmont

May 13: St. Andrew's, Highland Park

May 20: Christ Church, North Hills

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



Save the Date: Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses Spring Luncheon - Wednesday, May 30,
12:00 Noon, Church of the Redeemer, Squirrel Hill



Parting Shots

Members of the diocese participated in an Episcopal Repack Workday at the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank on March 24, 2018. Parishioners from Calvary, East Liberty, Christ Church, North Hills, Holy Cross, Homewood, St Brendan's, Franklin Park, and St Paul's, Mt. Lebanon, repacked Ninja Turtle macaroni.



The next Grace Happens is scheduled for April 17.

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.

