



July 19, 2023

The 158th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

Please join us for the 2023 Diocesan Convention which will be held on Saturday, November 11 at Trinity Cathedral from 7:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided for all in attendance. Registration details will be available soon.



The work of convention is integral to the health of the diocese. We appreciate clergy and lay deputies of each parish giving their time to make decisions that will contribute to the well-being of the diocese.

In addition to the work of convention, spiritual formation is also something we treasure. This year we will be holding a formation day separate from the Diocesan Convention. This will occur in late April/early May 2024. Details on the formation day will be announced at a later date.



Diocesan Transitions

New Calls

The Rev. Marjorie Bevans has accepted the call to be the next Rector at St. Michael's of the Valley in Ligonier, starting on August 1. She most recently served as the Rector at Church of the Good Shepherd in Parkersburg, WV.

The Rev. Deacon Cynthia Gainer, who was ordained to the Vocational Diaconate on Saturday, June 3, has been assigned by Bishop Ketlen to serve as the regular supply clergy at St. Bartholomew's in Scottdale, as well as serving regularly at Church of the Advent, Jeannette, and All Souls, North Versailles.

The Rev. Deacon Jim Miorelli, a new Transitional Deacon, has been assigned as Pastor-in-Charge at St. Thomas, Canonsburg, starting on August 1.

Deaths

The Rev. Mary Weatherwax died Friday afternoon, July 7, in hospice care at her home in Friendship Village in Upper St. Clair. Mary+ was a former Assistant Rector at St. Paul's, Mt. Lebanon, and previously served at Episcopal parishes in Salem and Bridgeport, WV. A Memorial Service will be held at St. Paul's on Friday, August 4, at 11 a.m.

The Reverend Marjorie McCarty died on Tuesday, July 11. She served at parishes in Havelock, NC and Gloucester, VA, prior to her retirement to the Pittsburgh area in 2008. She was a member of Christ Church, North Hills. A Memorial Service was held at Christ Church on July 15.

Completed Calls

The Rev. Canon Natalie Hall has ended her ministry as Canon for Evangelism & Faith Formation. Natalie+ will continue to serve as the full-time Rector of the Church of the Redeemer in Squirrel Hill.

Retirement

The Rev. Canon Dr. Cathy Brall is retiring from St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Canonsburg. Her final service will be on Sunday, July 30. Canon Cathy+ is also retiring from her diocesan role as Coordinator for the Episcopal/Anglican Concentration and House of Study at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Appointments

Bruce Quayle of Christ Church, North Hills, has been appointed as the representative from District 1 to Diocesan Council, filling a vacancy that expires at the end of 2023.

Louise Mead of St. Mark's, Johnstown, has been appointed as the representative from District 4 to Diocesan Council, filling a vacancy that expires at the end of 2024.

On May 31, **the Rev. Deacon Linda Tardy Wilson** was appointed to a three-year term on the Commission on Ministry.

Changes to Diocesan Staff

Andrea Rath has been hired as the Executive Assistant to support the Bishop, Bishop's Office, and diocesan committees. Andrea comes to the staff with valuable prior experience and is a member of St. Paul's, Mt. Lebanon. Andrea starts the job on August 1. As Andrea is trained in her role, **Andy Muhl** will shed the Executive Assistant duties that he has held since 2019 and assume the role of Director of Communication & Technology.



Notice of Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Episcopal Church Women of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

Please plan to attend the meeting of the Episcopal Church Women of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 2023, starting at 12 Noon. The meeting will be held online via Zoom.



All women in the parishes of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh are considered to be members of ECW by virtue of their membership in the parish.

The main item of business will be to consider and vote upon the adoption of the Amended and Restated Constitution and Bylaws for the organization, [available here](#).

The Amended and Restated Constitution and Bylaws have been prepared by Diocesan Chancellor, Andy Roman, and have the full support of the current leadership of the ECW, as well as Bishop Ketlen Solak and many others who have reviewed them.


The historic purpose of the ECW was to create opportunities for women members of the parishes in the Diocese to participate more actively in the work and mission of the Church. Over time, the need for such opportunities has changed, as the roles of women in the overall life of the Church have grown and multiplied. Yet, during its existence, many sought to perpetuate the goals of the ECW by making financial gifts or creating endowments that to this day provide annual income that can be distributed at the direction of the ECW board.

Under the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws, the members of the ECW's Executive Board will be appointed by Diocesan Council and the Board of Trustees. The Executive Board's main responsibility will be to ensure that the ECW continues to make grants of the annual income from endowments and gifts donated to the ECW. ECW will continue to have a President and a Treasurer who will initially be

appointed by Diocesan Council with the advice and consent of the Bishop, but who may thereafter be elected by the members of the organization.

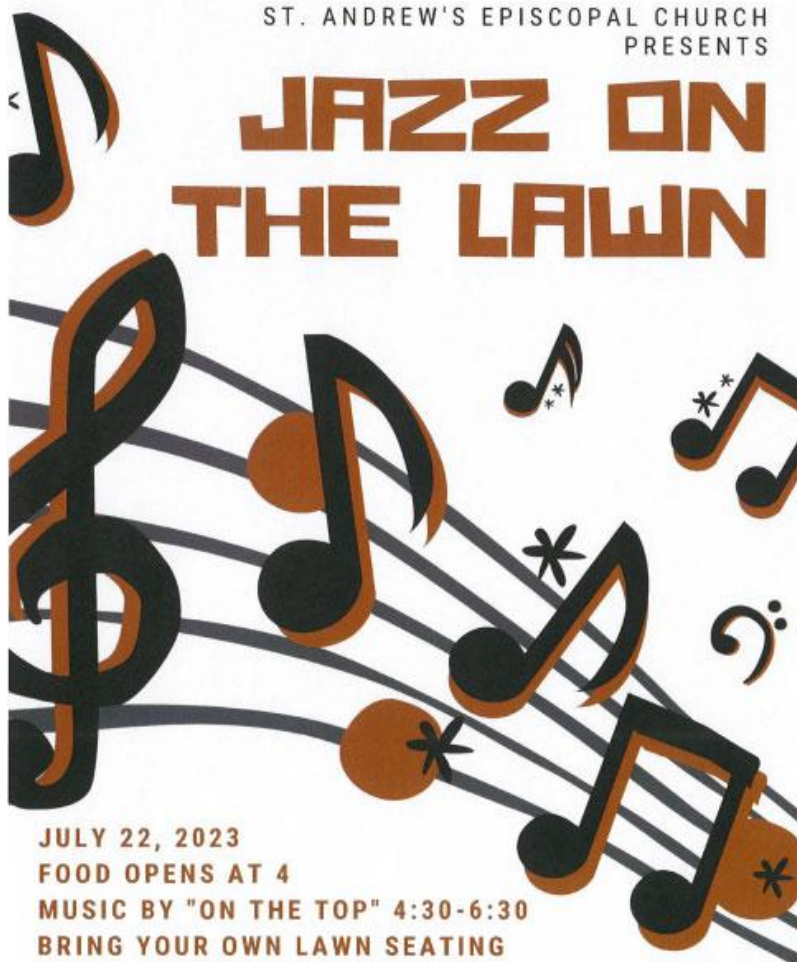
Anyone wishing to serve on the Executive Board or in any other role under the reorganized ECW is encouraged to contact Ann McStay at annmcstay@gmail.com.

The August 19 Zoom meeting can be joined here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82039640573?pwd=UINUMy9aQmJPWFVvSHBHWVJmFudz09>




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[St. Andrew's Episcopal Church](#), 5801 Hampton St., Pittsburgh, PA 15206




Ethiopian Americans Build a Home Away From Home in Pittsburgh

Saturday gatherings at Calvary Episcopal Church help local Ethiopians sustain communal ties.

It's 8:30 on Saturday morning, and a close-knit group of Ethiopians are gathering in the refectory, a small hall in Shadyside's Calvary Episcopal Church. Members of the local Ethiopian community have been welcomed into this longstanding church for the past two years.



Read the rest of this exceptional story on *Black Pittsburgh* at <https://blackpittsburgh.com/ethiopian-americans-build-a-home-away->



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thru
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5 – 7 PM


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Old St. Luke's and Mayflower Society to Commemorate Historical Gravesite

Volunteers at [Old St. Luke's Church](#) recently made a new discovery within its 18th century grounds.

The Scott Township burial yard is filled with prominent early settlers -- many of whom played leading roles in the region's formative struggles. But one particular grave marks the life of a Revolutionary War veteran who also served in the French and Indian War while claiming direct lineage from the 1620 Mayflower voyage that supplied the continent's first permanent European settlers.



Keith Kammenzind, a Mayflower descendant and amateur genealogist who earlier this year discovered the grave of Daniel South at Old St. Luke's, stresses this is an unusual find.

"This is a pretty unique set of circumstances for somebody to be a veteran of those two wars, and also be directly descended from the Mayflower," says Keith Kammenzind, western colony governor for the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Kammenzind grew up in nearby Green Tree, and recalls childhood trips to the church grounds with his historically-attuned parents. Only during a recent trip, though, did he dig into the lives of those buried here and discover South's unique historical standing.

"If it were left up to us at old St. Luke's, we never would have heard about this," says board member Bob Carlson. "We are truly grateful to the work and support of Keith and the Mayflower Society."

Old St. Luke's was founded in 1765 in the immediate aftermath of the French and Indian War and held regular services for the South Hills community through the 1930s. After decades of neglect, a group of volunteers formed a non-profit entity to preserve the building, grounds and history for future generations.

"Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation played a major role in guiding the early plans of the saviours of Old St. Luke's," says Mary Lu Denny, Director of Membership Services of the foundation. "Jamie Van Trump and Arthur Ziegler, co-founders of Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation, along with Vinnie Ziegler, Arthur's mother, recognized the significance of Old St. Luke's and the burial ground. They worked with church committees to formulate, raise funds for, and complete projects in the 1960s, 70s and 80s. Landmarks remains committed to Old St. Luke's Church and Burial Grounds to this day."

The board, in conjunction with the Mayflower Society, is planning two days of activities in mid-September to commemorate Daniel South's grave and promote the region's rich history. South's weather-beaten grave stone will be replaced with a new hand-sculpted granite marker that will include the Mayflower insignia.

Carlson says commemorating South's grave falls right in line with the original intentions of Old St. Luke's foundation and committees. "Our mission is to perpetuate and expand interest in the amazing history of Western Pennsylvania and the long reach of the immigrants and other people who moved westward from such places as the Mayflower passengers' first landings in Massachusetts."

For schedule of events and details please go to the [Mayflower Society's website](#). Additional details will be released soon.



Around the Diocese



Bishop Ketlen's Visitation Schedule:

Parish visitations are on hiatus during the Summer. Bishop Ketlen's visitation schedule is [available here](#).

Bishop Ketlen will be celebrating Sunday morning services at Trinity Cathedral on July 30.

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

To schedule time with Bishop Ketlen, contact her virtual assistant, Crystal Goforth, at 412-721-0853, ext. 256, or via email at assistant@episcopalpg.org.

The full church year **Cycle of Prayer** is now [available here](#) and Bishop Ketlen's full church year **Visitation Schedule** is [available here](#).



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