

### Christian Formation Class Offerings (Sundays, 10:00 am):

#### Bible 101: An Episcopal Journey Through Holy Scripture

Each week we will look at the ancient biblical writings to better understand how and why they were written and what they mean for us today. The objective is for you to have a better perception of each book as we will summarize the text for a more coherent picture of scripture. Facilitated by Rev. Rusty McCown and Jean Larson.

#### Christian Responsibility in a Changing World

This is an adult formation class facilitated by clergy, parishioners, and guest speakers to discuss issues relevant to contemporary life, and to wrestle with our Christian response to those issues. Facilitated by Sharmila Patel, Rev. Ann Van Dervoort, Rev. Charlie Palmgren, and others.

At least 95 percent of people incarcerated in state prisons will be released back to their communities. In Christian Responsibility in a Changing World, we will spend the next two Sundays learning about reentry, barriers that impact success, and life after incarceration; together, we will discuss the issues in relationship to our responsibilities as Christians.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lead Organizer/Speaker and Topic</u>
February 3	Molly McIntosh, Offender Services Coordinator
February 10	Gary Jordan and John Holbert

#### Christian Formation for Children

We welcome children for Christian Formation on Sundays at 10 am. All of the classrooms are located on the right side of the hallway as you move toward Otey Hall. There are three classes: Preschool (ages 3-5), K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. The nursery is available for children under 3. Please see the schedule below for special dates:

- January 27<sup>th</sup>-Annual Meeting-All classes will meet together in Barnabas.
- February 3-Women's Retreat-Most of our teachers will be on the Mountain for the Retreat, so all classes will meet together for Arts and Crafts time in the K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom.
- February 17-President's Day Weekend-All classes will meet together for Arts and Crafts in the K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom



**TODAY – February 3, 2018**

Holy Eucharist at 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am and 6:00 pm

#### Christian Formation Programs – Sunday Schedule

**10:00 am**

**(See back of insert for class descriptions.)**

*Bible 101* – Meets in Antioch (across from Otey)

*Christian Responsibility in A Changing World* – Otey Hall

*Children's Christian Formation* classes - all will meet in the K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade Classroom to make Valentines for our neighbors at NHC Healthcare, Franklin. See you there!

**5:00 pm**

*Youth Sunday School* – Barnabas

#### **Seekers Class 2019**

**Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am in Barnabas**

Our annual “Seekers” Class will begin soon. This is traditionally a class given for those who wish to join the church through Confirmation or Reception. However, please know that all are welcome, especially current congregants of St. Paul's who would like a refresher course. We will look at church subjects such as worship, church history, and Episcopal theology. The class will be held during our Christian Education hour at 10:00. We will meet in the Barnabas Hall, the building directly behind the church on Fair St. The course will last six weeks, ending before our annual visit from the diocesan bishop. If you have any questions please contact Rusty via [email: rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com) or by phone 615-790-0527.

#### **The Coffee Club**

**6:45 am – 7:45 am, Barnabas**

Come join the men's bible study every Wednesday morning. Please contact Rev. Rusty McCown with any questions at [rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com).

#### **Tuesday Morning Lectionary Class**

**Every Tuesday, 10:30-11:30 am in Damascus**

Searching for a better understanding of the readings you hear each Sunday? Every Tuesday morning, a group gathers and studies the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Lively discussion follows. Anyone is welcome to join this jolly crowd!

### **WITS – Women in Theological Study**

**Thursdays, 9:30-11:00 am, in Barnabas**

We are using the book *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans. We meet in Barnabas from 9:30-11:00 am on these Thursdays, Feb 7th, and 14th. Come join us. If you have any questions about WITS, please contact Monna Mayhall at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com) or 615-790-0527.

### **Theology on Thursday**

**Thursdays, Barnabas Center, at 6:30 pm**

On February 7th, Richard Rohr is a Roman Catholic Priest, whom started the “Center for Action and Contemplation” in Albuquerque, N.M. and brings the unique perspective of a 1st Order Franciscan. These talks will be streamed in to the main room at Barnabas with a discussion after the presentation. All are welcome to join! If you have any questions, contact Gerald Hancock at [gwlwhancock@comcast.net](mailto:gwlwhancock@comcast.net) or 615-604-9635.

### **Sit and Stitch – The Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has gradually been expanding its focus, one stitch at a time, and is actually involved in many prayer-filled projects, and not all of them involve knitting or crocheting. So...Witty Knitters is rebranding itself to be **Sit and Stitch**. Here are some of the activities that we are presently working on.

- *Prayer Shawls* – knit or crochet
- *Prayer Scarves* – knit or crochet
- *Moses basket blankets* – knit, crochet or sew (blankets for newborns)
- *Preemie baby hats* – knit or crochet
- *Kangaroo Cuddlers* – sew

**Sit and Stitch** meets in Founder’s Hall from 9:30-11:30 am on the last Thursday of the month, unless otherwise announced. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Jane Muir at [nanadrives@comcast.net](mailto:nanadrives@comcast.net) or 615-566-8465.

### **Serving on Sundays**

St. Paul’s needs you! Want to be more involved in the services at St. Paul’s in 2019? Contact the church office today if you would like to know more! Training is offered upon request and you’re guaranteed a great seat! 615.790.0527

### **St. Paul’s Stephen Ministry**

Stephen Ministers provide spiritual and emotional, one-to-one, man-to-man, woman to woman, care to adults undergoing a wide variety of challenges or difficulties. If a Stephen Minister can care for you by listening, praying and encouraging you during your time of need, please call St. Paul’s Episcopal Church at 615-790-0527 and ask to speak to one of our Priests or Fred Warner or email [SM@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:SM@stpaulsfranklin.com). All conversations are strictly confidential. Additional information about Stephen Ministry is in the pews or in the Narthex.

### **Join the Bicentennial Society**

To celebrate St. Paul’s in the grand fashion that it deserves, the Historic Committee and the Bicentennial Committee have been hard at work preparing for the 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday of St. Paul’s! The Committees want to encourage any members or friends of St. Paul’s who will donate \$1,000 over the next 9 years to be a part of the Bicentennial Society. You can donate this over the next 9 years in custom payments to fit your budget or in a one-time payment. Forms are available in the Narthex. You may also donate on the website using the “Donate” button. Select “Bicentennial Celebration Fund” from the drop-down menu. Also, EVERYONE will be needed! Please let us know what area you would like to be involved. For information please contact: Melanie Lampertz [w.m.lampertz@comcast.net](mailto:w.m.lampertz@comcast.net) or Libby Sullivan [libby@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:libby@stpaulsfranklin.com).

### **Parish Prayer List**

Cleo Cowan, Ginny Harshey, Judy Ladebauche, Susannah Pierce, Roberta Abstein, Marietta Todd, Becky and Muff Farmer, Dave Berexa, Susan Hughes, Sam Austin, Henrietta Hobdy, Denny Wilkening, Alex Wilkerson, Lloyd Griffin, James Dickerson, Ellen More, Ann Conway, Tina Morgan, Natalie Hennes, Jim Gray, Jack Honeycutt, Claire Gaddis, Tom Jordan, Harry Platt, Terry O’Donnell, Laura Turner, Michelle Blackwelder, Ken Stansberry, Colleen Talbot, Gene Brown, Sally Lee, Don and Jean Dicie, Frankie Dorsey, Maggie Gilchrist, Mary Farmer, Tina Carpenter, Randall McFarland, Catherine Mayhew, John Henderson, Dee Smothers, Susan Trailov, and Peggy Macpherson, Michael, Kaleb, Martha, Mike, Linda and Dennis, Daniella, Dee, Don, Linda, Charles, Scott, Alan, Raymond, Fred, Meg, Fred, Nolen, Frank, June, Noah, Mary Reed, Delores, Joanne, Dylan, Helen, Jason, Norman, Floyd, Jeff, Russ, Joe, Emily, Craig, Victor, Mel, Bud, Phil, Ernie, Libby, Mark, Elliott, John, Ferris, Ty, Dean, Chris, Sue, Sarah Ashley, Keith, Brenda, Sheri, John, Jackie and Wayne, Joe and Joanne, Bruce and Pat