## Ongoing Programs and Resources

**Centering Prayer.** A combined St. Paul's/Cary Presbyterian Centering Prayer group meets at Cary Presbyterian Church at 9:00 AM on Fridays. Centering Prayer practitioners sit in silence for 20 minutes with the intention to open their hearts and minds to God. After the Centering time, the group participates in Lectio Divina, book study or discussions of videos for 30-45 minutes. Come and join us! Contact: Martha Waters, Martha.wtrs@gmail.com.

**The Julian Gathering**. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month 9:15 – 10:15 AM for contemplative prayer and the study of Julian of Norwich, a 14<sup>th</sup> century mystic and author of The Revelations of Divine Love, often acknowledged as one of the world's great spiritual classics. Contact: Lanny Wase, <a href="mailto:lannywase@mac.com">lannywase@mac.com</a>, 919-466-9050.

Ministry of Mothers Sharing (MOMS). A seven-week series for women who would like to devote time to their spiritual development, this peerled ministry offers mothers of all ages a place to share the stress, concerns, and positive experiences that have influenced their spiritual growth. St. Paul's offers at least one series of MOMS each year, as well as a session of MOMS TNT (for moms of Teens and 'Tweens.) More information is available: <a href="www.stpaulscary.org/ministries/adult-education/">www.stpaulscary.org/ministries/adult-education/</a>.

**People of All Colors and Cultures Together (PACCT)**. Monthly meetings are held on first Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Youth Wing to discuss race relations and diversity in our community and America. Text Andrea Johnson at 919-348-9599.

**The Women's Study Group.** A group for women who are interested in reading and discussing literature, we alternate reading fiction and nonfiction each month. Many, but not all, of our selections have spiritual/religious themes. Meetings are monthly on the second Tuesday from 12:00 noon to 1:30 PM in the Bride's room. Child care is available on request. Contact Leah Dail: LeahDail@gmail.com.



# Adult Formation Programs

### September – December, 2017

- St. Paul's Episcopal Church is committed to knowing and sharing the Good News of God made known through Christ.
- Our faith community strives to know and share the cornerstones of our Episcopal identity: scripture, tradition and reason.
- Parishioners are encouraged to explore all aspects of faith and to study a variety of issues facing humanity and to ask tough and thought-provoking questions.



#### All are welcome

to join in adult formation programs and events at St. Paul's.

Come to learn, to ask questions, and to develop

community as we journey together.

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT FORMATION

In the Youth Wing – 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

"Embracing Interfaith Cooperation", led by the Rev. George Adamik - Sept 13, 20, 27

Join the Rev. George Adamik as we explore the practice of interfaith dialogue. *Embracing Interfaith Cooperation*, a DVD series, is a timely and contemporary portal for exploring multi-faith dialogue and cooperation in our increasingly diverse culture.

"Living the Way of Jesus", led by Gerri Batchelor & Joe Ryan – Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 & Nov 1

Join long time parishioners Gerri Batchelor and Joe Ryan as we make our way through the Sermon on the Mount: an amazingly thorough distillation of Jesus' teachings. In this five-part program, the Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, and others reflect on the Sermon on the Mount in light of their own faith journeys. Gerri is a dedicated member of the Adult Formation, Kairos, and Senior ministries; Joe is a member of Adult Formation and has helped to collect thousands of pounds of food via the Little Red Wagon.

"Tracts for Our Times", led by The Rev. Javier Almendárez Bautista – Nov. 8 & 15

Join the Rev. Javier Almendárez Bautista as we delve deeper into two core Christian practices: reading Scripture and sharing communion. We will explore these topics with the help of a video series, "Tracts for our Times," which features the Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, and Dr. Ellen Davis, Amos Ragan Kearns Distinguished Professor of Bible and Practical Theology at Duke Divinity School.

Childcare is available for the Wednesday sessions upon request; email Andrea Johnson: jang7e@gmail.com

### ALL ARE WELCOME

We welcome you to join us in a journey of faith and exploration.

### SUNDAY MORNING ADULT FORMATION

In the Chapel 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

Fall Series: What Does It Mean to Be Episcopalian?

Christians are a peculiar people: at once rooted in tradition, and yet just as often expanding over many histories—a movement that has taken root within many languages, peoples, and cultures. What exactly makes us "Christian"? How does that fit into what it means for us to be "Episcopalian"?

Sept 10: Faith Seeking Understanding: Pilgrimage as a Model for Christian Faith - *The Rev. Javier Almendárez Bautista* 

Sept 17: Understanding our Roots: The Holy Land - The Rev. Javier

Almendárez Bautista

Sept 24: The Episcopal Church & the Anglican Communion –

The Rev. George Adamik

Oct 1: Faith & the Creeds - The Rev. George Adamik

Oct 8: The Liturgical Year - The Rev. Javier Almendárez Bautista

Oct 15: Holy Week - The Rev. George Adamik

Oct 22: The Daily Office & Benedictine Spirituality – The Rev. J. Carr

Holland III

Oct 29: Baptism & Eucharist - The Rev. George Adamik

Nov 5: Annual Meeting - No Forum

Nov 12: Marriage - The Rev. J. Carr Holland III

Nov 19: Burial - The Rev. George Adamik

Nov 26: Thanksgiving - No Adult Forum

All Wednesday evening and Sunday morning sessions are free and open to all.

Pre-registration is not required.

Program updates will be shared via the church bulletin, the biweekly e-news.