

Questions or Concerns?

Call Mother Dawson at the parish office 410 486-3016 or send an email to revdawson@comcast.net

Do you have Ideas for more Adult Education Programs?

Join the Education Committee! Call Dennis Shipley at 410 358-2171

New to St. Mark's on the Hill?

Make sure you are on the parish mailing list by contacting Moehesshae Johnson at the office 410 486-3016 or email at stmarksonthehill@verizon.net

*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,
Come and Grow Your Faith
at St. Mark's on the Hill.*

INQUIRER'S CLASS



Sunday Evenings in Lent

February 10th—March 16th

6:00—8:00 PM

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Inquirer's Class

In-quir-er: *noun*, someone who learns by asking questions.

Asking questions is one of the best ways to learn about our faith. Every question we ask has the potential to deepen our faith if we seek God's response in our lives, the scriptures, and the traditions of the church.

Maybe you are new to the church and you want to know more about St. Mark's. Maybe you want to be confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Maybe you have been sitting in the pews for years, but still have questions you want to explore about Christianity and the Episcopal Church. Whatever inspires your questions, come and ask them!

We will meet in the rectory at 6:00 PM for a light meal of soup, bread, and salad. There will be a free-will offering for the meal. We will complete each evening at 8:00 PM with Compline Prayers.

February 10 Opening the Old Testament

It is difficult to know where to begin with the Hebrew Scriptures. They are full of God's desire to be in relationship with humanity. And they are full of the ways that people have turned away from God and returned to receive God's forgiveness. How do we make sense of these rich texts that were written over many centuries?

February 17 Navigating the New Testament

The Christian scriptures tell the story of Jesus' life and the life of the early church. What do these stories have to do with our life 2,000 years later? Are we the next chapter in the Acts of the Apostles? How do we are we transformed by believing in the resurrection?

February 24 Introduction to The Book of Common Prayer

On Sunday mornings we use roughly the same dozen pages in that little red book, but there is a wealth of resources on the other 800 pages. Have you ever wondered who wrote the prayers? Why do we use "common prayer" when we worship? Learn how to use the rest of the Book of Common Prayer in your faith life.

March 2 Praying Shapes Believing: Episcopal Theology

What do Episcopalians believe? We are not a doctrinal church. We are not a confessional church. We are a praying church and our theology is found in our prayers and worship. We will use the prayers and promises for Baptism and Communion to explore and articulate the core beliefs of our faith.

March 9 Episcopal Organization

Who is in charge in the church? What does the Bishop do? What are the roles of priests and deacons? How do lay people lead the church? What happens at conventions? How do decisions get made? The Episcopal church is a community that is neither democratic nor autocratic. We sit in a middle place called "via media". It allows for the movement of the Holy Spirit and requires us to live with ambiguity.

March 16 Prayer Takes Practice

Prayer is a skill, and just like any other skill, it takes practice. We often think that just because we are a Christian we ought to automatically know how to pray. This is not true. There are many different ways to pray, and each of us will discover a particular favorite that suits us at a certain time in our lives. We will learn about and practice a variety of prayer methods.