

Winter Convocation Workshops 2018

(A preliminary list subject to potential changes.)

Morning Workshops

1. **Lay Leadership in the Episcopal Church** - A workshop exploring our theology and practice of the leadership of lay people in our church. - The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth, Bishop
2. **Formation for Transformation: Becoming Beloved Community How do we begin the work of Becoming Beloved Community?** This workshop will lead participants through an introductory process of reflection, discernment, and planning for action utilizing The Episcopal Church's Becoming Beloved Community Long-Term Commitment to Racial Healing, Reconciliation, and Justice as a framework. The tools shared in this workshop may be shared, adapted, and utilized for faith formation in participants' local contexts. - Heidi Kim, The Episcopal Church
3. **Music that Builds Parish Community** - A workshop with our Convocation music leader about innovative and easily learned music that empowers genuine congregational singing during worship. Ana Hernandez, Musician and Teacher
4. **The Prayer Labyrinth** - An experiential workshop offering conversation and prayer through the ancient practice of walking a labyrinth. - The Rev. Peter Nielsen, St. Peter's/Ashtabula

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7. **The Refugee Crisis; What can we do?** Episcopal Migration Ministries is one of only nine resettlement agencies working in this partnership with the federal government. This agency of our church provides resources to help individual Episcopalians, parishes and Dioceses help refugees through local action and through advocacy since the late 1800s. This workshop will share the story of EMM and provide those present with the initial stepping stones to assist in this ministry. It may range from assembling a kitchen kit for a refugee family who arrives with nothing or a larger project. Episcopal Migration Ministries assures safe passage and provides vital services for thousands of refugee families upon their arrival in America: English language and cultural orientation classes, employment services, school enrollment, and initial assistance with housing and transportation. We will also share ideas for requesting grants for parishes who might want to enter into this type of ministry. Led by The Rev. Mary L. Staley of the

Commission on Domestic and Global Mission (St. Paul's PIB) and The Rev. David Bargetzi from Episcopal Community Services (St. Luke's, Cleveland).

8. **Talking about Our Faith and Church** - There are moments in all our lives when we think we want to say something to someone about our faith or our church but for any of a million reasons, the moment passes before we've done so. We will take a look at how and why that happens, and you will begin a simple process of personal preparation to make that passing less likely. This is also a process you can introduce to your congregation. - The Rev. Brad Purdom, Canon for Congregations

9. **Fearless Finances** - A look at what is new or changing in parish and diocesan finances and accounting, as well as an opportunity to bring your questions. - Sue Leishman, Chief Financial Officer

10. **Boy Scout Ministries in the Episcopal Church** - As the Boy Scouts have changed their position on LGBTQ issues, they have encountered increasing difficulties with some of their more conservative church partnerships. If it has been a while since you've explored the work and ethos of Boy Scouts (and related scouting groups), it may be time to do so again, and consider deepening or building new partnerships between your church and a Troop. - The Rev. Vincent Black, Church of the Ascension/Lakewood, Canon for Formation

11. **Daughters of the King** - "Daughters of the King are Episcopal women and girls between the ages of seven and one hundred and seven who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life, and supported through the companionship of our sisters. We are all at different stages of our Christian journey - some have just begun and some have been on this path for a long time. But no matter where we are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same - to know and make Jesus known." - Karen Swan, St. Martin's/Chagrin Falls and other diocesan members of DOK