



GO: Doing Mission with Eyes Wide Open

LEARN & SHARE WITH EPISCOPALIANS FROM AROUND THE STATE WHO ARE ENGAGED IN MISSION EFFORTS

Saturday, February 29 10:00 am - 3:00 pm St. John's Episcopal Church, Worthington, OH

Keynote

Our keynote presenter is Elizabeth Boe, Mission Personnel Officer for Global Partnerships and Mission Personnel for the Episcopal Church. She will open our conference by framing mission activity within The Way of Love, focusing on crossing boundaries to strengthen relationships and build lasting collaboration.

Workshop Session 1

Going on Mission Without Leaving Home

Presenter: The Rev. Daniel Orr, St. Mark's, Shelby

There's a whole constellation of people who support mission efforts without leaving home. How can we be intentional about involving families and parishes of those who travel? And how might we imagine mission in our own neighborhoods? Do we really need to travel or not?

Building Effective Mission Partnerships

Presenter: The Rev. Beth Frank, St. Paul's Medina and the Episcopal Church Standing Committee on World Mission

You, your church, your Diocese, or all three discern a call to new engagement in mission. Where do you start? Hear about how the individuals and parishes in the Diocese of Ohio have become involved in a dynamic relationship with the Anglican Diocese of Belize. Consider how some of these lessons learned may apply to your mission relationships.

GO: The Way of Love and Mission

Presenter: Ms. Elizabeth Boe, The Episcopal Church

The Way of Love is a set of practices – Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest, and Turn – that frame the mission and ministry of the Episcopal Church as we go into our communities, both near and far. This workshop will continue the journey begun in the keynote address as we plan, develop, and participate in relationship building across cultures.

A Theology of Mission in the 21st century

Presenter: TBA

What do the Bible and Prayer Book say about mission? We'll uncover the implicit biases in some common mission and outreach models and look at new patterns and possibilities.

Workshop Session 2

Want to Save Souls? Evaluating Mission Companies: Motivations and Finding True Meaning in Gospel Relationships

Presenters: The Rev. Jeff Bunke, St. Timothy's Perrysburg and The Rev. Melanie Slane, Church of the Redeemer, Cincinnati

Cultural education, Asset-Based Community Development, and a language of love are essential modules of a mission-minded endeavor which seeks to repair inequitable systems of resource dispersion in a globalized economy. Together we will explore the motivations behind mission work in the Episcopal tradition and look for ways to contribute to loving, liberating, and life-giving work with our sisters and brothers in the Anglican Communion across the world. We will also present a checklist of factors to consider when choosing a mission partner/site/agency.

Conquering Colonialism and Reclaiming Mission

Presenter: The Rev. Canon Karen Montagno, Christ Church Cathedral, Cincinnati

Encountering what God is already about in the world, in the name of love! A discussion of theological approaches, oppression, and transformation.

Pilgrimage: Changing the Paradigm of Mission Travel –

Presenters: The Rev. Margaret D'Anieri, Canon for Mission, Diocese of Ohio and St. Paul's Norwalk and the Rev. Daniel Orr, St. Mark's, Shelby

How do churches with one or a few young people provide the experience that youth from bigger churches get? And how do we think about this in a way that builds relationships over the long term? In 2018, we organized two pilgrimages for our young people: one to Belize, and one in Ohio. We'll share our experiences and lessons learned, and invite participants to imagine pilgrimage as a model.

Discipleship and Justice: An Asset-Based Approach to Transforming Community

Presenter: Mr. Chad Brinkman, Episcopal Relief and Development

While the Gospel calls us to love our neighbor and to participate fully in the active service of those on the margins of society, Jesus also teaches us that the capacity for change exists in every one of us. Our role is to inspire, equip, and educate people not about what communities lack, but about what they possess, and to empower individuals, including those deemed voiceless and helpless to speak up, organize, and to confidently transform their communities from within. This workshop will present resources for facilitation of the ABCD approach for community transformation.

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