

## SMALL GROUPS

### BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

**Tuesday Men's Breakfast Bible Study**  
Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 a.m.  
Michaux House, Valentine Hall

**Women's Bible Wisdom Bible Study**  
Second and fourth Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
Michaux House Library

**Living Faith Bible Study**  
Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.  
Michaux House, Room 205

**Lectionary Ladies Bible Study**  
Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
Michaux House, Room 205

**Thursday Men's Bible Study Breakfast**  
Every other Thursday, 7:30-8:30 a.m.  
Michaux House, Valentine Hall

**Sisters in the Word Bible Study**  
Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.  
For location, call Kit Bredrup: (804) 482-4629.

### BOOK CLUBS

**Brown Bag Book Club**  
First Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Gibson Hall, Conference Room B  
**January 2**, *The Namesake*, by Jhumpa Lahiri

**The Permanent Things Book Study**  
Second and fourth Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00 p.m., Michaux House first-floor parlors  
**January 14**, *The Mind of the Maker*, by Dorothy Sayers

**Rector's Book Study**  
Fourth Mondays (except in May), 7:00-8:00 p.m., Michaux House, Valentine Hall  
**January 27**, *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delia Owens

**Tuesday Readers Book Club**  
Fourth Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Michaux House, Fagan Parlor  
**January 28**, *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis

## YOUTH EVENTS

**SNOWFEST**  
**February 7-9 – Please register by January 21**

SNOWFEST retreat weekend is a great opportunity for all youth in grades 6-12 to have fun with new and old friends and explore their faith outside the rhythm and routine of daily life.

**YOUTH DAY OF SERVICE AT SHALOM FARMS**  
**March 28 – Please register by March 23**

9:00 a.m.-12 p.m., for 6th -12th graders

**6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PYM SHRINE MONT RETREAT**  
**May 8-10 – Please register by April 27**

Contact: Mary Beth Abplanalp, 355-1779, ext 334, or mbabplanalp@doers.org

## PILGRIMAGES, RETREATS & FIELD TRIPS

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**  
**Jan. 30-Feb. 9 – FULL**

Join the Rev. Dr. Mark Cooper on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and the Holy Land. Walk in Jesus' footsteps and visit sites sacred to the Christian story and faith.

**LENTEN RETREAT: THE FAITH THAT IS IN US**  
**February 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.**

This phrase comes from the Litany for Ash Wednesday - "We confess to you, Lord, our negligence in our prayer and worship and our failure to commend the faith that is in us." The Rev. Dr. Friend will offer five meditations interspersed with silence. There will also be times of group sharing. Start your Lenten journey with some spiritual reflection.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS AND THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY AHEAD**  
**April 4, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Gather to recognize the end of the Lenten season with a time of quiet reflection and preparation for the spiritual journey we each travel in our own way. Whether or not you observed a Lenten discipline, this retreat is for anyone who seeks a closer daily walk with God. Retreat leaders are participants and graduates of St. James's Education for Ministry (EfM) community.

**EXPLORING GOD'S CREATION NATURE WALK**  
**Saturdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; dates TBA**

Join a relaxed, informal outing along the James River with botanist and birder Johnny Townsend. Limited to 15 people.  
Contact: The Rev. Hilary Streever, 355-1779, ext. 317, or hstreever@doers.org

**PILGRIMAGE TO RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER VALLEY HISTORIC CHURCHES**  
**May (TBD), 7:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

Did you know that it was dangerous to be an Episcopalian during and immediately following the Revolutionary War, due to the Church's ties with the British crown? A generation later therefore saw a boom in missionary activity. Join us on this pilgrimage to three historic parishes in the Rappahannock River Valley, planted 1800-69 by the Rev. John Peyton McGuire, "The Apostle of the Rappahannock." Learn about the history of the Episcopal Church and its theology through these three churches, and also visit the Rappahannock River Valley National Wildlife Refuge to learn about the intimate connection between the Church and the land.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL**  
**Thursday, June 25, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.**

The Washington National Cathedral is not just a house of prayer for all people: it is also the national cathedral for the Episcopal Church. People of all ages are invited to come explore this holy and historic space.

**OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY**  
**August 10-20, 2020**

This 11-day pilgrimage to Oberammergau and the Passion Play will be led by rector John McCard. In addition to viewing the Passion Play, we will visit historic and beautiful sites in the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Hungary, Austria and Germany.  
Contact: Matt Harper, mharper2240@gmail.com



### SPECIAL CONCERTS AND SERVICES

**January 19 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Evensong**  
Sunday, 5 p.m. Norfolk State University Concert Choir and St. James's Choirs  
Dr. Carl Haywood, guest conductor and organist

**February 9 Corey's Gospel Hour: Readings and Old-Time Gospel Hymns**  
Sunday, 7 p.m. led by local musician Corey Axt in Valentine Hall

**February 23 Choral Evensong**  
Sunday, 5 p.m. The Saints Singers from St. Catherine's and St. Christopher's Schools and St. James's Youth Choir

**February 26 Ash Wednesday**  
Wednesday, 12 & 7 p.m. West Gallery Choir

**February 28 Choral Concert**  
Friday, 7 p.m. Southern Virginia University Chamber Singers, Dr. Kyle Nielsen, conductor, and Richmond Mormon Chorale, with Dr. Andrew Unsworth, organist of the Mormon Tabernacle

**March 3 Organ Recital: Martin Schmeding**  
Tuesday, 7 p.m. Professor of Organ, University of Music and Theatre "Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy" Leipzig, Germany

**March 22 Dylan Mass**  
Sunday, 9 a.m. West Gallery Choir and Guitar Ensemble

**March 29 Sung Eucharist: Mass in G minor (Vaughan Williams)**  
Sunday, 11:15 a.m. Parish Choir

**April 5 Palm Sunday**  
Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Cherub, Children's, Youth and Parish Choirs

**April 9 Maundy Thursday**  
Thursday, 12 & 7 p.m. Parish Choir

**April 10 Good Friday**  
Friday, 12 & 7 p.m.

**April 12 Easter Day Festival Holy Eucharist**  
Sunday, 9 & 11:15 a.m. St. James's Choirs with Trumpets and Timpani

**May 3 Awarding of Crosses and Ribbons**  
Sunday, 11:15 a.m. Youth Choir

**May 10 Cantata and Awarding of Crosses and Ribbons**  
Sunday, 9 a.m. 100% Chance of Rain  
Children's Choir and Cherub Choir

**May 29 Organ Recital: Daniel Sañez**  
Friday, 7 p.m. Director of Music and Liturgy  
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

**June 7 Choral Evensong**  
Sunday, 5 p.m. St. James's Choir



**Jazz Eucharist**  
First Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Valentine Hall

**January 5, February 2, March 1, April 5, and May 3**

## SUNDAYS

### FORUMS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Select Sundays at 10:15 a.m. in Valentine Hall unless otherwise indicated

- January 5** **Community Housing Crisis, Part 2: Virginia Supportive Housing**
- February 9** **Community Housing Crisis, Part 3: Richmond Redevelopment Housing Authority**
- February 16** **Interfaith Anniversary Celebration**  
Begins at 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary and continues in Valentine Hall at 10:15 a.m.
- February 23** **Annual Parish Meeting**  
in the Sanctuary
- March 29** **Founder's Day Celebration**
- April 19** **Children's Center Sunday Reception**

### SHORT COURSES

- January 12** **Summer 2020 Preview**
- January 19** **Coffee Hour with the Rector**
- January 26** **Disease and Death in the First Century**  
with Dr. Julie Laskaris, University of Richmond
- February 2** **Parenting Forum: Supporting Your Teen's Mental Health**  
with Ashley Soukup, LCMT
- April 26** **Formation Ministry Reception**
- May 3 & 10** **Resurrection Stories**  
with the Rev. Dr. Thom Blair, Jr.

### SUNDAY LENTEN SERIES: EPISCOPAL CHURCH 201

#### Sundays in Lent: March 1-22

Who are those Episcopalians? Where did we come from and what do we believe and practice? Whether you're from another denomination or a lifelong Episcopalian, there's more to learn about our beliefs and roots. *This short-course series, when combined with Wednesday evening small-group discussion, also serves to prepare adults for confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of baptismal vows. If interested in this track, contact Donna Ellis at dellis@doers.org.*

- March 1** **Episcopal Essentials**  
with the Rev. Dr. John McCard
- March 8** **Worship & Prayer**  
with the Rev. Hilary Streever
- March 15** **The Anglican Musical Tradition**  
with Dr. Mark Whitmire
- March 22** **Church beyond the Parish: The Diocese, the Episcopal Church, and the Anglican Communion**  
with the Rev. Dr. Bob Friend

### SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Most Sundays of each month at 10:15 a.m. in the Parkinson Room with the Rev. Dr. Thom Blair, Jr.

**Jan. 12, 19 & 26; Feb. 2; March 1, 8, 15 & 22; April 19 & 26; May 3 & 10**

### INTENTIONAL SPIRITUALITY GROUP

First Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. in Peterkin Parlor with Brother Leo Campos and the Rev. Hilary Streever

**January 5, February 2, March 1, May 3**

## WEDNESDAYS

### FELLOWSHIP DINNER AND STUDY

Seasonally on Wednesdays in Valentine Hall, following Evening Prayer in the Chapel at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m., study at 6:45-7:30 p.m. Childcare available 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Michaux House 201.

### LIFE IN THE FIRST CENTURY

What was a Roman banquet like? What were illness, medicine, and death like in the ancient Near East? How were Roman cities designed? How do stories of mythical heroes compare to stories of the Messiah? Enter into the world of the first century with our guest speakers to consider how early Christians would have heard the words and understood the ministry of Jesus Christ.

- January 15** **Mystery Cults and the Mystery of Faith**
- January 22** **While on the Way to the Forum...**
- January 29** **In Gods They Trust**
- February 5** **From Eggs to Apples: Ancient Roman Dining**

### WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERIES: "SECULOSITY"

Episcopalian and lay minister David Zahl writes in his 2019 book *Seculosity: How Career, Parenting, Technology, Food, Politics, and Romance Became Our New Religion and What to Do About It* that Americans are as religious as ever – just about things other than God. According to Zahl, we seek salvation in everything from politics to parenting, food to technology, career to romance. Join Zahl and his colleague the Rev. Connor Gwin, Chaplain of Stuart Hall School, for this engaging Lenten series.

- March 4** **Introduction to Seculosity**
- March 11** **The Seculosity of Busyness**
- March 18** **The Seculosity of Teens and Schools**
- March 25** **The Seculosity of Death and Dying**
- April 1** **The Seculosity of ... TBD**

### ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS

Short Courses: Sundays, March 1 to 22, 10:15-11:00 a.m., Valentine Hall  
Small Groups: Wednesdays, March 4 to April 1, 6:45-7:30 p.m., Michaux House 308  
Each Sunday a clergy-led short course on "Episcopal Church 201," open to all parishioners, discusses a basic Christian or Episcopal topic. Participants desiring confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of baptismal vows will also meet Wednesday evenings in small groups facilitated by lay leaders for discussion, Bible study, and prayer.  
To register by **Feb. 26**, contact Donna Ellis at 355-1779, ext. 313, or dellis@doers.org.

### NEWCOMERS CLASS

#### TWO OFFERINGS!

Winter: Part 1, Wednesday, January 22, and Part 2, Sunday, January 26  
Spring: Part 1, Wednesday, April 22, and Part 2, Sunday, April 26  
Interested in joining St. James's? Attend two back-to-back sessions – Wednesday evening followed by Sunday morning – for fellowship, worship, and basics about life & membership at St. James's. Part 1 is 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. starting in the chapel; Part 2 is 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., starting with the 9:00 a.m. service and moving to the Gibson Hall Atrium for discussion. Childcare is available in our nursery.  
To register: Donna Ellis, 355-1779, ext. 313, or dellis@doers.org

## WEEKDAYS

### EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EFM)

Tuesdays, returning January 7, 6:15-8:30 p.m.  
Westminster-Canterbury, 1600 Westbrook Ave. Registration required.  
Contact: Jane Dowrick, efmvirginia@gmail.com

### SELFSTARTERS

Second Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Gather Scott's Addition, 2920 W. Broad St.  
Contact: Jay Sandusky, jaysandusky@gmail.com

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS

### BAPTISM ORIENTATION

Sunday, January 12, 10:15-11:00 a.m., Gibson Hall Atrium  
Are you considering baptism for yourself or your child? Our clergy, staff, and Baptism Guides warmly invite you to our one-hour baptism orientation designed to answer important questions in preparation for this joyful sacrament. Offered twice a year.  
Contact: the Rev. Hilary Streever, 355-1779 ext. 319, or hstreever@doers.org  
Becky Page, 355-1779 ext. 314, or bpage@doers.org

### WOMANKIND ART EXHIBITION NEW!!

Gallery Exhibition: March 5-21, Michaux House Lower Level  
Opening Reception: March 5, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
In celebration of the creative gifts given to us, we will exhibit work on the theme of Fearless Women of Faith. To submit work, please visit [www.womankindrichmond.com/art-exhibition/](http://www.womankindrichmond.com/art-exhibition/) by February 5.

### WOMANKIND: FEARLESS WOMEN OF FAITH

Friday, March 20, & Saturday, March 21  
WomanKind's 2020 theme ***Fearless Women of Faith*** explores and celebrates how God has inspired fearlessness in us. In our keynote sessions, workshops, and worship, we will examine fearlessness in the face of injustice, violence against women, life transitions, the unknown, vulnerability, and even fear itself. Author Lisa Sharon Harper (*The Very Good Gospel*) keynotes and award-winning preacher the Rev. Dr. Judy Fentress-Williams of Virginia Theological Seminary preaches. Learn more and register online at [womankindrichmond.com](http://womankindrichmond.com).

## SUNDAYS FOR YOUTH

- Starts** All classes meet in Michaux House
- January 5** Junior Youth Fellowship: Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders  
10:15 -11:00 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class: 9<sup>th</sup> graders  
Senior Youth Fellowship: Youth Group 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders
- January 12** Summer Preview For 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth & parents
- January 19-20** SYF Lock-In
- April 5** Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast (8:30 a.m.) prepared by youth
- April 26** Children & Youth Sunday with Senior Blessings
- May 17** Confirmation Sunday