

April 24, 2024

Nurturing Joy!

Diocesan Day of Ministry Celebration



The diocese is hosting a celebration of our ministries together on **Saturday, May 18, at Trinity Cathedral from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

This promises to be a day of joy-filled celebration. With our Fall diocesan convention mostly focused on business, this is an opportunity for the whole diocese to get together for fellowship, idea-sharing, and worship.

Much more information here: www.episcopalpgh.org/nurturing-joy/



Resources for Children's Ministries



Jen Yoon of St. David's, Peter's Township, coordinates the diocese's Children's Ministry Team. She has compiled a comprehensive collection of resources for use across multiple age groups in your parish. The categories include:

- Montessori Style Formation (e.g., Godly Play)
- Lectionary-Based Children's Ministry Curricula
- Non-Lectionary-Based Children's Ministry Curricula
- Children's Bibles
- Confirmation Curricula
- Books, Guides, and Other Resources

The resources are available here: episcopalpgh.org/resources/childrens-ministry-resources/.

If you have questions about these resources, or if you would like to suggest that a resource be added to this page, please send an email to Jen at pghchildmin@gmail.com.



With One Voice: Interfaith Coalition to End Gun Violence

Last year, 500 Pennsylvanians descended on Harrisburg demanding an end to gun violence. Soon after, the first bipartisan policies in years passed the PA House. Join many Episcopalians from across the state on Tuesday, May 7th as we continue our life-saving work.



Everyone should be able to live a life free from gun violence. **Join us in Harrisburg for a day of advocacy.**

WHAT: END GUN VIOLENCE - PA ADVOCACY DAY

WHEN: Tuesday, May 7th, 2024 | 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

WHERE: The Pennsylvania State Capitol in Harrisburg, PA

To RSVP, visit [CeaseFirePA.org](https://act.ceasefirepa.org) or

<https://act.ceasefirepa.org/a/advocacyday24?ms=DioceseofPgh>

Pennsylvanians will have their voices heard.

OUR MISSION CeaseFirePA organizes with communities closest to the issue, holds those in power accountable, and maximizes the strengths of every member of its broad coalition - understanding that the strongest work is work done by many.

TAKE A STAND

To learn more visit www.ceasefirepa.org

For more information, please contact Marilyn Mulvihill, the diocesan coordinator for this event at mimi15143@yahoo.com



Forward Day by Day July Reflections Written by the Rev. Erin Morey

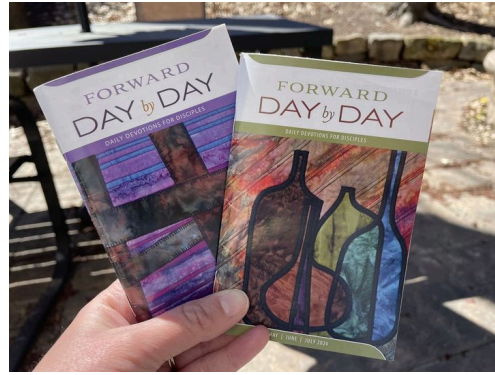
If you regularly read the Forward Day By Day devotionals online or in the popular print version, you may already have noticed that this years' reflections for July were written by **the Rev. Erin Morey**, Assistant Rector at St. Paul's, Mt. Lebanon!

You can find the Daily Devotions online here: <https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/fdd>

You can also subscribe to receive them daily by email here: <https://forwardmovement.us1.list-manage.com/subscribe?>

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or hear them read aloud by Erin in the Forward Day By Day podcast here:
<https://www.forwardmovement.org/Pages/Item/12306/Podcast.aspx>



Join us and hear, in survivors' own words, how our system is

Deadly by Design

It's time to face the truth: **gun violence isn't random or inevitable.** It's not driven by mental health, video games, or too few armed guards. It's driven by **easy access to guns.**

CeaseFirePA has launched a video storytelling initiative where gun violence survivors not only share the loss they've experienced, but also tie the shooting back directly to a policy failure that allowed it to happen.

We're highlighting how our society's systems are set up to be fatal. But we can change that by shifting the narrative and helping people to understand how **gun violence isn't random or inevitable** – it's systematic. And we can reform our system.

Video screening, discussion, and call to action!

Thursday, April 25 at 7 pm

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church
2365 McAleer Rd.
Franklin Park, PA 15143



CEASEFIREPA
A project of CeaseFirePA
Education Fund

ALL ARE WELCOME

More Information:

Please contact Marilyn Mulvihill
mimi15143@yahoo.com or 412-427-2715



Refugees belong here:

*How Pittsburghers are welcoming
our newest neighbors*



Sunday April 28, 7 pm

*an online panel organized by the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh's
Social Justice & Outreach Committee, with speakers from*



*Episcopal Migration Ministries
Hello Neighbor
Jewish Family & Community Services
Dor Hadash Refugee Welcome Group*



*All are welcome
Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/27spal76>
After registering, you will receive Zoom link.*



God Willing
and the People Consenting
The Right Reverend Ketlen A. Solak
will ordain

James Attilio Miorelli

to the Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ's one holy catholic
and apostolic Church

Saturday, May 4, 2024
at ten o'clock in the morning
at

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
1066 Washington Road
Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania 15228

Your prayers and presence are requested
Clergy: Red Stoles Reception to follow



Celebrate World Labyrinth Day

Calm your mind and comfort your spirit at **Christ Church, North Hills on May 4** for World Labyrinth Day!

Join thousands of people worldwide in a moving meditation for world peace. Participants "walk as one at one" across the globe in their own time zone to create a rolling wave of prayer and meditation from one time zone to the next.

Labyrinth walking is an ancient meditative practice that gives us time to calm our mind and alleviate stress.

Animal Friends Therapets will also be available to provide further comfort for those who need it.



Please be prepared for a quiet experience and remember to bring socks.

The walk is from 1-2 p.m. Therapets will be visiting from 12:30-2:30 p.m.

[Christ Episcopal Church](#), 5910 Babcock Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15237



Diocesan Listening Session: Potential Changes Related to the Book of Common Prayer

In 2022, the General Convention passed Resolution A059, which called for substantial revisions to Article X [Of the Book of Common Prayer] of the Constitution of the Episcopal Church. The proposed amendments attempt to shift the Church's awareness that contemporary and future methods of publication may not be restricted to the form of a book. What General Convention adopts as a prayer book is not a form of publication (a book) but rather the content, i.e., the text of the liturgies.



Since this is a revision to the Constitution, it requires a second reading and approval at the upcoming General Convention in June of this year. Please join the bishop and members of Pittsburgh's deputation to General Convention for a discussion and listening session on **Thursday, May 30 from 5-6pm, via Zoom**. Our deputation wants to hear from a wide variety of voices from across the diocese, so all are warmly invited to participate!

Background and the text of the proposed changes, as well as related resolutions, can be found

here: https://www.episcopalarchives.org/sites/default/files/gc_resolutions/2024-A072.pdf

To join the meeting, please click this Zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81655001056?pwd=YzdJb2dQnMzZ05tb25oRlJlRndsQT09>

If you have other questions, please contact Jamie McMahon, chair of Pittsburgh's deputation to General Convention, at jamie.mcmahon@gmail.com.



PAINT-A-SLATE

with local artist Sandy Smith

Saturday, May 4th @10AM

ST. FRANCIS IN THE FIELDS- 2081
HUSBAND RD. SOMERSET PA

Bring your own slate 10" x 10" for \$20 **OR** Purchase a pre-prepared slate for \$28

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE EPISCOPAL
CHURCH WOMEN'S OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Register by calling Kathy @ 814-267-3696



You are invited to spend time with the Bishop and members of the laity from around the diocese on **Thursday, May 30, at 12 p.m.**

**Nurturing
our Faith!**

Nurturing our Faith is an opportunity for fellowship, prayer, and spiritual reflection through story sharing. This gathering for laity is part of a series of Zoom gatherings with Bishop Ketlen. All gatherings have the same format and any lay person can come to any one of them.

Please register for the May 30 online gathering at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451220202>






**THE STEVENSON SCHOOL
FOR MINISTRY INVITES
YOU TO A CLASS ON:**

**GOD'S REIGN
ACCORDING TO
JESUS AND PAUL**

*Tracing the Theme of God's Reign
Through the New Testament*

**5:30 - 6:30 PM EASTERN
MONDAYS JUNE 3 - AUGUST 5
ONLINE
\$150 TO AUDIT, \$375 FOR CREDIT
INSTRUCTOR: JOSHUA DAVIS, PH.D.**

gods-reign.eventbrite.com
ssfm@diocesecpa.org



Search for Priest to Serve in Johnstown and Somerset

St. Mark's, Johnstown, and St. Francis in the Fields, Somerset, have launched a search for a full-time Priest-in-Charge to serve both parishes. Details, including the full job posting, parish profiles, and a message from the senior wardens, may be found on the Search page of each parish's website:

- [St. Francis in the Fields, Somerset](#)
- [St. Mark's, Johnstown](#)



St. Francis in the Fields



St. Mark's

Application materials and questions about the position may be directed to Canon Kim Karashin at kkarashin@episcopalpgh.org. If you know of any qualified clergy who may be interested in discerning a call to this first-of-its-kind partnership in our diocese, please share with them this opportunity.



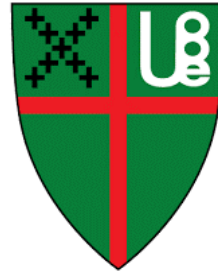
Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) Annual Business Meeting & Conference

June 18-June 21, 2024 Louisville, Kentucky

Registration is now open for the conference, see details on the UBE website with a tentative schedule of events, including a Juneteenth celebration, Recognition Luncheon and Gala Dinner.

For Hotel registrations, please contact The Galt Hotel, 800-843-4258, reference group code 061824UBE, rate \$189.00 per night

Please go to the [national UBE website](#) for more information



Around the Diocese



Bishop Ketlen's Visitation Schedule:

April 28: St. Brendan's, Franklin Park

May 5: Redeemer, Squirrel Hill

May 12: Christ Church, Indiana

May 19: Christ Church, North Hills (Pentecost)

Parish leadership is reminded to complete and submit [this form](#) at least two weeks in advance of their visitation.

To schedule time with Bishop Ketlen, contact Andrea Rath at 412-721-0853, ext. 251, or arath@episcopalpgh.org.

The **Cycle of Prayer** for December 2023 – August 2024 is [available here](#).

Bishop Ketlen's **Visitation Schedule** for December 2023 – June 2024 is [available here](#).

Important Reminders

It's Parish Annual Meeting time! Leadership is reminded to complete our **Annual Meeting Report Form** (available in [PDF](#) or [Word](#)) as soon as possible following your meeting.



Parting Shots

Installation of New Rector in Ligonier



It was a joy-filled day in Ligonier on Saturday, April 20, when the Rev. Marjorie Bevans was installed as the 7th Rector at St. Michaels of the Valley.

Bishop Ketlen Visits St. Peter's, Blairsville



The folks at St. Peter's in Blairsville welcomed Bishop Ketlen by "striking up the band" on Sunday, April 21.

Easter Egg Hunt in Homewood Featured in Post-Gazette



Sebastian Foltz/Post-Gazette

EGGS-ACTLY RIGHT Liam James, 2, of Homewood, opens an Easter egg with church volunteer Martha Weiss, of O'Hara, in the preschool area of the Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal in Homewood on Saturday. While the annual outdoor egg hunt was canceled due to rain, church organizers were able to bring the celebration indoors.

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette featured the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Holy Cross, Homewood, that was held on Saturday, March 30.



Has your parish been featured in the news?
Please let us know via email at info@episcopalpgh.org