



**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN
COLORADO**

2016 ANNUAL CONVENTION

WORKSHOPS AT ANNUAL CONVENTION

JOURNEY INTO FAITH: WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS AND RENEWING YOUR COMMUNITY



The Reverend Rebecca Brown and Beverly Piro, Christ the King Episcopal Church, Arvada

In this workshop, we will talk about the difference in focus of discipleship from the focus on church membership in the context of a catechumenate program. We will "Journey into Faith" and explore questions and processes that invite people into a deeper engagement with their personal faith as well as with the Church. This workshop will introduce you to a process of incorporating new people into your parish while also renewing those who help to guide them, a process that helps people to give meaning to their own lives and form authentic community with others.

SOULFUL CONVERSATIONS: A JOURNEY TOWARD LIBERATION & HEALING



Tawana Davis and Dawn Riley Duval, Soul2Soul Sisters

In an inclusive sacred space, participants will learn about the Black Liberation/Black Lives Matter movement and share stories toward personal and collective liberation and healing.

HOME: FROM THE FRONT DOOR TO THE KITCHEN



Mike Orr, Office of the Bishop

This workshop is a paradigm shift, a metaphor for the invitation and connection we know in our own families. Discover the strategies employed by healthy, growing churches to create intentional environments where relationships grow deeper with God and with one another. Explore with us this intersection of communications strategy, formation, and membership growth.

FOUR STEPS TO IMPROVE YOUR LIVING OF THE FIFTH GOSPEL



The Reverend Brooks Keith and Lorraine Reeder, Church of the Transfiguration, Vail

Does your parish have a world vision of outreach? Follow us to the Holy Land, the places where Jesus lived and taught, and make the Bible stories come alive in your congregation. This workshop explores how to live out our faith with compassion, how to build bridges to peace, and how to provide humanitarian aid in a world of imbalance and instability in the Holy Land. As Bishop Rob said following the tragedy in Orlando, "...our witness to the love that is God must be made visible."

SIPPIN' ON SUNSHINE: FAITH, FINANCE, & SAVING THE PLANET



Mark Monroe and Kathy Shields, St. John's Episcopal Church, Boulder

Spurred by the Paris Accord and Pope Francis's *Laudato Si*, St. John's decided to start saving the planet. We learned 40% of our energy could come from the sun. Parish member-investors formed an LLC to fund the project, getting a return instead of giving a donation. We offset 42 tons of CO2 per year, and will save the church \$100,000 over its lifetime! Come share our knowledge to get your own projects started!

MISSION TRIPS: PREPARING FOR SUCCESS



Patricia Bjorling, El Hogar Ministries

What contributes to making a mission trip transformational? In this workshop you will learn how the success of a mission trip depends on more than the practicalities of preparation, such as fundraising and choosing a team leader. Even more important is preparing team members emotionally, spiritually, and culturally to be in community with the people they will meet. Make your next mission trip the best ever, and set your congregation on fire!

BELIEVING IS SEEING: RESPONDING TO JOHN'S GOSPEL



The Reverend Bruce McNab, Retired

Jesus' first words in John are a question to his earliest disciples: "What are you looking for?" He asks us the same question. This workshop invites us to believe more deeply in Jesus as the human face of God, portrayed in the gospel of his Beloved Disciple. Believing in Jesus shapes how we perceive our own identity, the world around us, the nature of truth, and our relationship with God. Truly to believe is to see with love's eyes. This workshop is designed around Father McNab's new book, *Believing is Seeing: A Guide for Responding to John's Gospel*.

CATHEDRAL RIDGE: LIVING INTO OUR VISION



Ann Fleming, Tracy Methe, Elizabeth Gallegos, and The Reverend Canon Ken Malcolm, Office of the Bishop

An interactive workshop that allows participants to understand the many ways Cathedral Ridge engages people across generations to deepen their faith.

THE ODD COUPLE ON CAMPUS: AN ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP



Zach Parris and The Reverend Mary Kate Rejouis, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, Boulder

Four years ago, Lutheran Campus Ministry were doing the same thing at the same time with the same meager results just half a mile apart. Today there is a thriving community of students supported by their ecumenical partnership. Discover what we learned and explore the possibility for a life-giving ecumenical partnership in your context.

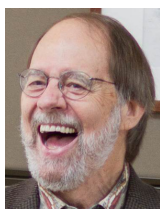
ACHIEVE FINANCIAL GOALS THROUGH MANAGING FINANCIAL ASSETS



Anita Sanborn, Colorado Episcopal Foundation, and Will Nicholson, Investment Advisor

How churches manage their assets makes all the difference in sustaining ministries now and into the future. Learn how to maximize and safeguard the assets and resources every congregation stewards. Discover how the various funds and services of the Colorado Episcopal Foundation can assist congregational leaders to manage assets.

FAITH AT HOME: STORIES AND CREATIVITY MATTER



The Reverend Jerome Berryman, Zoe Cole, and Kim McPherson

How can you incorporate spiritual practices for your family at home? Three experienced Christian educators will demonstrate how to integrate the Christian story with your family's story through the Godly Play method, specially adapted for the home. Explore a creative process that involves flow, play, love, and spirituality.

BIBLICAL STORYTELLING: GIVING NEW LIFE TO ANCIENT STORIES



Sheila Brockmeier and Mick Bixler, The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, Breckenridge

Biblical storytelling can give us fresh insights and renewed passion for God's Holy Word. Learning the scriptures "by heart" and sharing them orally, rather than reading from a lectionary, can breathe new life into the Liturgy of the Word. We will share reasons why we have learned to love this method and practical strategies for learning the scriptures.

“Thank you, Thank you, Thank you. The convention fed my soul!”

NO ONE LEFT BEHIND: EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY



Cynthia Katsarelis, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Denver

The Episcopal Church sent a delegation to the United Nations in 2016 with a mandate from General Convention and the Presiding Bishop to support women here and abroad in achieving a wide range of goals. What does that mean for us, in our parishes, diocese, and wider Episcopal community? How do we participate and advocate effectively for social justice? Colorado Delegate Cynthia Katsarelis will talk about the goals of the 2030 Agenda (the Sustainable Development Goals), especially those related to gender, and how they apply to the developed world as well as the developing world.

eTELLING: SHARING STORIES OF FAITH THROUGH PODCASTS



The Reverend Todd Sorensen and Matt Dickey, St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, Littleton

Learn new ways to share and hear stories of real faith by real people. Discover how an idea of sharing personal faith stories grew into using podcasts as a vehicle for storytelling. In this workshop, you will hear some examples of using podcasts to share stories of faith and learn how to get started with some practical tips.

MAKING FRIENDS WITH THE BIBLE



The Reverend John Bell

One of the limitations of a keynote address is our speaker does not have the opportunity to answer individual questions. Please join us for a free-flowing moderated question and answer session with our keynote speaker John Bell.