



The Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

Weekly Diocesan Newsletter

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Welcome to the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma's Weekly Diocesan Newsletter!

We are The Episcopal Church in Oklahoma, or, in the words of our Presiding Bishop, we are the Episcopal Branch of the **Jesus Movement**. As Episcopalians, we follow the way of Jesus in the world through worship, ministry, outreach, and serving our community. Read below to find announcements, ministry stories, and upcoming events that showcase how we live and serve as the Church in the world!

Announcements

Share an announcement!



Bishop Search Survey Results

Between March 7-17, 2019, the Bishop Search Committee conducted a survey of the opinions of the members of Diocese of Oklahoma. The survey was open to the approximately 16,000 baptized members and 591 surveys were completed resulting in a sample size that provided a 3.95% margin of error with a confidence rate of 95%. This survey, along with the listening sessions, provided the Search Committee with tremendous insight into the desired qualities we seek in the Bishop Co-Adjutor. We're pleased to share the results with you below.



Welby's Lambeth invite apology smooths way for Anglican Consultative Council to walk together

Oklahoma Bishop Ed Konieczny, center, is embraced May 4 by Burundian Bishop Eraste Bigirimana, right, and Diocese of Nairobi Bishop Joel Waweru, both of whom opposed a resolution he proposed. Both participated in crafting a compromise that the Anglican Consultative Council unanimously passed.

[Learn More!](#)



ACC-17: Welby steps in after clash over sexuality

A RESCUE grab by *the Archbishop of Canterbury*, on the last afternoon of its proceedings in Hong Kong, saved the *Anglican Consultative Council* as it teetered on the edge of a hole on the path towards unity.

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Remembering Rachel Held Evans: Presiding Bishop offers tribute

The following statement from Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry is in tribute to Rachel Held Evans:

Today is a sad day for our Church and for everyone who found the path home to our loving, liberating, life-giving God because of Rachel Held Evans. She was a fearless seeker of truth and servant of Jesus, and her witness will inspire and heal generations to come.



PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Presiding Bishop invites The Episcopal Church to the 2019 Annual Appeal

[April 30, 2019] Presiding Bishop Michael Curry is inviting The Episcopal Church and its supporters to participate in the Annual Appeal, now in its second year, saying "The Annual Appeal of The Episcopal Church is one of the many ways that we as Episcopalians help to bless this world."

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Transitions & Jobs

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**For
Clergy**

All Saint's, McAlester
St. Andrew's, Lawton

**For
Laity**

Student Minister - Grace, Yukon
Medical Staff - St. Crispin's

Ministry Stories

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Casady School's Day of Service



Holland Hall and Tulsa Public

Casady Upper Division went into the OKC community on March 27th to serve Habitat for Humanity, Homeless Alliance and the Jesus House. Pictured are the seniors laying sod with Dean of Students, Marion Tolon!

[Learn more!](#)

Schools Partner to Launch Tulsa Term

Tulsa Term is an immersive, experience-based high school semester in which a 12-student cohort of Holland Hall juniors and seniors and Tulsa Public Schools seniors use academic skills to explore the people and places of Tulsa and offer solutions to real problems in the city.

[Learn more!](#)



Oklahoma Episcopal, Orthodox congregations share space in new collaboration

East meets West in a new collaboration between the Russian Orthodox and Episcopal churches in a small city in north central Oklahoma. Members of St. Nino Equal-to-the-Apostles, a mission parish of the Russian Orthodox Church, have begun meeting for monthly worship services in a chapel at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Enid.

[Learn more!](#)



Episode 2: The Bishop's Cup

This week on the podcast is my conversation with Fr. Sean Ekberg, rector of the Church of the Resurrection in OKC and Tyler Davis, the director of development for the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma. Sean and Tyler spearhead the planning and coordinating of the Annual Bishop's Cup Golf Tournament Fundraiser. All proceeds from the tournament go toward funding project at the Diocese's Camp & Conference Center St. Crispin's.

[Learn more!](#)



**Christian Formation
Calendar**



Podcast as Ministry

Companion Diocese Uruguay

Holy God, source of healing and of peace, bless with Your grace the companion dioceses of Oklahoma and Uruguay. Through our partnership one with another may we grow in mutual affection and communion, seek a more profound



experience of truth, build up the Church in unity and give glory to Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

The Diocese of Uruguay Website

See more ministry stories!

Upcoming Events

Share an upcoming event!



May Events



Safeguarding God's Children
May 28

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Chickasha

The Safeguarding God's Children courses teach how exploitation and harassment occur, and the awareness we need to prevent such occurrences. It also teaches us how to respond, should an incident of exploitation or harassment occur.

Learn more!



Iftar Dinner
May 11th

Grace Church Yukon is excited to host the Dialogue Institute of OKC during the month of Ramadan. This event is an opportunity for learning and relationship in a respectful interfaith environment.

Learn more!

June & July Events

JUNE
13-15
2019

MISSIONAL VOICES NATIONAL GATHERING

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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2019 Missional Voices National Gathering

June 13th - 15th

Christ Church Cathedral Episcopal
2919 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70115

The 2019 Missional Voices National Gathering brings together church leaders, seminarians, church planters, entrepreneurs, artists, and everyday innovators to discuss innovative ministries and missional communities both within and outside of the traditional church context.

[Learn more!](#)

LITURGY LEADERSHIP TRAINING

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, OKC

Liturgy Leadership Training

July 27th

Church of the Resurrection

This training is for anyone who is currently a Eucharistic Minister, Eucharistic Visitor, Lay Reader, Usher, Verger, or Greeter or who wants to learn skills to become a part of one of these ministries.

[Learn More!](#)

August Events & Beyond

Multi-Generational Family Weekend

Where You and Your Family Can Reconnect,
Rejuvenate, and Rest

St. Crispin's Conference Center + Camp
Additional Information at
<https://www.epiok.org/family-camp>

**Registration is Open for Multi-
Generational Family Weekend at
St. Crispin's
August 9-11th**

Want to get away with the family for a time of reconnecting? How about rejuvenation and rest? Here's your chance.

[Learn More!](#)



Education for Ministry Training

August 15-17th

St. Crispin's

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a unique four-year distance learning certificate program in theological education based upon small-group study and practice offered from The University of the South, Sewanee. As each of us are called into Ministry, this theological education supports you in your faith and teaches you to express that faith in day-to-day events.

[Learn More!](#)



Bishop Lecture Series
September 13th & 14th
St. Paul's Cathedral, OKC

The Rev. Becca Stevens is an author, speaker, priest, social entrepreneur, founder, and president of Thistle Farms, a movement dedicated to supporting women survivors of trafficking, prostitution and addiction

[Learn more!](#)



Buddy Walk

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019
 1:30 - 4:00 P.M.
 HOLLAND HALL

Buddy Walk
September 22
Holland Hall School, Tulsa

The 17th Annual Tulsa Buddy Walk will be held at Holland Hall School this year. The Down Syndrome Association of Tulsa (DSAT) is a non-profit organization that exists to enhance the lives of individuals with Down syndrome, their families and communities.

[Learn More!](#)



82nd Diocesan Convention
hosted by St. Michael's, Norman

Bishop's Calendar

[See more upcoming events!](#)

National & International News



- Committee recommends taking "next faithful step" toward full communion between Episcopal Church and United Methodist Church
- Standing with Anglican Partners in Sri Lanka

- Love is in the hair: Houston ministry offers free haircuts, healing touch
- Presiding Bishop Curry: Easter 2019 Message
- Gray-Reeves Named Managing Director for College for Bishops

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