# St. Andrew's **Adult Forum**



# Sundays at 9:15 AM in the Parish Hall

The fall adult forum resumes on September 17 with a review of the purposes of sabbatical, and Anne's sabbatical themes in particular, and how that affects the parish formation (and other) opportunities (e.g. the adult forum schedule and preaching), including an overview of the full fall forum schedule. We will have a guest speaker, labyrinth walks, and a parish retreat (on September 30) focusing on a theme of pilgrimage, and later a number of guest speakers focusing on various aspects of race relations and reconciliation.

#### September

- 10 Continental Breakfast and Quarterly Parish Meeting
- 17 Sabbatical Review/Fall Forum Overview
- 24 Sacred Steps: Pilgrimage Medieval & Modern: Prof. George Greenia, founder of the Institute for Pilgrimage Studies at William & Mary, will lead off the fall adult forum sabbatical theme of pilgrimage/ spiritual journey. Greenia is an experienced pilgrim, having walked the Camino de Santiago numerous times. He will walk with us through universal themes of pilgrimage and how we might experience them in our current contexts. All are welcome to join us for this great adventure on our own spiritual journeys!

#### October

- 1 Labyrinth Walk (day one)
- 8 Parish Breakfast
- 15 Race and Power: Dr. Alvean Lyons, Hampton University
- 22 Redlining 2.0: Prof. Johnny Finn, Christopher Newport University
- 29 Eugenics in the Black community: The Rev. Phillip Shearin

#### November

- 5 Labyrinth Walk (day two)
- 12 Parish Breakfast
- 19 Findings from historical records regarding St. Andrew's racial attitudes; implications and recommendations on racial reconciliation efforts: Led by Marc Vance
- 26 no forum (Thanksgiving weekend)

#### December

- 3 Annual Parish Meeting
- 10 Open Conversation on Insights from Anne's and Congregation's Sabbatical Activities: Spiritual Journey/Pilgrimage and Racial Justice
- 17 no forum—Retirement reception for Bill Wilds at 11:45 AM
- 24 no forum (Christmas Eve)
- 31 no forum



In keeping with Anne's sabbatical theme of pilgrimage, a parish retreat will be offered at Sandy Bottom Nature Center on Saturday, September 30, from 9:00 am to 3:00 PM. Childcare will be provided at the facility. We will welcome retreat leader the Rev. Dale Custer who will guide us through *Setting Our Heart on the Pilgrim's Way*.

Retreat Schedule:

- 9:00 am Opening Prayers: Preparing
- 9:10 am Session 1: To Walk Far, Care Less
- 10:30 am break
- 10:50 am Session 2: Beautiful Views and Blisters
- 12:10 pm Midday Prayers: Pausing
- 12:20 pm lunch
- 1:00 pm Group Walk
- 1:30 pm Session 3: Honey from Collected Pollen
- 2:50 pm Closing Prayers: Journeying
- 3:00 pm depart

There is **no cost** to attend, but **registration is required**. Please contact Ann Turner in the church office, parish.admin@standrews-episcopal.org or 757-595-0371, **no later than Friday, Sept. 22**.

### Trip to the National Museum of African American History & Culture Saturday, October 21



Peninsula Ministry Partnership Churches (St. Andrew's, St. Augustine's, St. George's) will take a day trip, via chartered bus, to the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History & Culture in Washington DC on Saturday, October 21. **More details coming soon!** Reserve your space by contacting the church office, parish.admin@standrews-epsicopal.org or 757-595-0371.

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## **Guest Preachers During Our Sabbatical**

- Sept 10 The Rev. Canon Bernard Young
- Oct 8 The Rev. Jamaar Jones—Pastor, First Baptist Church East End
- Oct 15 The Rev. Dr. John Herbst
- Oct 22 The Rev. Dr. Dan Mannen
- Oct 29 The Rev. Phillip Shearin
- Nov 26 The Rev. Canon Willis Foster—Canon for Diversity, Diocese of Southern Virginia

