

SERVICES

SUNDAY

8:00 am Eucharist with hymns
9:00 am Fellowship
9:15 am Education for Adults,
Youth, and Children
10:30 am Sung Eucharist
11:45 am Fellowship

MONDAY

9:00 am Centering Prayer, Chapel

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Eucharist, Chapel

SATURDAY

9:00 am Centering Prayer, Chapel

MUSIC REHEARSALS

CHORISTERS

Tuesdays, 4:30–5:30 pm

SCHOLA CANTORUM

Tuesdays, 5:45–7:00 pm

ST. THOMAS CHOIR

Thursdays, 7:15 pm

Sundays, 9:15 am

CALENDAR

MAY 7

1:00 pm, Plant Sale Pickup

3:00 pm, Concert by Choral Arts NW,
Church

MAY 11, 18, 25

12:00 pm, Weekday Holy Eucharist, *Chapel*,

Note New Day and Time

12:30 pm, Brown Bag Lunch Series,

DelBene Family Library

MAY 14

After both services

Altar Guild Bake Sale, *Great Hall*

MAY 21

12:00 pm, St. Thomas 101, *DelBene Family
Library* (see page 3 for details)

MAY 27

8:30 am, Lay Ministers Breakfast, *Great Hall*

12:00 pm, Altar Guild Lunch, *Great Hall*

MAY 29 • MEMORIAL DAY

OFFICE CLOSED

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FROM THE RECTOR

New Brown Bag Lunch Series: Without Shame or Fear

By The Rev. Lex Breckinridge

Shame. It's an experience as old as Adam and Eve's encounter with the wily snake in the Garden of Eden. After violating the Lord's prohibition of eating from the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, the unfortunate couple realized they were naked and had humankind's first experience of shame. It would hardly be the last. Shame is the driving force behind all kinds of destructive behaviors like anger, fear, anxiety, and depression. Shame tells us we are unworthy and lacking. Shame tells us that we should keep secrets and holds us a back from being honest with ourselves and others.

Each Sunday in Advent, we begin The Great Thanksgiving with this:

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth: Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Jesus' coming has released from our shame and our fear. That's at the heart of the Christian message. But do we believe it? Then why do we still want to hide from others, from ourselves, and from God, like Adam and Eve?

We will explore this fundamental and challenging issue, the issue of shame as a driving force in our lives, in a three-part Thursday Brown Bag Luncheon series beginning Thursday, May 11. We will use as a resource, a wonderful new book by Bishop Rob Hirschfeld of the Diocese of New Hampshire called *Without Shame or Fear: From Adam to Christ*. He describes his book as:

...a series of meditations on scenes in Scripture through the particular lens of shame. The purpose is to look at shame directly so that we can see it for what it is—a clinging effect of sin. Shame is the lingering evidence of our having bought the lie that we are unworthy of God's loving regard. As I looked at certain Bible passages where shame seems to figure so prominently, almost as a character itself in the stories, I found myself wondering if there was a positive function to shame. I began to wonder if its persistence in my inner life drives me deeper into a reliance on God's mercy... Jesus shows us how we can be released from shame, so that we can live, love, and serve with a kind of reckless abandon and with dignity, shame's enemy and opposite.

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Who couldn't want such a life? So, come and join your friends beginning May 11 at 12:30 for lunch, a presentation, and conversation on shame and its antidote—Christ! Bring your lunch. We will have coffee and tea. Bishop Hirschfeld's book can be found on Amazon or ordered through your favorite bookstore. I highly recommend it. Hope to see you then.

Faithfully,



New Day and Time for Weekday Holy Eucharist

**Beginning Thursday, May 11, we
will celebrate the Holy Eucharist
in the Chapel at 12:00 noon.**

This will replace the Wednesday 10:00 am service which in recent years has been very lightly attended. We hope this new date and time will prove to be more convenient for those who would like a weekday opportunity to worship.

Priory

By The Rev. Karen Haig

“Welcome to the forest where monastic life thrives and you will thrive...” These are the words that greet those of us who have had the pleasure of staying with the Benedictine Sisters of St. Placid Priory and the Priory Spirituality Center. Just an hour's drive from Bellevue, the Priory is a world away. Each time I turn off College Way on to the Priory property, I breathe more deeply and feel myself settle in to a deeper connection with God and with myself.

Personal retreat time is essential for me. I love my work as a priest, my time with our congregation and staff, and the times when I can sit with just one person and listen to rich stories of precious lives. I love preaching and teaching and presiding at worship. I even like our meetings! As an extrovert, I am delighted and energized by all of these “public” activities. And while I remain a true extrovert, I have learned over the years that deep silence is essential for me—it rejuvenates me in ways nothing else can. Which brings me back to the Priory.

Last Friday morning, I arose early, gathered up what I needed for three days away and hopped in to my car for the drive to Lacey and the Priory Spirituality Center. Depending on when I arrive, there is always a warm welcome from Janice, one of the Sisters, or the weekend volunteers... the Benedictine rule insists that all visitors be welcomed as Christ himself. A folder containing everything I need to know—service times, meal times, directions to the contemplation trail and to the stations of the cross—is waiting on the entry table. The rooms are named for saints—most of them women. Gertrude, Mechthild, Scholastica, Leoba, and each room is the same but a little different. I arrive and open the folder for my room this weekend—Gertrude, and read about this little known (to Episcopalians!) but amazing saint. On the wall in each room is a beautifully calligraphed quote from the room's saint, often from a mystical moment in her life. I look up to read “I require nothing of you but to come to me empty, that I may fill you.” Now there is something I will need to spend my life working on, yet something about being here in this quiet place allows me to believe that I might actually be able to empty myself—at least for awhile—so that God can fill me. After drifting for a few minutes on that thought, I return to my folder and begin to read about becoming still. Interestingly, it begins with unpacking. “When you unpack, do nothing else.” I have learned the great delight of having little to care for, so when I come to the Priory now, I bring very little. There is always delicious, simple food available, and we can eat with the Sisters or alone or in communal silence. There is a fabulous library where I always find far more than I'll ever be able to read during my stay. A small bag of personal items, walking shoes and a rain jacket, slippers, journal and my clothes for Sunday morning, are all I need. It's an easy place to be, a gentle place. And while the Sisters seem always delighted to talk during meals or if I want to pursue a conversation, one is mostly left to herself in this contemplative place. The liturgies of morning, mid-day and evening praise as well as Eucharist are all open to the Priory's guests. Punctuating my days with these contemplative liturgies deepens my interior calm even more.

It is so very important for us to rest, and because I am such a “do-er.” I rest more easily when the laundry isn't in front of me. But it isn't just the tasky things of life that keep me busy. My garden, the possibility of warm bread right out of the oven, a long cooking thick and luscious red sauce... there are so many pleasurable things

NEW DOORS ARE COMING

The Bellevue Fire Department has asked us to bring the doors and door hardware in the church up to current exit standards. Meeting current codes requires changing out several of the doors and replacing all the door hardware. We will also paint and refinish all the doors in the church and chapel as a part of this project.

The main exterior doors to the church and chapel will be painted a beautiful red in the tradition observed by many Episcopal churches around the country. Red is liturgically significant. It represents the blood of the martyrs calling us to lives of self-sacrificial love, discipleship, and faithful witness to the good news of Jesus Christ.

Red also represent the fire of the Holy Spirit. When we enter the church, we place our lives in the protection of the gift-giving Spirit who gives birth to the church and to us as its members, and who comforts, strengthens, challenges, refines, and transforms us. Red also reminds us every Sunday that we are about to hear the Scriptures—inspired by the Holy Spirit—read and proclaimed.

Work on the doors will begin in May and should be completed by the middle of the month.

ST. THOMAS 101

On **May 21, 2017 at 12:00 pm** in the Del Bene Family Library located in the Ebsworth Life Center, you can learn more about the St. Thomas community and opportunities with us for worship, spiritual growth, service, and fellowship. We will offer this *St. Thomas 101* presentation on the third Sunday of every month. No need to sign up ahead of time, just get a cup of coffee or tea and a plate of treats and join us! **Contact:** Lorraine McReynolds, 425-444-2644 or lsmcreynolds@gmail.com.

to do too. So to give time over to simply “being” is a wonderful gift that is more easily realized for me at the Priory than anywhere else close by.

Jesus’ words “Come to me all who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest,” are realized at the Priory. Whether you go for a silent retreat, for one of their art or prayer or spirituality programs, or just to spend a little time with yourself, you will surely find rest. Consider going—it is a gift for which you will thank yourself and your God over and over again.

Faithfully,

Priory Spirituality Center
website: www.stplacid.org; email
spiritualityctr@gmail.com;
360-438-1771

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

This class prepares parents and godparents for their child’s baptism through engaging discussions about why we baptize, what it accomplishes, and what it means for a person’s life in the context of a community of faith.

The next class will take place on two **Saturdays: May 27 and June 3, 10:00 to 11:30 am** for baptisms on the **Day of Pentecost, June 4.**

Contact: The Rev. Steve Best, steveb@stthomasmedina.org, 425-454-9541.

CENTERING PRAYER INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM

Contemplative Outreach Northwest presents centering prayer in four sessions beginning on Saturday, May 20, 2017 (8:30 am to 3:00 pm), and continuing on three Saturdays in June: June 3, 10, and 24 (all 8:30 am to 2:00 pm). All sessions will take place in Seattle at St. Andrews Episcopal Church. The cost of the Program is just \$75.00. Scholarships are available. Contact: mbernadettej@yahoo.com.

If you are longing for a deeper and more intimate relationship with God, Centering Prayer gives you a way to say “yes” to God’s presence and action in your life. It is a method of silent prayer that leads to contemplation and a deeper relationship with God. This Program is valuable for those new to centering prayer and those who seek to deepen their existing practice. Even if you have at one time attended a Centering Prayer Introductory Workshop or are in a centering prayer group, this Program can deepen your practice and let you hear and see anew.

You can access the Program flyer for further information at <http://www.saintandrewsseattle.org/centering-prayer/>

You can register by sending your name, address, phone number, and email address to: pwilder@blarg.net and sending your check made out to Contemplative Outreach Northwest (CONW) to Pam Wilder, CONW, 4010 Greenwood Ave., N Seattle WA 98103. Please write “CP Intro Program” in the memo line on your check.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Financial Report – Year to Date as of 3/31/17

Overall the first quarter of 2017 was a good start to the year. We received a major gift that has enabled us to retire the debt on the Ebsworth Life Center. (The loan payoff, however, is not reflected in the first quarter statements because it did not occur until the first week of April.) We are using some of the 2016 cash surplus to fund needed repair work on the church doors and lights.

Income

- Pledge contributions are ahead of projections year to date. However, if we back out prepaid pledges (2017 pledges paid in 2016), our monthly pledge giving is lower than expected. The Finance Committee and Vestry encourage all parishioners to keep your pledges current.
- As mentioned above we received a major gift that has enabled us to eliminate the debt on the ELC. We continue to receive pledge gifts for ELC debt reduction, and these pledges are factored into our pay off the ELC loan.
- Plate giving and contributions (gifts from non-pledgers) are behind projection through the 1st quarter.
- Donations to the parish from special gifts and bequests are ahead of projection, and continue a positive trend that began in 2016.
- Lease revenue continues to meet budget projections and plays an important role in the overall parish income stream.
- Parish investment income has also been positive for the quarter due to dividends received from stock pledge contributions.

Expenses

- Overall expenses have slightly exceeded budget due primarily to utility costs and major repairs on the church boiler system. These costs were partially offset by lower than projected expenses for our Diocesan assessment (due to deductions for repair work on the church and outreach spending), technology fees and wage and benefits.

Year End Forecast

- The Treasurer, Finance Committee and Chief Operating Officer are optimistic that we will have positive financial results for the year assuming pledge contributions meet projections.

Cash Position

- As of March 31st, the parish had 59 days of operating cash on hand. We are working toward a goal of maintaining 120 days of working cash on hand.
- The St. Thomas Legacy Foundation had \$625,283 in its various endowments and reserve funds as of March 31st. This is down from \$642,776 at the end of 2016. This lower value reflects the annual distributions of endowment income to the parish and a slight downturn in Diocesan Investment Fund performance during the 1st quarter of 2017.

The Rector and Vestry extend their thanks and gratitude for your faithful financial support as we work to achieve our mission of knowing Jesus Christ and making Christ's transforming love known to our community and beyond.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vestry

Anne Corley, *Senior Warden*
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Brian Gregory, *Associate for Youth Ministries*
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Kathleen Higgins, *Kids' Club Coordinator*
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Doug Anderson, *Day Porter*
Greg Murray, *Chief Operating Officer*
Laura Gregg, *Executive Assistant to the Rector*

The Collect

Anne Corley, *Assistant Editor*
Laura Gregg, *Layout and Production Editor*

Deadline: For the **June** issue, **May 15**. Please submit copy to office@stthomasmedina.org or leave in the mailslot marked "Collect" at the church. All articles will be edited. Questions? Please call Laura at 425-454-9541.

Consolidated Statement of Activities & Changes in Net Assets it. Thomas Episcopal Church & St. Thomas Legacy Foundation For Quarter Ended 3/31/17 with Prior Year Comparison

Modified Cash Basis

	2017	2016
Operating Fund Revenue		
Pledge Contributions	\$ 343,221	\$ 328,962
ELC Debt Reduction Contributions	\$ 368,327	\$ -
Non-Pledge Contributions	\$ 47,526	\$ 32,233
Endowment & Bequest Contributions	\$ 21,051	\$ -
Lease Revenue	\$ 36,031	\$ 45,384
Investment Income	\$ 12,621	\$ 16
Total Income	\$ 828,776	\$ 405,095
Operating Fund Expenses		
Advertising & Promotions	\$ 948	\$ 1,679
Banking	\$ 7,797	\$ 3,569
Books & Curriculum Materials	\$ 1,101	\$ 396
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 32,489	\$ 31,744
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 51,102	\$ 43,664
Donations	\$ 10,563	\$ 11,443
Equipment Lease	\$ 9,474	\$ 9,273
Expense Recovery	\$ (26,147)	\$ (3,953)
Facility Fees	\$ 5,500	\$ 4,146
Fellowship	\$ -	\$ -
Food & Beverage	\$ 3,010	\$ 6,248
Honorariums	\$ 3,341	\$ (239)
Insurance	\$ 3,755	\$ 3,557
Meetings & Events	\$ 18,782	\$ 1,779
Postage	\$ 1,129	\$ 533
Printing & Copying	\$ 482	\$ 214
Services	\$ 21,476	\$ 20,236
Supplies	\$ 8,150	\$ 10,657
Technology	\$ 981	\$ 1,926
Training	\$ 16	\$ -
Travel	\$ 2,010	\$ -
Utilities	\$ 20,875	\$ 20,620
Wages & Benefits	\$ 214,947	\$ 203,612
Total Expenses	\$ 391,779	\$ 371,103
Change in Nets Assets from Operation	\$ 436,997	\$ 35,492
Non-Operating Fund Revenue		
Donations	\$ 9,145	\$ 77,506
Foundation Administrative Fee	\$ 5,265	\$ -
Niche Sales Proceeds	\$ 4,600	\$ 2,350
Investment Income	\$ 15,378	\$ 7,427
Total Non-Operating Revenue	\$ 34,389	\$ 87,282
Non-Operating Expenses		
Distributions to Parish - Policy	\$ 26,316	\$ 4,961
Distributions to Parish - Other	\$ 2,000	\$ -
Niche Refunds	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Fees & Service Charges	\$ 275	\$ 18
Interest Expense	\$ -	\$ 3,758
Professional Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ -
Office Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 30,792	\$ 9,937
Change in Nets Assets from Non-Operating Activities	\$ 3,597	\$ 77,345
Total Change in Net Assets	\$ 440,594	\$ 112,837

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
St. Thomas Episcopal Church & St. Thomas Legacy Foundation
For Quarter Ended 3/31/17 with Prior Year Comparison

Modified Cash Basis

Assets	Church	Legacy Foundation	2017 as of 3/31/17	2016 as of 3/31/16
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 641,198	\$ 25,531	\$ 666,729	\$ 188,968
Investments	\$ -	\$ 625,283	\$ 625,283	\$ 626,462
Property, Buildings & Fixtures	\$ 10,671,309	\$ -	\$ 10,671,309	\$ 10,627,125
Total Assets	\$ 11,312,507	\$ 650,815	\$ 11,963,322	\$ 11,442,555
Liabilities & Net Assets				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities	\$ 41,252	\$ -	\$ 41,252	\$ 11,174
ELC Loan	\$ 389,657	\$ -	\$ 389,657	\$ 390,000
Payroll Liabilities	\$ (65)	\$ -	\$ (65)	\$ 10,988
Total Liabilities	\$ 430,844	\$ -	\$ 430,844	\$ 412,162
Net Assets				
Unrestricted	\$ 10,444,666	\$ 299,391	\$ 10,744,057	\$ 10,586,678
Temporarily Restricted	\$ -	\$ 194,411	\$ 194,411	\$ 194,411
Permanently Restricted	\$ -	\$ 136,467	\$ 136,467	\$ 136,467
Net Income	\$ 436,997	\$ 20,546	\$ 457,543	\$ 112,837
Total Net Assets	\$ 10,881,664	\$ 650,815	\$ 11,532,478	\$ 11,030,393
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 11,312,507	\$ 650,815	\$ 11,963,322	\$ 11,442,555

**ALTAR GUILD
BAKE SALE**

On **May 14, 2017** all kinds of homemade goodies will be available after both services. Buy a sweet something for mom (or yourself)! This year the proceeds will go towards new seat cushions for the chairs in the Chapel.

CATHEDRAL DAY



On **Saturday May 13, 2017**, all are invited for a special service of diocesan confirmations, stay for afternoon of fun games and activities for all ages. Lunch provided by food trucks. New this year: Selfie Station with the Bishop!

Register today (it's free) at <https://cathedral-day-2017.eventbrite.com>

St. Thomas Episcopal Church
Financial Plan for Mission to Actual Comparison for Quarter Ended 3/31/17

Modified Cash Basis

Income

	YTD	FPM (YTD)	Difference	FPM (Total)
Pledge Contributions	\$ 343,221	\$ 290,000	\$ 53,221	\$ 1,145,000
ELC Debt Reduction Contributions	\$ 368,327	\$ 7,820	\$ 360,507	\$ 31,280
Non-Pledge Contributions	\$ 47,526	\$ 34,348	\$ 13,178	\$ 134,890
Endowment & Bequest Contributions	\$ 21,051	\$ -	\$ 21,051	\$ 80,000
Lease Revenue	\$ 36,031	\$ 30,900	\$ 5,130	\$ 123,601
Investment Income	\$ 12,621	\$ 3	\$ 12,618	\$ 12
Total Income	\$ 828,776	\$ 363,071	\$ 465,705	\$ 1,514,783

Expenses

	YTD	FPM (YTD)	Difference	FPM (Total)
Advertising & Promotions	\$ 948	\$ -	\$ 948	\$ 2,050
Banking	\$ 7,797	\$ 7,480	\$ 317	\$ 29,920
Books & Curriculum Materials	\$ 1,101	\$ 503	\$ 598	\$ 2,210
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 32,489	\$ 26,247	\$ 6,242	\$ 108,441
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 51,102	\$ 55,143	\$ (4,041)	\$ 220,572
Donations	\$ 10,563	\$ 3,450	\$ 7,113	\$ 19,300
Equipment Lease	\$ 9,474	\$ 9,300	\$ 174	\$ 37,200
Expense Recovery	\$ (26,147)	\$ (15,875)	\$ (10,272)	\$ (37,275)
Facility Fees	\$ 5,500	\$ 13,000	\$ (7,500)	\$ 18,550
Fellowship	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 225
Food & Beverage	\$ 3,010	\$ 3,275	\$ (265)	\$ 12,700
Honorariums	\$ 3,341	\$ 3,075	\$ 266	\$ 10,150
Insurance	\$ 3,755	\$ 4,000	\$ (245)	\$ 16,000
Meetings & Events	\$ 18,782	\$ 2,508	\$ 16,273	\$ 7,025
Postage	\$ 1,129	\$ 775	\$ 354	\$ 2,750
Printing & Copying	\$ 482	\$ 375	\$ 107	\$ 1,500
Services	\$ 21,476	\$ 18,313	\$ 3,164	\$ 22,250
Supplies	\$ 8,150	\$ 7,700	\$ 450	\$ 46,825
Technology	\$ 981	\$ 2,256	\$ (1,276)	\$ 9,026
Training	\$ 16	\$ -	\$ 16	\$ 350
Travel	\$ 2,010	\$ 500	\$ 1,510	\$ 2,000
Utilities	\$ 20,875	\$ 15,415	\$ 5,460	\$ 61,660
Wages & Benefits	\$ 214,947	\$ 225,533	\$ (10,587)	\$ 901,833
Total Expenses	\$ 391,779	\$ 382,973	\$ 8,806	\$ 1,495,263
Net Ordinary Income	\$ 436,997	\$ (19,903)	\$ 456,900	\$ 19,520
Net Income	\$ 436,997	\$ (19,903)	\$ 456,900	\$ 19,520



VBC 2017

Registration Available NOW! Vacation Bible Camp will take place from July 31 to August 4, with VBC Sunday on August 6. Whether you have a child who would like to participate, or you would like to volunteer, mark your calendar and save the dates! Brochures and registration forms are available in both lobbies of the Ebsworth Life Center. Take one for your family and another to give to a friend! You can also register and pay online at <http://www.stthomasmedina.org/vbc>.

Pentecost Picnic

JUNE 4, 2017, 12:00PM



KEITH HIGHLANDERS PIPE BAND,
HOMEMADE BBQ, CHILI COOK-OFF & MORE

\$5/person | RSVP | www.stthomasmedina.org

“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.”

Join St. Thomas as we celebrate the roaring entry of the Holy Spirit at our Pentecost Picnic on June 4. With homage to the Holy Spirit's driving wind and scorching flame we'll enjoy a performance by the Keith Highlanders Pipe Band; homemade BBQ by our very own Fr. Lex and Chief Operating Officer, Greg Murray; a chili cook-off; donated pies, and more!



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Join St. Thomas, Medina on Thursday, May 18, as nationally renowned cartoonist, social activist, father and educator, **Keith Knight**, leads us through a presentation and panel discussion on racial reconciliation. With laughter and thoughtful discussions, we'll consider how to build loving, inclusive, and resilient communities in a diverse range of social, cultural, and political contexts.

Keith is one of the funniest and most highly regarded cartoonists in America, and the creator of three popular comic strips: the *Knight Life*, *(th)ink*, and the *K Chronicles*. For nearly two decades, this multi-award-winning artist has brought the funny back to the funny pages with a uniquely personal style that's a cross between Calvin & Hobbes, MAD, and underground commix. His art has appeared in various publications worldwide, including the *Washington Post*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Salon.com*, *Ebony*, *ESPN the Magazine*, *L.A. Weekly*, *MAD Magazine*, and the *Funny Times*. His comic musings on race have garnered accolades and stirred controversies, prompting CNN to tap him to grade America on its progress concerning issues of race.

Mr. Knight has performed his hilariously eye-opening "racialicious" comic strip slideshow at college campuses, comedy clubs, libraries, churches, art spaces, and community centers worldwide. He also leads many workshops and panel discussions concerning race, health, community-based arts, media literacy, and making a living as a cartoonist.

PANELISTS

Councilwoman **Cynthia Adkins**, Medina City Council

Heidi J. Kim, Episcopal Church Missioner for Racial Reconciliation

The Rev. Mercedes Tudy-Hamilton, Primm Tabernacle AME Church

Purchase tickets online at

<http://www.stthomasmedina.org/event/2017-05-18-think-racial-reconciliation-with-the-gentleman-cartoonist/>

MAY 2017 @ ST. THOMAS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 9:00a Centering Prayer	2 10:45a Bible Study 4:30p Choristers 5:45p Schola Cantorum	3	4 7:15p Choir Rehearsal	5 7:00p AA	6 9:00a Altar Guild 9:00a Centering Prayer
7 8:00a Holy Eucharist 9:15a Education for All 10:15a Holy Eucharist PLANT SALE PICKUP! 3:00p Concert Choral Arts NW	8 9:00a Centering Prayer 6:30p Finance Comm 7:00p AA	9 10:45a Bible Study 4:30p Choristers 5:45p Schola Cantorum 7:30p Boy Scouts	10	11 7:15p Choir Rehearsal 12:00p Holy Eucharist 12:30p Brown Bag series: Shame	12 7:00p AA	13 9:00a Altar Guild 9:00a Centering Prayer
14 8:00a Holy Eucharist 9:00a Moms' Group 9:15a Education for All 10:15a Holy Eucharist ALTAR GUILD BAKE SALE	15 9:00a Centering Prayer 7:00p AA	16 10:45a Bible Study 4:30p Choristers 5:45p Schola Cantorum 6:30p Vestry 7:30p Boy Scouts	17 9:00a Sandwich Makers	18 7:15p Choir Rehearsal 12:00p Holy Eucharist 12:30p Brown Bag series: Shame	19 7:00p AA	20 9:00a Altar Guild 9:00a Centering Prayer 10:00a Chorister Day
21 CHORISTERS 8:00a Holy Eucharist 9:15a Education for All 10:15a Holy Eucharist 12:00p St. Thomas 101	22 9:00a Centering Prayer 7:00p AA	23 10:45a Bible Study 7:30p Boy Scouts	24	25 7:15p Choir Rehearsal 12:00p Holy Eucharist 12:30p Brown Bag series: Shame	26 7:00p AA	27 8:30a Lay Ministers' Breakfast 9:00a Altar Guild 9:00a Centering Prayer 12:00p Altar Guild Lunch
28 6:00p HS Youth Group 8:00a Holy Eucharist 9:15a Education for All 10:15a Holy Eucharist 12:00p Book Chat	29 9:00a Centering Prayer 7:00p AA MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED 9:00a Centering Prayer	30 10:45a Bible Study 7:30p Boy Scouts	31	7:15p Choir Rehearsal	7:00p AA	
5:00p MS Youth Group	7:00p AA	:30p Boy Scouts				
<p style="text-align: center;">These are just some of the events happening on the St. Thomas campus this month. To schedule meetings or other activities, please call or email the church office • 425-454-9541 • office@stthomasmedina.org Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm</p>						