

# Goodstuff



The Episcopal Diocese  
of Spokane

June 2009

## *In the Diocese*

### **Diocesan Convention Theme Set**

"Living Water for Thirsty People" is the theme of this year's Diocesan Convention, Oct. 16-18 in Lewiston, ID. Much of the convention focus will be on caring for God's creation and specifically about the gift of water. Churches in the diocese are encouraged to prepare for the convention by reading the book "Troubled Waters," watching a video or discovering other information on our care for creation. See the resource suggestion below for suggestions.

### **Anti-Racism Training at Camp Cross**

A 15-hour anti-racism training event is scheduled Sept. 11-13 at Camp Cross. The family-friendly program begins with supper on Friday, but participants may arrive earlier in the afternoon. There is no charge for the training, but room and board for camp is \$90 for adults and \$50 for children through age 12. Scholarship assistance is available. For information contact Darcy James at [djames@camasnet.com](mailto:djames@camasnet.com) or (208) 983-9334. Registration forms are available at the diocesan office or by visiting [www.spokanediocese.org](http://www.spokanediocese.org).

## *Beyond the Diocese*

### **Radical Apostle of Jesus**

"The 'First' Paul: Radical Apostle of Jesus" is the theme of an event with Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan June 15-18 at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Portland, OR. The seminar will include lecture, discussion between the partners, question and response and small group interaction. For more information and a schedule, please visit [www.center-for-spiritualdevelopment.com](http://www.center-for-spiritualdevelopment.com). Registration deadline is June 10.

### **CALL Summer Courses**

The CALL program at Church Divinity School of the Pacific, the Episcopal Seminary in Berkeley, will offer several online courses. Among them are "Creating Opportunity from Transition," "Digging up Damascus Road: Reading Paul," and "Relationship as Sacred Path. To learn more or to register, visit [www.cdsp.edu/call](http://www.cdsp.edu/call).

## *Resources*

### **'Troubled Waters'**

"Troubled Waters: Religion, Ethics, and the Global Water Crisis," by Gary Chamberlin, is recommended reading for this year's Diocesan Convention, Oct. 16-18 in Lewiston. Chamberlin is professor of Christian ethics at Seattle University. Congregations are encouraged to start book discussion groups and there will be an opportunity to discuss the book at the convention. Publisher is Roman & Littlefield. The convention theme this year is "Living Water for Thirsty People."

### **'Flow'**

Another resource to prepare for this year's diocesan convention is the film "Flow," which can be borrowed from the Faith and Environment Network. The film is about 80 minutes long and available on DVD. Contact Evita Krislock [evita@krislock.com](mailto:evita@krislock.com). It will also be shown at St. John's Cathedral the evening of Sept. 9 at an event sponsored by Cathedral youth.

### **Video from Faith and Environment Network**

Felicia Reilly from the Faith and Environment Network has video resources available that could help you prepare for Diocesan Convention. One is "Water: Sacred and Profaned," a 27-minute DVD that is a compilation of reflections. Washington poet David Whyte is among the contributors. Also available is "Irreplaceable - Wildlife in a Warming World," an 11-minute documentary plus a collection of photos. For these and other suggested resources, contact Felicia at [faithandenvironment@gmail.com](mailto:faithandenvironment@gmail.com).

### **Feasting on the Word**

"Feasting on the Word," a 12-volume commentary for preaching on the Revised Common Lectionary is available from Westminster John Knox Press. Editors are Barbara Brown Taylor and David L. Bartlett. For information visit [www.feastingontheword.net](http://www.feastingontheword.net).

### **Coming Events...**

June 5-7      Crafting Retreat, Camp Cross  
June 25 -30   DCOTE Summer Seminary, Immaculate Heart, Spokane  
July 5-10      Youth Mission Trip, Blackfoot, ID  
Aug. 2-7      Youth-Led Vacation Bible School, Holy Trinity, Spokane  
Sept. 9        'Flow,' Cathedral  
Sept. 11-13    Anti-Racism Training (Camp Cross)  
Oct. 1-4        Cursillo Weekend, Resurrection- Spokane Valley  
Oct. 16-18    Diocesan Convention, Lewiston