

# Burlington County Lay

Who is Jesus? Our elder brother and we are all siblings.

Love taking part in the sacrament of communion, being in that experience. Don't get that experience in a nondenominational church.

My congregation loves me.

My congregation is my community, it excites and feeds me.

Recent events - 5 deaths in six months. It helps to sustain the family who is mourning. Faith gives us an answer to the unknown. Gives a chance to work together to make things better.

Outreach, giving back to the community around the physical space.

When we travel we can go into the closest Episcopal church and get welcomed, embraced and supported. We are part of a wider community.

3 legged stool is what we all have in common.

We come for the spiritual but that is not where it should end. We need to advertise, show ourselves to the world.

We fail at being in (not just giving to) the community. Let's be seen (Mass in the Grass).

Evening Prayer offered on a Saturday night at 5:30 pm in both Spanish and English. This combats the Sunday morning sports programs.

Conflict: we witness as a Christian and as an Episcopalian. How do we witness specifically as Episcopalians? As a group?

So many kinds of people. New Age music speaks to some. Old cathedrals used to be centers of learning. Like st. John the Divine.

Always look for red doors when traveling. Vacation spots have Casual Eucharist. We need to take risks.

Blessing of the Animals in the park.

Get away from the "we tried it once and it did not work" but why not tweak and try again?

We are so mobile now. Our community church is no longer the one we attend. When we go a distance to our parish, we focus on the community where the building is located where the building is, why don't we bring it back to the community where we live?

One parish has bible study on Wed night, if you work that night why not find one at a different time in another place?

Bulletin - why not share our announcements? Consider joining together to purchase in bulk.

St Andrews Mt Holly is working with John Roberto to offer bible study on different platforms, across the technology.

We are being egocentric. What does the church do for me, what does the diocese do for us is too common attitude. Jesus says just follow me, not just give a little time for self gratification.

New members what about those who used to come and we've lost how do we get them back?

Greek Orthodox church has a 4 day festival and offers tips of the church. Graceway bible church does a live nativity.

Parable of the Rich man - what are we willing to give up? The infrastructure is around a colonial need. The facilities are a huge expense. Look for when the buildings hold us back? Programs hold us back to too - getting a congregation to try a new program is the second hardest, the hardest is to let a program that no longer works to die.

ECW - we are all old - how to engage the younger women?

Better promote Theo's Cafe and in the medium used by the young people directly.

Summer camps is where a lot of formation happens. Advertise.

Jubilee ministry.

Love stream services done on a local level?

What is next?