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The Spring Assembly of the Daughters of the King titled "Sprint into Spirit" will be at St. George Church, Camdenton from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 17, 2010. Minda Cox will be the Featured Speaker.

The cost of this event is \$10.00 which includes lunch. Please also bring along canned food items for donation to St. George's food pantry. Please contact Barbara Leabo, Secretary, at (816) 254-0123 or via email at bbleabo@sbcglobal.net before April 15th if you plan to attend.

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Christian Formation Workshop



Jeffri Harre

"Beyond Sunday School: Faith Formation Every Step Along the Way" will be held 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. April 23rd and 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. April 24th at Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. **"Beyond Sunday School"** is a Christian Formation workshop that will provide tools to enrich your faith and the faith of others. The keynote speaker is Jeffri Harre, Children's Formation Officer for the Episcopal Church Center in New York. For an event flyer and registration form, please [click here](#).

Southern Deanery Workshop



Dr. Peter
Browning

Christ Church, Springfield will host a workshop for the Southern Deanery titled **"Sexual Orientation and the Church: A Collaborative Discussion"** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. April 24th. Dr. Peter Browning will lead the workshop. Browning is chaplain and professor of philosophy and religion at Drury University in Springfield. Participants will learn about the contributions of scripture, church tradition and the natural/social sciences to the discussion. Lunch will be included at no charge.

Jr. High Retreat



This year's Junior High Retreat is planned for April 30th to May 2nd at St. Francis Lodge in Atchison. Activities will include a rope course, cookout, games and crafts. But the retreat's bigger purpose? The understanding that we are all connected in our faith. Registration ends April 15. For more information, including a flyer and permission form, please [click here](#).

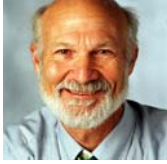
Appreciative Inquiry



The Clergy Leadership Institute will present **"Appreciative Inquiry for Vestries and**

Church Leaders" 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 1 at St. Andrew's, 6401 Wornall Terr. in Kansas City. The presenter will be Dr. Rob Voyle, a leader in the use of appreciative inquiry in coaching and church settings. The program is \$25 per person with a cap of \$100 per parish. For more information about the event, please [click here](#).

Stanley Hauerwas in Kansas City



Renowned theologian and ethicist Stanley Hauerwas will be in the Kansas City area for a lecture at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 20th, at St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, 6630 Nall Ave. in Mission, Kansas. He will speak on "**Practicing Pentecost: Learning the Language of Peace.**" Hauerwas is professor of theological ethics at the Duke Divinity School and was named "America's Best Theologian" by Time magazine in 2001. The event is free and open to the public. For a flyer of the event, please [click here](#).

Opportunities:



Episcopal
Relief & Development
Healing a hurting world

St. Matthew's Church in Raytown will be hosting a garage sale April 23rd and 24th. All proceeds will benefit Episcopal Relief and Development's efforts in Haiti. The church is accepting donations for the sale. For more information, please call Cathy Caldwell at 816-676-0665.

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