

The Church of the Ascension Rockville Centre, New York

# Adult Christian Education and Formation 2023/2024

# **Special Seminars**

#### Identity Theft Awareness and Social Media Scams Sunday, November 19 at 12pm

It is sad, but there are many people in the world that are looking for ways to manipulate you, take advantage of you, and steal your money and/or identity. The world of social media (Facebook, etc.) is rife with hoaxes and scammers are always looking for ways to get you to willingly give them private information. This brief seminar is being offered to make our parishioners aware of some of the better-known identity theft scams and hoaxes. Lunch will be served.

#### The Prayerbook 101

#### Sunday, February 18 at 12pm

Episcopalians should know the basics of what is in the prayer book and how to use it, not only for Sunday worship, but also in their private devotions. This discussion will be an excellent way to prepare for Lent.

### Book Discussions All meetings will be hybrid (online + in-person)

Orthodoxy by G. K. Chesterton: Sundays 9am, November 5, 12, 19 & 26

One of the greatest wits of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and an apologist for Christianity on par with C. S. Lewis, Gilbert K Chesterton wrote a marvelous (and prescient) critique of modernity and an excellent defense of traditional Christianity in this one of his most famous

works. From the book: "But what we suffer from to-day is humility in the wrong place...A man was meant to be doubtful about himself, but undoubting about the truth; this had been exactly reversed..."

# The Book of Common Prayer: A Biography by Alan Jacobs: Sundays 9am January 14, 21, and 28, February 11

This is an excellent, and very easy to read, introduction to the history of the Book of Common Prayer.

## Soup and Scripture Lenten Bible Study Wednesday Evenings 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

**The Gospel of Matthew** February 21 and 28, March 6, 13, and 20,

Our soup and scripture series will return this year with an exploration of the Gospel of Matthew.

