

# Saint Thomas Episcopal Church

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## ***Reading About God*** *The Basics of Holy Scripture* Spring 2010

**Purpose:** This class is for those who feel that their understanding of the Bible is inadequate or could use some brushing-up. Although we hear a lot of Scripture read from the pulpit each week in our service (and much more still is knitted into our liturgy), the whole thing can often come off rather drily as being about the “theme for the day.” This is surely a sad state of affairs, as the readings are intended to be an exciting experience of interconnected ideas and persons and stories that challenge and stimulate our faith. So by laying out the basics around Holy Scripture, we might hopefully begin to read the Bible in a different light, with a greater sense of what’s at stake for both writer and reader, then and now.

**Reading:** Peter Gomes’ *The Good Book*. (Availability information to follow.) Also, it is hoped that participants will all read the Daily Office individually so that we can talk about the week’s lections when we get together each Sunday.

**Meeting Place/Time:** Each class will meet from noon-1:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Parish House.

### April

25<sup>th</sup> – A Basic Bible Timeline

### May

2<sup>nd</sup> – Great Themes of Scripture

9<sup>th</sup> – Who Was Paul?

16<sup>th</sup> – People of the Bible

23<sup>rd</sup> – Resources for Further Study