



SAVE THE DATE • 2027. ECOT. PILGRIMAGE

Through the Thin Places



*A pilgrimage through the saints, sites, stones and stories
of our Celtic and Anglican Christian heritage*

September 8–22, 2027 • IRELAND • SCOTLAND • ENGLAND

Hosted by The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, Vail Valley

Led by Father Brooks Keith • with special guest the Rev. Canon C.K. Robertson, Ph.D.

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Limited to 30 pilgrims • registration opens this fall

Optional London extension available • September 22–24

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The ancient Celts spoke of “thin places” — where the veil between heaven and earth grows nearly transparent. For two weeks in September 2027, we will walk them together.

From a 3,000-year-old fort on the edge of the Atlantic to the mother church of the Anglican Communion, this is a journey through the very roots of our faith — the saints who carried the light through the dark ages, the stones they raised, and the stories that still shape how we worship today.

We are not tourists. We are pilgrims — traveling with purpose, worshipping in the places where Christianity took hold of these islands, and building toward a crescendo at Canterbury and London that we will earn, together, one thin place at a time.



YOUR PILGRIMAGE LEADER

Father
Brooks Keith

Rector, Church of the
Transfiguration



SPECIAL GUEST • ENGLAND

The Rev. Canon
C.K. Robertson,
Ph.D.

Joining us for the English
portion of the journey

THE JOURNEY

Fifteen days,
three countries,
one thread

I IRELAND Where the Light Was Kept

SEPT 8

Wheels Up

We depart the US and fly through the night toward the west of Ireland.

SEPT 9

The Edge of the Ancient World

We land at Shannon and go straight to the wild Atlantic edge — the west of Ireland, where the ocean meets the oldest stones. Our first days take us into the world of St. Enda, father of Irish monasticism, and to a 3,000-year-old cliff fort standing over the sea. Our pilgrimage begins where it should: at the beginning.

SEPT 10–12

Dublin & the Valley of Two Lakes

Three nights in Dublin. We stand where St. Patrick lit the paschal fire in defiance of a pagan king at the Hill of Tara, descend into the passage tombs of Newgrange — older than the pyramids — and walk the monastic city of Glendalough, where St. Kevin sought God in the wilderness. Worship in one of Dublin's great cathedrals of our tradition.

II

SCOTLAND

The Cradle of Celtic Faith

SEPT 13

Across the Sea

We fly to Scotland and settle into the harbor town of Oban — a travel day, a breath, and our first taste of the Highlands.

SEPT 14

Iona

The day many will call the heart of the pilgrimage. Ferry to the Isle of Mull, across its wild interior, and over the water to Iona — where St. Columba landed in 563 and Christianity came to Scotland. We walk where he walked. We worship where fourteen centuries of pilgrims have knelt.

SEPT 15

Through the Highlands

A panoramic journey through Glencoe — one of the most dramatic landscapes in Britain — as we make our way to Edinburgh.

SEPT 16

The Royal Mile

Edinburgh from the bottom up: St. Giles' Cathedral, the haunts of John Knox, and St. Margaret's Chapel — the oldest worshipping chapel in Scotland. Afternoon free to explore.

SEPT 17

Holy Island

A tide-timed pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, the Holy Island — cradle of English Christianity, home of St. Aidan and St. Cuthbert, birthplace of the Lindisfarne Gospels. We cross when the sea allows. It's worth the wait.

III ENGLAND The Crescendo

SEPT 18

Durham to London

South by rail with a stop at mighty Durham Cathedral — shrine of St. Cuthbert and the Venerable Bede, and one of the great buildings of Christendom. Evening arrival into London, our home for the rest of the journey.

SEPT 19

London, the Pilgrim's City

The story of our faith written across a great city — Wilberforce, Tyndale, Cranmer, and the places where the English church was forged. Evensong where the music finds us.

SEPT 20

Canterbury

A full day at the mother church of the worldwide Anglican Communion — the seat of our tradition, the destination of pilgrims for nearly a thousand years. We come not to see it, but to worship in it.
(Details being finalized — this day will be one to remember.)

SEPT 21

The Summit

Our final full day builds to the culmination of the entire pilgrimage in the heart of Anglican London. *(Details being finalized.)*

SEPT 22

Home

We return to the US — changed, we hope, by the thin places.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION • SEPT 22-24

Stay on in London at your own pace: the West End, Westminster, the city on your own terms. Hotel, breakfast, and airport transfer included.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Pilgrimage, not tourism

01

A true pilgrimage

Worship, teaching, and communion in the sacred places themselves, led by Father Brooks with Canon Robertson joining for the English portion.

02

Pilgrim pacing

We earn each place. No forced marches — room to breathe, and independent exploration time built in.

03

Prepared hearts

In the ECOT tradition, we study, gather, and build community before we ever leave home. Each pilgrim adopts one place or saint and becomes our expert on the road.

04

Comfort along the way

Hand-picked hotels, two meals daily, luggage handled for you, comfortable first-class transportation throughout.

05

A small company

Limited to 30 pilgrims.

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PRICING & REGISTRATION

Pricing details are being finalized — full pricing coming this fall

Land and air packages will be offered separately for maximum flexibility — fly from Denver with the group, use your miles, or join us from anywhere.

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Hold your place on the list

Registration opens this fall. Leave your name and we will email you the moment the registration page goes live — before it opens to the wider parish. No payment or commitment today.

Only 30 places. Everyone who reserves here is notified first, in the order received.

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QUESTIONS



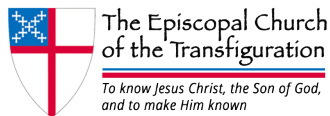
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