

The Spire

Lent/Easter 2021

A Note from the Rector

By The Rev. Peter W. Mayer

Several years ago, I asked my boss how he serves as rector of a church for 24 years and still keeps it fresh. He said that every three years or so, he asks what the next big thing is. It could be a mission somewhere. It could be local work in the community. It could be building up a specific ministry. But it's something that galvanizes a good portion of the congregation in shared passion and struggle.

Flashback to 2001. I was just hired as an assistant at St. John's, Lafayette Square. Just three months later, terrorists attacked our capital and the world changed. I don't remember what the big thing was during that time. I don't remember beginning each Sunday with a mission that was clearly defined as such. So several years later, while we were building our building here on the peninsula, I spoke with my former boss and asked about the time I served. What was the big thing then?

He answered me that when 9/11 happened, he adjusted, and the big thing became to get people to come downtown and come to church. People were afraid to be around the White House and be downtown for fear of more attacks. Essentially, the mission became to survive.

The present tragedy of the COVID-19 pandemic has forced us to adjust to a new reality. We are inhibited from worshipping together physically, and there will most likely be a lingering fear of being in groups. When we do regather, many of our ministries will reassess how they do ministry. Some people might not miss the physical connection with the place of St. Margaret's, and may stay virtually connected. What is the big thing now?

Here is what I am focused on right now. First off, getting back together safely. The diocese is counseling us currently that the best case would be shortly after Easter. They are also encouraging as much outdoor worship as possible. Once we're able to worship indoors again, we need to be able to reliably livestream those services to those who can't worship safely with us.

Another big thing for this year is replacing our existing organ. This month, the vestry will be brought up to speed on the work of the committee, and we will move ahead. Music is at the heart of our worship. The legacy of excellent music at St. Margaret's will continue into the future, and when it is safe for us to finally draw our breaths, open our mouths and sing our praises to God, we will be joined and supported by an excellent instrument. This effort, like anything musical, will need all of us working together.

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Clergy Notes

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Finally, we have an incredible opportunity to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We can no longer be satisfied with new families moving into the neighborhood, or retired couples settling in Annapolis. Our church, this body of Christ, has much to offer everyone in our area. How can we be more inviting to younger adults? How can we be more inviting to people of color? What are the ways in which we can pivot or even change in this tragic time to be the church God wishes us to be in the future?

To that end, I am incredibly excited about the possibilities for our church over the next few years. We have much to offer, much to be proud of, and a wonderful God to serve. The next big things: livestreaming, our organ and growth will demand our prayers, our energy and our passion. Collectively, we can do it. With God, we can do anything.



A Season of Renewal

By the Rev. Patti Sachs, Associate Rector

Here we go, ushering in a season of renewal! It will involve reflection, repentance (remember metanoia, turning around our hearts and minds and directions?) and finally, new life! Yes, spring will come, even to those of us who have waited through a long winter of Covid, separation and isolation.

You have been faithful to St. Margaret's throughout this weird period of isolation, and we are grateful for your support and love. We are in this together and your presence has been a great balm to all of us.

As we look toward the lengthening of days and the coming season of Lent, begin with an open heart and with expectations of great things to come. God is good! And there is abundance in God's grace and love.

Your staff is busily preparing LOTS of great stuff for you to engage with during the coming seasons of Lent and Easter. Join us for a walk with Mother Mary on Monday nights at 7. Engage the family with the Daily Prayer booklet Laura has assembled for us. Watch the many videos we are producing - Godly Play, Peter and Joan Rich having a great discussion of recent movies for all you film buffs, or maybe our Friday night prayer gathering. There should be something for everyone. Please stay connected. If you know of someone who can't connect or who you know feels a bit left out, please contact Patti at patti@st-margarets.org, and we will get them connected in some way!

This has been a trying year, but together we have stayed strong for one another. We have stayed CHURCH! So, in the weeks to come, stay in touch with us, with your neighbors and especially with the Holy Spirit. Ask the Spirit to guide you to a place of peace, of resolve for justice, and a place of love for Jesus and one another. Blessings on a holy Lent and the Easter season of renewal and rebirth!



Join us for an intentional time of quiet refreshment, meditation and prayer with a Lenten Quiet Day. We will spend two hours being focused on the presence of God - in our lives, in nature, in our midst.

We will start with a liturgy. I will read it on Facebook Live just like the morning videos. Included in that, we will have 15 minutes of quiet meditation. Then, for the next hour and 45 minutes, you will do whatever you have planned (or not), but it should include some time in nature, some time reflecting or meditating and some time in quiet prayer. At the end of your session, come back to Facebook Live to find some closing prayers.

As a reminder, you don't have to be a Facebook member to join us at www.facebook.com/smcannapolis.



Wednesday, February 17
(using safety precautions wear masks)

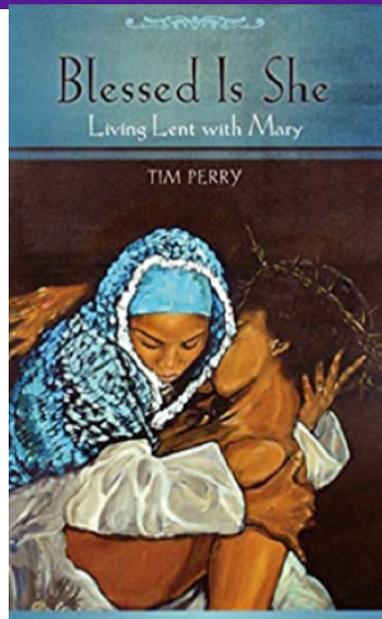
Parishioners

Drive by on Campus
9:30 to 10:00 a.m.
5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Day School Families

Drive by on Campus
8:30 to 9:00 a.m.
12:15 to 12:30 p.m.

Online Service at 7:00 p.m.
on Facebook, YouTube &
www.st-margarets.org



Mondays in Lent
Zoom Book Study
"Blessed Is She:
Living Lent with Mary"
by Tim Perry

7:00 p.m.
Starting February 22

Email patti@st-margarets.org
to participate

Lent Monday Evening Study starts Feb. 22

Join us for a Lenten Zoom Monday evening of study focused on Timothy Perry's book *Blessed is She: Living Lent with Mary*. The book explores what Mary means through the life and death of the crucified and risen Jesus. The study will be held on Zoom on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting Feb. 22. If you wish to participate, please email the Rev. Patti Sachs. A small number of the books are available in the church office. Contact [Patti](mailto:patti@st-margarets.org) to reserve. Otherwise go to Amazon.com.



Lenten 40-Day Prayer Challenge

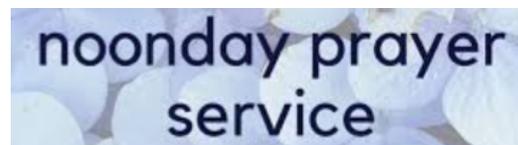
We are offering busy SMC parishioners a simple yet effective way to honor the season of Lent in the time of Covid. We offer you with a 40-day prayer challenge.

Booklets have been created that will encourage participants to commit to offering prayers for a different group or topic each day in Lent. The booklets are available for individuals and for families. They will be available on our Lent 2021 page on our website. Printed booklets will be available in the narthex.



Communion Kits to Go

St. Margaret's will be offering communion kits that parishioners can pick up and take home to **use for the March 7 Sunday service**. The kit will include pre-consecrated bread and wine and will be **available in the narthex for easy pick-up starting March 1**.



Join the Diocese of Maryland for a virtual Noonday Prayer Service at 12 p.m. on Tuesdays from the Cathedral of the Incarnation. It will be a refreshing midday break for soul and spirit.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/EpiscopalMaryland/videos/>
(You don't need to be a Facebook user to view.)

Holy Week

Holy Monday-Wednesday
Morning Prayer with Clergy
10:00 a.m.

Live-streamed on Facebook.com/smcannapolis
shared afterward on YouTube.com/c/saintmargaret
& www.st-margarets.org



Palm Sunday
March 28

Service at 9:00 a.m.
Stop by the narthex to
pick up a palm on
Saturday, April 3



Maundy Thursday
April 1

Service at 7:00 p.m.
Music by
Third Sunday Band.
Pick up a communion kit
in narthex



Good Friday
April 2

Service at 7:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross &
service @ 7 p.m.



Easter Vigil
April 3

Service at 8:00 p.m.



Easter Morning
April 4

Service at 9:00 a.m.

Note: All services will be pre-recorded and
shared online on Facebook, YouTube, and
our website.



Virtual Family Stations of the Cross
Led by Pastors Peter and Patti
Sun. March 21 - April 2

Celebrating the Stations of the Cross that include different sections of the
cruxifixion story can be scary and sad for children. The Revs. Peter and Patti
will review a part of the story each day on video, offering questions and
reflecting on characteristics like courage, kindness, and sacrifice for their own
lives. A daily video will be distributed on our social media channels, and there
will be a Stations of the Cross page on our website. Families are welcome to
watch daily or do the entire story which will be posted on April 2.

An illustration of a white rabbit wearing a red vest, driving a red and yellow truck filled with colorful Easter eggs. Below the truck are several large, colorful Easter eggs.

St. Margaret's Church
Drive-thru Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 3
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Raindate: Sunday, April 4

*All families
with young children
welcome!*

Sponsored by the St. Margaret's
Youth Group and Women's Guild

Will your family be able to find the
special eggs on the Easter Bunny's
list?

If so, you'll receive a bag of treats!

You'll also be able to take a photo with
the Easter Bunny by your vehicle!

Invite your friends and neighbors!

A Nod to Women Composers

By Jim Douglas, Director of Music

Many at St Margaret's are familiar with the music of several living female traditional composers like Eleanor Daley, Rosephanye Powell, Rachel Aarons and Mary Plumstead, having heard our choirs sing their pieces in the last year or so. Daley is a Canadian composer and our adults have sung her pieces "Here, o my Lord" and "My master hath a garden." Powell is a music professor at Auburn University and married to conductor William Powell, under whose baton our adults sang "The Cry of Jeremiah" at Lincoln Center a few years ago.



Aarons is a young Virginia based composer whose music I think flies under the radar. Our youth choristers sang her piece "When morning gilds the skies" last Epiphany and her stirring solo cello/soprano solo "Alas, and did my Savior bleed" will be offered this Lent/Holy Week. Another piece sung last year by our youngest choristers was "A grateful heart" by Plumstead, a 20th century British composer whose music unfortunately became well known after her death.

On the contemporary side, the Third Sunday Band does a wonderful job of programming the music of many prominent living female contemporary composers, including Kristyn Getty (Getty, Getty & Townend), Laura Story and legends like Amy Grant to relative newcomers Audrey Assad. During Advent, Christmas and Epiphany, Story's "Blessings", Grant's "Breath of Heaven", Getty's "Fullness of Grace" and Assad's "Winter's Snow" were offered. Almost every service with the Third Sunday Band features music of living women composers and artists.

For the upcoming Lenten season, new service music composed by living American women composers will be introduced, including a Trisagion (Holy God, Holy and mighty) by Jessica Nelson and a Fraction Anthem (Agnus Dei) by Melissa Dunphy. Nelson is currently Organist and Choirmaster at St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral in Jackson, MS, directs the Mississippi Conference of Church Music and Liturgy, and serves on the Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music. Her current output of church music is small, but accessible to music programs of all sizes. Dunphy is an Australian-American composer based in Philadelphia, and has written choral, chamber, orchestral and electroacoustic music. She is perhaps best known for her "Gonzales Cantata," a work inspired by the Senate Judiciary hearings of former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales in 2005 that was featured on the Rachel Maddow show. [Click here](#) to read more about the work.

Two summers ago I attended a conference for Episcopal organists and choirmasters, and one of the featured workshops was on sacred music composed by women composers. Given the history of church music, particularly music in the Episcopal Church, it was no surprise to hear that the majority has been composed by men, and of the music written by women, little has been programmed. In the time since, many music programs nationwide have dedicated programming more works of female composers, though here at St Margaret's I think we have been doing so all along! So through the remainder of this program year and beyond, be on the lookout for more.



Missions

Grants Program Work in Full Swing

For those of you who aren't familiar with St. Margaret's Endowment Grants program, the effort stems from a substantial gift from late St. Margaret's parishioners Ed and Zoe Hall in the 1990's. The church decided to use the gift for grants to fund missions locally and around the world.

This year's Grants Committee is already hard at work. The members reviewed dozens of grant proposals. Our Grant Liaisons are now making contact and evaluating the applications, making sure they meet our grants program priorities. Organization representatives will be "visiting" St. Margaret's for an interview with the entire committee in March. Final decisions will be made after all the interviews are complete. The Missions Commission and Vestry will approve the slate of recipients, and the winners will be notified in April. Each grant recipient organization will receive a post grant liaison from the church to help them over the next year. The intention is to strengthen the relationship between St. Margaret's and its grant recipients.

Please offer your prayers for members of the Grants Committee this year: Jim Hall, Christine Frost, Kim Morrow, James Hanrahan, Katie Leavy, Jim Reising, Emily Bontempo, Beth Arruda, Sarah Viscardi, Heide Ruegg and Richard Schwappach (chair).

And prayers for our Grant Liaisons: George Tolley, Pat Hall, Kathy Polk, Janet Gellici, Lori Lashgari, Jill Byczek, Fran Becker, Morgan Van Arsdall, Ruth and Grant Harmon, Ray Feldmann, Beth Kopack, Karl Jackson, Jean Aden, Margaret Ziegler, Ann Lallande, Chris Edwards, Casey Pingle, Stephanie Ceruolo, Kate Callahan, Angela Caprita, Jan Little, Rich Engstrom.

We especially thank our Grants Administrator Christine Duray Feldmann for her hard work for this important mission effort at St. Margaret's.

Women's Guild and Club at Collington Square



The St. Margaret's Women's Guild has been providing a variety of donations to the Collington Square club in Baltimore City to meet the needs of the students and families of that community.

From books and study materials to clean wipes and toilet paper, the Guild provides the Club's volunteers with items that support student achievement and family support.

The effort began after Guild member Pat Hall served as a grant liaison to the group asking for an endowment grant.

**Donate to Help
Stop the Spread of COVID-19
in Anne Arundel County**



What to Donate:

- N-95 Respirator Masks
- Surgical Masks (NOT Homemade)
- Clorox Wipes
- Exam Gloves
- Hand Sanitizer
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Tissues
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Trash Bags
- Cleaning Supplies
- Pet Food
- Canned Goods
- Dry Goods
- Baby Supplies
- Juice Boxes
- Snacks for Kids
- Adult Food Supplements
- Hand Soap
- Shampoo
- Body Wash
- Toothpaste & Toothbrush
- Thermometers
- Adult Diapers
- Wet Wipes
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Manual Can Openers

NO PERISHABLE ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

**DROP-OFF DONATIONS IN RIGHTAWAY STORAGE TRAILERS
AT THE FOLLOWING PARKS:**

Quiet Waters Park	600 Quiet Waters Park Rd, Annapolis
Kinder Farm Park	1001 Kinder Farm Park Rd, Millersville
Downs Park	8311 John Downs Loop, Pasadena
Lake Waterford Park	830 Pasadena Rd, Pasadena

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION VISIT: AACOUNTY.ORG/CORONAVIRUS



Parishioner Mission Grants from SMC

The St. Margaret's Missions Commission is centered on supporting organizations and volunteer activities that involve any of these four priorities: (1) Endow the poor and hungry with the means to feed, shelter and clothe themselves; (2) Restore the ill to health and heal the broken; (3) Promote, preserve, and sustain environmental health; and good practices; and (4) Improve access to educational opportunities.

The Missions Commission is actively seeking new projects to financially support with its Parishioner Led Grants Program (<https://www.st-margarets.org/parishioner-project-grants.html>) If you have an outreach project idea, please contact Marti Engstrom, Missions Commission chair or any Missions Commission member via Realm.



A Video Discussion
of this year's offer
with movie fans
the Rev. Peter W. Mayer
and parishioner Joan Rich

Sunday, February 21
7:00 p.m.
on Facebook, YouTube, and
www.st-margarets.org

Have a message
about your favorite?
Email peter@st-margarets.org.

Thursday Morning Book Study

Spring Study:
Peter Gomes' "The Good Book"

"The Bible and the social and moral consequences that derive from its interpretation are all too important to be left in the hands of the pious or the experts, and too significant to be ignored and trivialized by the uninformed and indifferent."

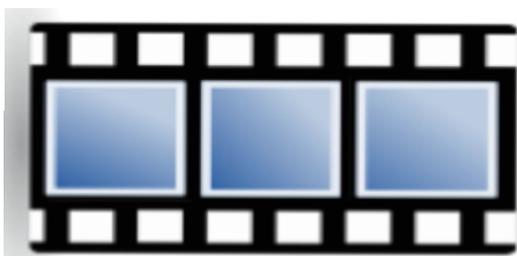
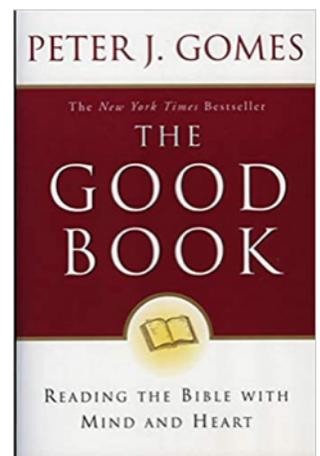
The group meets through Zoom from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Order the book: <https://www.amazon.com/Good-Book-Reading-Bible-Heart/dp/0060088303>

All are welcome to join! Email the Rev. Patti Sachs at patti@st-margarets.org to let her know you wish to be added to this Zoom group.

Current Missions Commission Members are:

Marti Engstrom (Chair),
Barbara Friedmann,
James Hanrahan,
Russell Jackson,
Janice John,
Justyn Kopack,
Helen Patterson,
Casey Pingle,
and Robert Thomas.



Day School

Successes at SMDS to Date

By Tricia McVeigh, Day School Director

Earlier this year we were excited to learn that we have continued our accreditation for the National Association for the Education of the Young Child (NAEYC) accreditation. The school also maintained a MD Excels rating of Level 5-the highest rating available.

The school closed to the COVID pandemic as instructed from March 15, 2020 through August 3rd, 2020. Since then we successfully launched virtual learning through Google classroom, Zoom and Kayambu within a week and all staff worked through their Easter break to make it happen. Virtual learning continued until the end of the school year.

The school applied for and was given a PPP loan for both the school and the church. We applied for and received several grants to help make accommodations and changes necessary for re-opening. We sustained full as allowed by COVID restrictions, which changed again in October. We continued to enroll during the school year.

We have continued to mentor AACC and UMBC fieldwork students. This year it was done virtually through Zoom. We also successfully maintained STEM enrichment to all classes and additional programming to the AM & PM 4's classes. And we maintained a National Wildlife Foundation School Outdoor Habitat certification and a Monarch Watch "Monarch Waystation" certification and activities.

We continue to use our outdoor learning center with plants, planting stations, musical instruments and a discovery table. We have maintained partnerships with outside groups that enhance our curriculum and experiences to include DNR and the Sunfish program to continue our environmental education on the topic of the Chesapeake Bay.

We also became re-certified with MAEOE and added new initiatives to the program to include water bottles, re-usable bags, compostable plates, utensils and napkins to reduce our footprint.

This fall we held our annual food drive for My Brother's Pantry and held first our Annual Fund drive successfully. Finally we provided scholarships to every family that applied.



Registration for the 2020-2021 school year is now open. The 2021 SMDS summer camps registration (for children ages 2-10) has also begun!

Current camp sessions will have limited enrollment due to Covid-19 restrictions. A wait list will be formed. Camp cancellations will need to be made two weeks in advance. If things change before camp begins, the school will be able to open up enrollment and will contact the wait list first.

Parents must register for at least two weeks of camp, but they do not need to be in the same session.

Registration forms and details of camp themes and costs can be found at:

<https://www.stmargaretsdayschool.org/summer-camps.html>.

www.stmargaretsdayschool.org

Youth News for SPRING

By Jeff Conover, Youth Ministries Leader

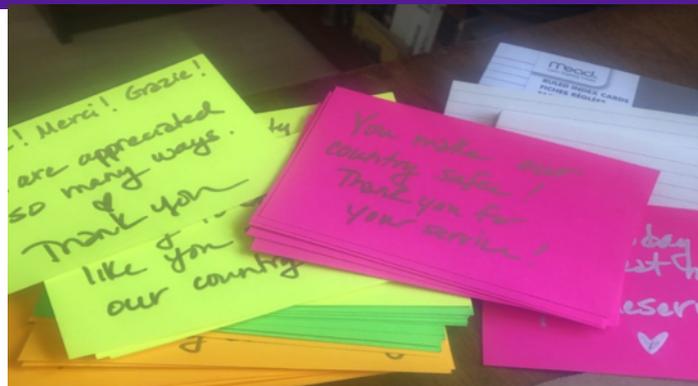
I don't care what the groundhog said last week. In forty days (as of when I am writing this), it will be spring. Mere days after the Spring Equinox, we will celebrate Easter. The twinning of spring and Easter is as old as the Feast Day itself it seems. And why not? Both are about new life, new possibilities.

I can't possibly be the first to see the ramping up of vaccinations against Covid-19 as inextricably linked to the coming of Spring. But it has struck me that there are some metaphorical similarities. In a way, you could say we are in a sort of extended Holy Saturday. Our old world, our old lives, are gone. We are waiting to see what comes from all of the pain and suffering and uncertainty, without the full promise yet of herd immunity. Waiting and wondering. Or perhaps it is more useful to recall the Acts of the Apostles. How did they feel after their lives had been upended by the Crucifixion and the Resurrection? True, they had their hopes and faith in the risen Christ as surely as many of us have our hopes and faith pinned on the vaccines defeating the virus. And yet, that book is filled with questions and uncertainty. What does a world in which the Son of God is killed and brought back to life look like? Feel like? What do these events mean in our daily lives?

Our spring, our "resurrection" is going to feel like a return to old times, and yet things will be irretrievably different. Like the early followers of Jesus returning to their daily chores of life, we may soon return to our old concerns and joys. But, the meaning behind those things will be forever different.

The Youth Group has discussed this idea off and on over the past year. None of us has a crystal ball, but it is worth pondering how things will be different and how they may seem the same. How has the meaning of our daily existence changed? These are concepts we are trying to grapple as we prepare for our youth-led service. What does Easter mean to us this year? Have our recent experiences changed its meaning for us? What is universal and unchanged?

Will we have answers for you? Maybe, hopefully. But I think we are in a place now where the search for the questions may be more important than finding the answers. I hope you will mark your calendar for the 11th of April and see if we spark any questions in you.



Thanks to all parishioners who assisted with the postcard effort for the USS Nimitz. We were shooting for 100 index cards filled with thanks for service, and we actually received 340! The crew (including a Cape St. Claire resident) has been delayed coming home because of Covid.

Youth-led Worship Service

The group continues to focus on their upcoming youth-led Sunday service on April 11 at 9:00 a.m., the Sunday after Easter. Our youth will plan out the music, prayers, sermon, etc. There are plenty of roles for those in front of the camera, as well as those who prefer the more technical aspects.

Pilgrimage 2021?

We got robbed last summer of our service trip & pilgrimage. We are PRAYING that things are back to our normal for this coming summer— (tentatively scheduled for July 12-19).

We are going to be "roughing" it a bit on a private, 24-acre island off the coast of Maine — Southport. It is a delicate environment in a way respectful of God's creation, and some exploration. Two days will be taken up with service. There will be several interesting and important projects. One day will be an off-island day for seeing some of the surrounding areas, and we will use the remaining time for exploration of our island home, fun, reflection and worship.

Youth Weekly Meetings

Fellowship — Middle/High School - Mon., 7pm
 Lesson — Middle School — Wed., 7pm
 Lesson — High School — Thurs, 7:30pm

Assessing, Adjusting, Listening By Kristen Berthelotte, Senior Warden

Greetings, fellow members!

I am so honored to be asked to serve as the next senior warden and thank you for the warm welcome that I have received. I love our SMC community and am energized and enthusiastic as we enter this year.



The greatest challenge of 2021 will also be a great joy: figuring out how to re-gather. Some of us are aching to hug a friend in a pew, pass the peace with a handshake, or take communion at the rail. Others of us have enjoyed the convenience and short commute to “computer church,” as my three daughters call it. Many of us have been able to join “live” meetings for book group, senior sessions, youth group, Sunday school, altar guild and the like in a new dress code with which we are all familiar: “Zoom casual!”

Going forward, we, the church, will continue to do what we have been doing: assessing, adjusting, re-adjusting, and listening. Our leadership aims to listen-- to you, to the Diocese, to the health experts and most of all, to the still small voice of God. We do not know the details yet, but we do know that we will continue to be intentional, flexible, and resilient.

I am proud of our SMC community for weathering this storm so admirably and for remaining committed to showing the love of God through acceptance of others and commitment to service.

For now, we have so many opportunities to connect digitally, and we hope to continue to enhance our worship experience. I look forward to meeting or connecting with each of you soon, over Zoom or otherwise!

Getting to Know You The Wiernickis By Tug Knorr

We welcome Kathy and Peter Wiernicki who've moved their family home to Annapolis after leaving their respective careers in accounting and law.

Kathy grew up in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania in a little town between Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, while Peter hails from Bethesda, MD where his parents settled after WWII.

As the new SMC Treasurer, Kathy, has already “Fleeted Up” to relieve Charlie Lang as our church treasurer. She comes with academic credentials having graduated as Valedictorian of her class at Coughlin High and from the Penn State U's Accounting Honors Program. Kathy brings with her over 35 years of financial expertise, including 23 as a partner at a national public accounting firm. She's previously served on the finance committee of her church and also spent five years on the board, three as treasurer, of a community-based non-profit.

Peter, graduated from Bucknell Univ. and University of Baltimore Law School before becoming a Navy JAG officer. He spent four years in Guam, followed by a long legal career in private practice focused on family building. I might mention that Peter has joined the new Trust and Reparations Task Force at St. Margaret's.

Their adult daughters, Caitlin and Caroline, have already established themselves in the working world, with Caitlin working in development for Meals on Wheels America and Caroline pursuing a PhD in Marine Science at U Delaware, after graduating from Vanderbilt and Duke, respectively.

We've learned that the Wiernicki's are not newcomers to the Annapolis area, having spent time here on a part-time basis since 2011 doing their share of boating on the Bay.

Join me in welcoming the Wiernicki family!



Trust and Reconciliation Work at St. Margaret's

Bishop Sutton has asked all Maryland churches to participate in the Diocese's Trust and Reconciliation work. SMC has formed a committee of interested congregants ready to begin this important work. To learn more visit our diocesan website <https://episcopalmaryland.org/social-justice-and-reconciliation/>

Our new team dedicated to this reconciliation work meets every first Wednesday of the month at 6:45 p.m. through Zoom. If you are ready to begin this journey, please contact parishioner Beth Kopack @ 410-279-5136 or esolchamp@icloud.com.



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2021

In Matthew 22:37-40 we are called to love our neighbors with all our heart, soul, and mind. To truly love our neighbors as ourselves is considered one of the greatest commandments, and it is in these words that we can discover the meeting between justice and love. As we enter the new year, the Maryland Episcopal Public Policy Network (MEPPN) has announced an online advocacy program.

The Diocese encourages all parishioners to sign up to receive action alerts for legislation important to the priorities of the Episcopal Church. The online program also allows you to easily locate and contact your representatives and action alerts will provide you with resources to send in your correspondence with them.

Sign up for Advocacy Alerts

<https://www.congressweb.com/signup/?id=6DEBD525-5056-9255-35315FF98CBDA59A>

SAVE THE DATE: Virtual Episcopal Advocacy Day is March 4th!

<https://youtu.be/v-vbME0Yukl>

Ready to make plans for post COVID travel?

Join a Post COVID Cathedral Crawl in the Spring of 2022! The Revs Allan and Anne Weatherholt, the Rev. Steve McCarty and his wife, Melanie, will lead a nine day trip to England and Scotland, April 28 - May 6, 2022. The trip begins in London with tours of the great Cathedrals, beginning Sunday in Canterbury, then the midlands, including Lincoln, York, Durham and ends in Edinburgh with stops at other sites along the way. Cost is \$3,445, all inclusive, including airfare from Dulles. Sign up now, as space is limited. Arrangements through My Faith Journeys, contact info@myfaithjourneys.com, trip number 22003.

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