

St. Margaret's Church
Annapolis, Maryland

The Spire

Epiphany 2018

Mark your calendar

January 15
MLK Youth Program

January 18 & 19
SMDS Day School
Open House

January 21
Meet the
Vestry Candidates

January 26
Day School
Registration Begins

January 27
Men's Breakfast

January 28
Annual Meeting

February 11
Silent Movie Concert

February 12-19
Winter Relief

February 13
Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Supper

February 14
Ash Wednesday

A Note from the Rector

By The Rev. Peter W. Mayer

Part of our spiritual lives has to be the changing of the seasons—and not the temporal seasons of nature, but the liturgical seasons of the church year. Epiphany turns to Lent, which prepares us for Easter. Pentecost has a number of weeks behind it, before Advent gets us ready for Christmas. And on it goes. At St. Margaret's, we now find ourselves preparing not only for the final weeks of Epiphany, but for Lent and Holy Week and ultimately, Easter.

Music has already been chosen for much of the upcoming season. Anthems, and soloists when needed, have been planned. We are pleased to welcome back our brass musicians for Palm Sunday and Easter Day, and our Bluegrass Mass will take place as always on the first Sunday of June and will feature the Third Sunday Band, along with special guests.

Our interim music director will be Hope Stinson, who has volunteered many times for us as a substitute organist and pianist. Hope will be rehearsing the choirs, playing our services and helping choose proper liturgical music and hymnody, until we hire a permanent music director. A search committee for such a person will be named shortly.

I am grateful to Hope and to all those who have stepped forward to help continue the music at St. Margaret's. The seasons of our lives aren't always as easy and predictable as those of nature or the church, and we certainly have been visited with sadness. But know that we will not stay here. Our music will never go back to ordinary, but it will continue to enliven our worship and transform our lives in new and unimagined ways.



Leadership



Finding Our Paths

By The Rev. Dr. Rhettta Wiley
Interim Asst. Rector

This autumn, the Thursday Morning Bible Study Group began traveling along *The Path: A Journey through the Bible* with all the rigor, depth, and good humor you would expect from the folks at St. Margaret's. We are grateful to have a mix of people who

have had other opportunities for organized Bible study and those who have the fresh insights that come from not having preconceived ideas about the Bible.

Our "textbook" is organized into chronological and thematic chapters, including selections from the Bible itself and questions for reflection. Each week someone different leads us in discussion of a chapter, so that no one point of view dominates. We have dived deep into the creation stories, explored the legends of the ancestors, and examined the complex history of God's people Israel. Sometimes we concentrate on historical context, other times we talk about more personal matters of faith. Conversation is always lively.

One of the things I appreciate about our time together is how honest everyone is about their thoughts on scripture, and how supportive people can be. We wrestle with questions of "what really happened" or "how are we supposed to admire this guy" or "how is this relevant to my life." We engage both frankly and faithfully with our Christian tradition in a way I find deeply enriching. I believe strongly in the power of studying scripture in community. Personal devotion and study are important for spiritual growth, but the returns on communal study are boundless.

During Epiphanytide, we will complete the Old Testament leg of the journey with figures like King Solomon, Isaiah, Daniel, & Nehemiah. Just before Lent, we will start to explore the New Testament, a journey that will take us through Lent and into Easter. Please feel free to join us on this walk. There is always room for more voices at the table.

Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 9:15-10:30 a.m. in Classroom E of the Formation Building. Childcare is provided.

Friends of the Light House

presents

13th Annual GumboFest

Sunday, February 11th

1 P.M. - 4 P.M.

DoubleTree Hotel
Annapolis, MD

A Charity Gumbo Cook-Off
Open to Professional Chefs

\$25 Advanced Tickets

\$30 at the Door

\$10 for Kids 10 and under

www.friendslhs.org/gumbofest

Live Music provided by
local band The Stragglers

<https://friendslhs.org/>





**Day 3 of the Bomb Cyclone –
this seems so long ago ...**
By Anne Sessions, Senior Warden



My life is one big sinus headache from the barometer drop that accompanies a big storm. I consume several Tylenol, close my eyes, and it's time to dust off the car or the sidewalk, again. It's a cruel cycle. But I regale my family with tales of how my pioneering ancestors would brave these temperatures and worse, in wagons or pushcarts on the Great Plains, and I feel much better. There's something cathartic here.

So how can I find catharsis as we muster our good-byes to Music Director James Fitzpatrick? It's just plain upsetting. How did this happen? There is a lodestar that guides St. Margaret's and it's our mission. It's everywhere: signs, Sunday bulletins, sermons. Transforming lives in Christ through worship, formation and giving. Through Vestry's efforts, through our grants program, and formation efforts, through the Tot Spot in the Formation Building lobby, this church seeks to transform in Christ. Our Rector, Peter, has the task of keeping us on track with that mission. He asks me, "Are you seeking to transform in Christ?" He asks you from the pulpit to be responsible to this mission. And when two visions for achieving our mission don't align, there is struggle. For both Peter and James this was a source for frustration, and led to the agreement for the separation.

Today we have a responsibility to unfold that fabric of "many fibers knitted together over three centuries" (from our welcome statement) and wrap it around shoulders that need comfort right now, and reassure them. Our parish has a deep commitment to this community, from the Severn River to the Bay, from Whitehall Creek to the Magothy River, through rich estates and poor schoolyards, it will continue to serve and transform for another 325 years.

Those hardy relatives of mine, who walked beside wagons, and pushed carts, weren't idiots. They had a mission, too. Before they launched, they planned, organized, knitted hats and gloves – but they eventually pushed off toward the unknown. St. Margaret's is organized around her mission. Read the Vestry minutes for reassurance. One look at the Treasurer's reports (<https://www.st-margarets.org/vestry.html>) and you'll see years of careful planning and skilled care to support our mission. We're just a few pieces of knitted headgear away from a great journey. I'll pack the Tylenol, you bring sandwiches, and let's get this company moving.



Annual Meeting

2018 ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 28, 2018
in the Parish Hall

12:15 p.m. potluck lunch—
Last Names A to F bring entrees
Last Names G to N bring desserts
Names O-Z bring side dishes

12:45 p.m. - Meeting begins
Reports from Rector & Senior Warden
Presentation on the 2018 budget

***Child care can be provided if there are enough requests made in advance to elizabeth@st-margarets.org.**

Vestry Election at Annual Meeting

The Vestry is the governing body of St. Margaret's Church. The Vestry of the Church consists of the Rector and thirteen to fourteen members of whom twelve will be lay members chosen from among the Voting Members, with up to two additional Voting Members between the ages of 16 and 22, who will be young adult members of the Vestry. Of the twelve adult lay members, four shall be elected each year and shall serve three-year terms. Young adult members of the Vestry shall be elected for a term of one year. No lay member shall be eligible for re-nomination and re-election to the Vestry for a period of one year after the member's term expires; provided, however, that prior service on the Vestry in filling a vacancy shall not be disqualification for re-election. Vestry candidates are nominated to serve as Vestry members by a Nominating Committee. We thank former member Ernie Tucker for heading the nominations effort.

Any Voting Member may nominate a candidate or candidates for the office of Vestry member by submitting such nomination or nominations to the Clerk at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting. No person's name shall be placed in nomination without the prior consent of that person.

Vestry members are elected at the annual meeting by the Voting Members present. Those voting are communicants in good standing — a member of the Church over the age of 16 years who has received Holy Communion in the Church at least three times in the preceding year, and who for the preceding year has been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented. Voting by proxy or voting earlier is not permitted. Those receiving the highest number of votes for the vacancies to be filled shall be deemed elected. If there be a tie vote for the last of the vacancies, the tie shall be resolved by another ballot for the tied candidates; if there is then another tie, it shall be resolved by lot.

Vestry Candidates 2018



Phil Graham

A long-time parishioner, Phil Graham serves as the current chair of St. Margaret's Building & Grounds Committee (was also in the past) and belongs to the parish's Brotherhood of St. Andrew men's group (served as President). He also serves as an usher at the 11:15 a.m. services and has served on our vestry before. He serves as President of his local home inspection company Abodes Well and lives on the Broadneck peninsula with his wife Janice and their family. Phil is also an avid sailor and Navy athletics supporter. His priorities include addressing the challenges of an aging campus and supporting missions efforts.

Rex Pingle

Rex and his wife Casey have been attending St. Margaret's since 2013. He served in the Army and has worked in banking in Baltimore, New York, Hong Kong and at the World Bank in Washington, and now heads a firm in Annapolis focused on raising private sector investment to fund infrastructure and businesses in developing countries. He serves as a Lector, and is active with social justice missions groups at St. Margaret's. His priorities include enhancing missions, finance, and music efforts here at St. Margaret's.



Sarah Westcott

Sarah and her husband Paul and son Will moved to Annapolis and joined St. Margaret's Church a couple of years ago. Since then, her daughter Grace was born and baptized here, and Sarah began leading the Thursday morning bible study and helps with the Tot Spot on Sundays. Before Will was born, Sarah worked in the finance field. She feels blessed by and hopes to support formation, missions, and music programs as a Vestry member (as her dad did when she was growing up).

Brian Williams

Brian was born in Annapolis and raised in Severna Park, where his family attended Woods Presbyterian Church (but he now feels at home at St. Margaret's). He attended Wake Forest University for undergraduate and graduate studies, where he met his wife Holly, a physician. At St. Margarets, he has been involved on the long-term planning, the buildings and grounds, and technology committees; foyers; and winter relief. He's now a software engineer and a new Dad to his "endlessly entertaining" 9-month old, Hadley.



A more in-depth handout on these candidates will be provided online and in hard copy next week. Any Voting Member may nominate a candidate or candidates for the office of Vestry by submitting such nomination or nominations to the Clerk at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting. No person's name shall be placed in nomination without the prior consent of that person.

Missions

Citizenship Class

By Christine Duray Feldmann, Missions Commission Chair

In an effort to support non-native county residents, seven St. Margaret's parishioners and friends will begin teaching citizenship classes to new immigrants in mid-January at the Center of Help/ Centro de ayuda in Annapolis.

The group, led by Joanna Tillman, includes parishioners Kate Callahan, Beth Arruda, Ann Lallande, Cindy Farris, Morgan Van Arsdall and Richard Schwappach. The 12-week long course is designed to teach basic civics to students, reinforce and advance English language reading and speaking, and help them prepare and study for the 100-question citizenship test and interview.

To better support the students, the group raised \$400 to purchase new textbooks and the Missions Commission contributed \$175 as well.

The partnership builds on an already existing relationship with the Center of Help. St. Margaret's has provided endowment grant funding for the organization in the past.

For more information on the program, contact Joanna Tillman at joannatillman@gmail.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our church is currently mentoring two Iraqi families, one of whom is one of the last families that came through World Relief Anne Arundel before they had to close last May.

The Episcopal Church is committed to welcoming the stranger and advocating for a humane and proportional immigration system. For more than a century The Episcopal Church has been engaged in the ministry of welcoming immigrants, walking with them as they begin their new lives in our communities and advocating for immigration policies that protect families from separation, offer meaningful access to citizenship, and respect the dignity of every human being.

**Faith &
Fellowship**

**SMC Missions Commission
Refugee/Immigrant Support Group *presents*
Mondays - 6:45 p.m. - Formation Building**

January 29 - Steve Bergbauer, the International Rescue Committee's Community Engagement Coordinator, will explain how the committee responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises and helps people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover, and gain control of their future.

February 5 - Brenda Wintrode and Suzanne Conti Martin, both citizen activists with the Annapolis Immigration Justice Network, will be speaking about state and local issues related to refugees and immigrants and how we can get involved in advocacy for those issues.



Winter Relief @ St. Margaret's - February 12-19

Over 100 volunteers are needed for everything from set up and clean up to transportation to meals preparation, hosting, and laundry duty. To sign up to volunteer, go to the church website (www.st-margarets.org), find the Outreach column in the middle and click on the sign-up link. You can also sign up during coffeeshour on Sunday mornings. Just look for the winter relief table.

For several years St. Margaret's has joined with 70 churches and synagogues in Anne Arundel County to provide shelter from the cold for homeless individuals. Many of our guests work full- or part-time, but cannot find affordable housing in our county. This has become a national challenge, especially in large metropolitan areas.

In response, churches in the area have begun a new mission to help underserved people find stable housing by assisting with their security deposits for rental housing. Secure housing has been identified by social service agencies as the key to stabilizing the lives of homeless and underserved individuals and families. We are now working with case workers at six local government agencies and non-profits to identify individuals and families most likely to be successful if helped in this manner. We solicited applications for security deposit assistance in December and will announce our initial grants in early 2018. St. Margaret's is participating through our grants program and will be asked, along with all churches involved, to budget up to \$1,000 annually to support this effort. Our success in helping these homeless individuals and families depends entirely on our collective ability and willingness to make sustainable funding available.

In January, we are inviting all 70 churches to join us at our Monday evening adult education program to hear what our county and state are doing about the problem of affordable housing.

If you are interested in this growing problem and wish to learn more about the challenges and opportunities to help, please plan to attend this session and invite your neighbors and friends.

On January 22, Kathy Koch, Executive Director of Arundel Community Development Services, will discuss the challenges of affordable housing and county programs to address the problem. Beth Brush, also with ACDS, will discuss the county's Continuum of Care, a program designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. John Maneval, Deputy Director for the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development also will discuss affordable housing in Maryland.

If you need further information, please contact Harry Caldwell at hbcaldwell@comcast.net or by cell at 443-926-1439.

Lent Study

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119:105

Join St. Margaret's parishioners as we explore the entire story of Jesus' life as told by Saint Luke and to read about the earliest Christians, their encounters with the Holy Spirit, and their passion for sharing the Good News of the Resurrection or Jesus Christ.



THE
GOOD BOOK
CLUB

Sign up to learn more at GoodBookClub.org

St. Margaret's is pleased to join The Good Book Club, a church-wide program that invites all Episcopalians to read Luke and Acts during Lent-Easter 2018. Participants in The Good Book Club will begin reading Luke the Sunday before Lent, Feb. 11, 2018, and finish up the Book of Acts on the Day of Pentecost, May 20, 2018.

"We are thrilled to invite thousands and thousands of people to enter the great narrative of Luke and Acts," said the Rev. Scott Gunn, executive director of Forward Movement, the project initiator. "As people open their hearts and their minds to scripture, transformation follows. The Good Book Club could change thousands of lives, and, indeed, our whole church."

Why Luke and Acts?

We love sequels, and Luke-Acts provides a wonderful two-part narrative. Luke tells the wondrous story of Jesus' birth, ministry, teaching, death, and resurrection. Acts picks up where Luke leaves off and tells the story of the earliest disciples through the lens of Peter and Paul and the real star of the show — the Holy Spirit. Written by the same author, the books are accessible, and the story is a page-turner!

How will it work?

Daily readings will be assigned in a printed handout available in the narthex or church office and online on the church website. The Rev. Peter Mayer will conduct weekly videos with various groups of St. Margaret's parishioners to work through the readings and discussion questions. These videos will be posted on the church's Facebook accounts, Twitter account, and YouTube Channel to further reflection and study.

So, get your favorite bible, and schedule some reading time as we all, as a church family, re-discover the power of scripture with an open heart, grow in faith, and experience transformation through the sacred stories of Christ.



**Donations Needed: Jan. 28-Feb.4
Lunchmaking on Sun., Feb. 11
after Sunday School
in Fellowship Hall**

Once again, our children and youth Sunday School classes will make lunches for our Winter Relief guests. In order to make this a successful event, we will need the help of ALL Sunday school classes. Each class will have a donation box outside their classroom.

Please plan on donating the following items:

Godly Play Preschool—

boxes of granola bars

Godly Play K-1—

loaves of whole or honey wheat bread

2 and 3 Grade—

lunch size packages of fruit cups

4 and 5 Grade—

lunch size packages of chips

Youth (Middle School and High School)—

packages of lunch meat.

Items can be dropped off in front of each classroom on January 28 and February 5. Lunch will be made immediately following Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 11. Adult volunteers to set up, monitor and clean up the lunch making.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Martin Luther King Jr. March January 15
Broadneck Ecumenical Youth Event**

On Monday, Jan. 15, youth in grades 6-12 from across the Broadneck peninsula are joining together for a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. It will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Broadneck Baptist Church and end at 2 p.m. at Cape St. Claire United Methodist Church. Bring \$5 for pizza. This is a terrific opportunity for St. Margaret's youth to interact with our neighbors while performing service in their community. Friends are welcome!

**Bishops Unplugged: Southern MD
March 3 (grades 6-12)**

Saturday 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Cost: \$5

@ St. Margaret's

Spend the afternoon with both bishops in fellowship and fun! Hosted in part by St. Margaret's, this event is a re-vamp of the diocesan's annual Bishop's Bash. Our youth will gather for a few hours of music, Bible study, and time to talk with our bishops with youth from the region.

NightWatch NYC

March 16-17 (grades 6-12)

Friday leaving Maryland at noon

Saturday return @ 5 p.m.

Cost: \$95 (Scholarships available!)

Nightwatch Crossroads is a Friday evening and overnight spiritual retreat for middle and high school age students, youth groups and their adult chaperones. Your group will have the opportunity to unplug from the distractions and stresses of daily life to connect with God and one another in the sacred space of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Nightwatch has created a safe, spirit-centered program of joyful fellowship, contemplative-contemporary spiritual direction, devotional singing, and lots of fun activities. And the next day we explore some of the sights of the Big Apple!

Contact Jeff@st-margarets.org for more info!

Faith & Fellowship Monday Nights

- 5:00 - Spirit Singer/Chorale Rehearsal (Classroom C)
- 5:00 - Arts and Crafts (Parish Hall)
- 5:30 - Acolyte Practice (Church)
- 6:00 - Fellowship Dinner (Parish Hall)
- 6:45 - Adult Formation Session (Fellowship Hall/Classroom)
- 6:45 - Motet Ensemble Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Help is needed for meal preparation & clean-up

Fellowship Meal Donations Accepted
at the door and on the church website

Suggested donations for F&F
\$5 per adult
\$3 per child
\$15 Max per Family

Pay for the remainder of the year and save!
\$100 per family (Jan-June)
\$50 per adult (Jan-June)
\$30 per youth (Jan-June)

No Faith & Fellowship on Jan. 15 or Feb. 19.

ADULT *Faith* FORMATION

**Mondays - 6:45 p.m.
Formation Building**

January 22 -

Kathy Koch, Executive Director of Arundel Community Development Services (ACDS) will now speak jointly with **John Manevel**, Deputy Director of the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development on the challenges and opportunities for affordable housing in Anne Arundel County and the State of Maryland.

January 29 & February 5 -

Brenda Wintrode and Suzanne Conti Martin are both citizen activists with the Annapolis Immigration Justice Network. They will be speaking about state and local issues related to refugees and immigrants and how we can get involved in advocacy for those issues.



BECOME AN ACOLYTE!

When you serve God by being an acolyte, you are doing more than carrying a flame to the altar candles. You are symbolically bringing the light of Christ's spirit into the worship service. Many acolytes believe they are filled with a sense of spiritual meaning and fulfillment. Participants make new friends, have fun, and through their commitment grow in service to our church.

Acolytes are walked through their roles on Monday nights before the Sunday service.

For more information, contact the Rev. Peter W. Mayer at peter@st-margarets.org or call the church office.



Upcoming Holy Baptism Dates:

February 11

March 31 *April 8 * May 20

Go to www.st-margarets.org.

Click on "About Us" tab at top.

Click on "Baptisms"

Happy New Year from the Day School!

By Tricia McVeigh, Day School Director

December was an exciting month here with our holiday celebrations and annual Christmas Pageant.

Our Christmas mission project included collecting supplies for the Linda's Legacy program that provides backpacks for the area's homeless for Christmas. We thank all of the St. Margaret's parishioners who helped us with this effort.

This month we celebrate the New Year with our own resolutions and learn about the Chinese New Year, dental hygiene, and Martin Luther King, Jr. We also hold our annual Breakfast with Dads program and the dads participate in a cornhole tournament at the church as a social event this month.

In February, we will celebrate Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, and the 100th day of school.

Open house visit dates are January 18 and 19 from 9:15-11:15 a.m. Come and visit us!

We will begin taking new family registrations for fall 2018 on January 26 starting at 7 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE:

The annual SMDS PTO-sponsored Silent Auction will be March 10. Look for more information in church Sunday announcements and the next Spire.



June 11th - August 10th

Themes: Sea Adventures, Mad Scientist, Legos, and Pirates

Registration available at www.stmargaretsdayschool.org.



Halloween 2017



Moms' Paint Night



Christmas Pageant



Upcoming Events



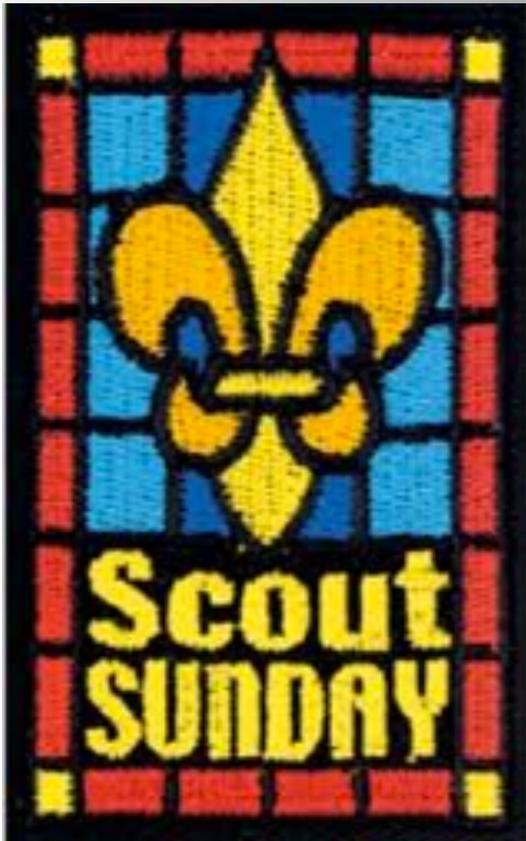
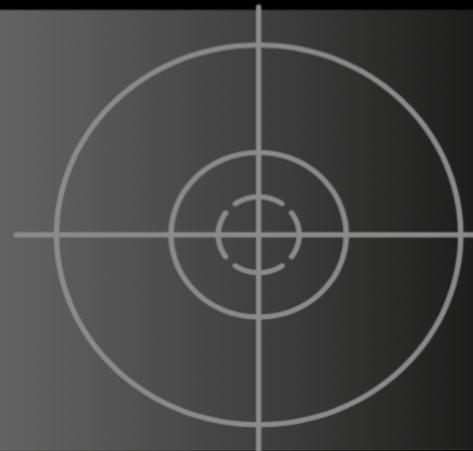
St. Margaret's Day School Silent Auction 2018

Have season tickets?
...a vacation home?
...a business?

Consider making a donation.
Contact Jennifer Albanese at
270-559-7890

SHAKEN NOT STIRRED

St. Margaret's Day School Casino Royale Silent Auction
Saturday, March 10, 2018 at "007" pm in Parish Hall
Tickets \$50 www.stmargaretdayschool.org



**Sunday,
February 4**



Boy and Girl Scouts
are welcome to
attend the 9:00 &
11:15 a.m. services

Wear your uniform,
assist ushers and
be proudly
recognized



**Michael Britt Returns!
Silent Movie Concert
Feb. 11, 4 p.m.**



Enjoy the merriment of
a silent movie comedy classic
with musical accompaniment

A Family Favorite at SMC!

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Sponsored by the
Brotherhood of St. Andrew
Saturday, January 27
Riverbay Roadhouse
9 a.m.

All men in the parish welcome!

Please contact Tug Knorr
at 410-757-4549 or tugknorr@aol.com
if you plan to come.

BISHOPS



Saturday, March 3
2 - 5 p.m. @ St. Margaret's
For youth grades 6-12

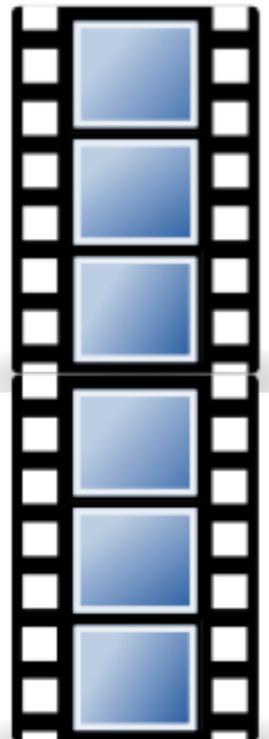
Episcopal youth from the Southern Maryland area will spend the afternoon with both MD bishops in fellowship and fun!

Hosted in part by St. Margaret's, the event is a revamp of the diocesan annual Bishop's Bash. Participants will gather for a few hours of music, Bible study, and time to talk with our bishops.



Faith & Film

Washington Post Movie Reviewer
Ann Hornaday
Sunday, February 25
10:15 a.m. - Fellowship Hall



Upcoming Events



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, Feb. 13

4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Parish Hall

sponsored by The Brotherhood of St. Andrew

\$5 for adults - \$3 for children at the door

Tickets in advance (sold between services)

\$4 for adults - \$2.50 for children

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 14

Services at

7:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.



Annual Lenten Soup Luncheon

Sponsored by
St. Margaret's Guild

Wednesday,
March 7

12 p.m. Prayer service
Lunch follows in
Fellowship Hall

*A monthly program with the Rector and
parishioners aged 65+*

Senior Sessions

10 a.m. - Classroom E

February 6

March 6

April 3

May 1

June 5

FREE ADMISSION

Winter Coffeehouse with Third Sunday Band



Saturday,
February 24

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
Music starts @ 7 p.m.

Have a request?
Contact Al Todd - hydroman1037@gmail.com

Baltimore Ceasefire Peace and Healing Prayer Walk

Feb. 3, 10 a.m.-Noon, St. James, Lafayette Square.

Join Canon Scott Slater on a walk through west Baltimore, stopping to pray at places touched by violence.

The walk begins and ends at St. James.

Contact Canon Scott Slater, sslater@episcopalmaryland.org for more information.



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF MARYLAND

"God's Transforming Love: Learning to Forgive" a one day Lenten retreat

led by Bishop Eugene Taylor Sutton and Mabeth Hudson, founder, Well for the Journey.

It begins at **8:30 a.m. Sat., Feb. 17, at St. Paul's, Prince Frederick.** In this retreat you'll discover how the experience of God's love can free you to forgive others and forgive yourself. You'll learn how contemplative prayer can release the shame and guilt that we direct toward ourselves and to those who've hurt us. [Go to http://bit.ly/2Ev4HdW](http://bit.ly/2Ev4HdW) for more information.

Pilgrimage to Spain June 13-22, 2018. Led by Canon Scott Slater, this pilgrimage will follow the route of the Camino de Santiago. Cost is \$2500 plus travel to and from Spain. The pilgrimage is open to anyone. To hold a space, send a \$500 deposit to "Diocese of Maryland," memo: Camino pilgrimage. Contact Canon Slater (sslater@EpiscopalMaryland.org) for further details.

Holy Land "Christmas" January 2-14, 2019. Join Bishop Sutton and long-time tour guide, Iyad Qumri, on a pilgrimage to Galilee, Jerusalem, and Bethlehem for Orthodox Christmas on January 6. Pilgrims stay at St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem and a guest house in Nazareth's old city. (Ability to navigate cobblestones and steps is a must!).

Contact the Rev. Anne Weatherholt, rector@stmarkslappans.org.

Episcopal Advocacy Day in Annapolis

Feb. 15, 8:30 a.m., Miller Senate Office Building, President's Conference Center, West I & II reception room.

(The Miller Senate Building is located at 11 Bladen Street, in Annapolis.)

Issues to be discussed include: advocacy training, bail reform, higher education, environmental issues, prescription drug affordability, status of education funding, juvenile justice issues, and much more! Participants are also encouraged to attend the Senate and House proceedings, visit their legislators, and attend hearings on various issues.

The event is free to attend, but please register with the link here:

<https://www3.thedatabank.com/dpg/543/personal2.asp?formid=Events&c=7510729> and remember to bring your photo ID to enter buildings.

Contact: The Rev. Kathy Shahinian, 443-253-6191, to register.



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Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m.

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