



Newcomers Welcome!

If you are new to St. Margaret's, we offer a special welcome. Our parish is very dynamic where service is a priority, where you can question your own faith journey, and where everyone is welcome to receive communion. If you would like to know more about our church, please contact us by emailing our Rector Peter W. Mayer at peter@st-margarets.org.

Office/Service Changes

Due to the high rates of Covid-19 related cases, St. Margaret's will not conduct in-person worship services for the foreseeable future. Should you wish to communicate with a staff member, please email them. If you need to get into the office, please make an appointment with staff. As a reminder, masks are required when on campus.

Communion Kits to go

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

Social Justice and Reconciliation

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 to begin this important work. The committee meets once a month on the first Wednesday evening of the month at 6:45 p.m. through Zoom. To learn more about the topic, visit our diocesan website at <https://episcopalmaryland.org/social-justice-and-reconciliation/>. If you are ready to begin this journey, please contact parishioner Beth Kopack @ 410-279-5136 or at esolchamp@icloud.com.

Lent 2021

Lent Monday Evening Study

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 the mother Mary means through the life and death of the crucified and risen Jesus. The study is held on Zoom on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. If you wish to participate, please email the Rev. Patti Sachs at patti@st-margarets.org.

Lenten Prayer Challenge Booklets

We are offering busy SMC parishioners a simple yet effective way to honor the season of Lent in the time of Covid. A **40-Day Challenge for Lent** has begun. Booklets have been created that will encourage participants to commit to offering prayers for a different group or topic each day in Lent. There will be booklets for individuals and for families. Whether it is during breakfast or dinner or bedtime, the booklet will have a prayer for every day (and illustrations for children to complete). Booklets are now loaded on the [Lent page of the church website](#) and in print form in the narthex and church office.

Lenten Quiet Day

Join the Rev. Patti Sachs for an intentional time of quiet refreshment, meditation and prayer on **Friday, March 12, at 10 a.m.** The beginning and ending will be on our Facebook public page – reminder that you don't need to be a FB member to join (www.facebook.com/smcannapolis). Participants will spend two hours being focused on the presence of God - in their lives, in nature, in their midst. To really focus on God, participants will need to remove themselves from as many distractions as able. For more information, go to our website (www.st-margarets.org) and click on the Lent 2021 tab at the top.

Covid-19 Vaccinations

To learn about how the country is following guidelines and implementing the process, go to: <https://ahealth.org/covidvaccines/>.

Donations Needed for Local Pantries

*[My Brother's Pantry](#) – serving those hungry on the Broadneck peninsula

*[West Annapolis Pop Up Pantry](#) – serving families in need of food in Annapolis with drive-thru every Thursday

*[Anne Arundel County Food Bank](#) – Feeding Anne Arundel County residents living below the poverty line

Order Easter Lilies

If you would like to order Easter lilies to decorate the front altar of the church for Easter services in honor or in memory of loved ones, please choose from the following options:

*Fill out the Easter Lilies Form in Dragon Tales and send in a check to the office;

*Pay by credit card on Realm. Once in the giving section, choose the Flower Fund option and email Laura@st-margarets.org to provide your donation information; or

*Send in the donation by text: GIVESMC to 73256.

Orders due by March 28. Cost is \$35. Donations will be noted in the Easter bulletin.

MD Episcopal Public Policy Network

As we enter the new year, the Maryland Episcopal Public Policy Network (MEPPN) is excited to announce an online advocacy program to allow Episcopalians to become active participants this legislative session.

SAVE THE DATE: Virtual Episcopal Advocacy Day is March 4th! For more information, go to

<https://marylandepiscopalian.org/2021/01/19/join-us-in-advocacy-for-the-2021-maryland-legislative-session/>.

Celtic Service on March 21

Mark your calendars to view our Annual Celtic Service with the Third Sunday Band **on Sunday, March 21 at 9:00 a.m.** The liturgy and music will be drawn from the liturgical traditions of early Celtic Christians from Ireland and the Isle of Iona, off the coast of Scotland.

Holy Week 2021

Palm Sunday – Sunday, March 28 – Pick up palms in the narthex on Saturday, March 27

Holy Week Morning Service – Mon-Wed., March 29-31 – 8:00 a.m. on www.facebook.com/smcannapolis

Maunder Thursday Service – April 1 – 7:00 p.m. – with music by Third Sunday Band

Stations of the Cross for Families – Friday, April 2 – The story of Christ's crucifixion made for children with readings by St. Margaret's youth – offered on social media channels and SMC website

Good Friday Service – Friday, April 2 – 7:00 p.m. – posted on our Facebook, YouTube, and website pages

Drive-thru Easter Egg Hunt -- assisted by our youth and sponsored by the St. Margaret's Women's Guild – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on campus – welcome to all families

The Great Vigil of Easter – Saturday, April 3 – 8:00 p.m. -- a liturgy for the first official celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus

Easter Morning – 9:00 a.m. on all SMC social media channels

Prayers of the People

Pray for: Jane, Charlie and Nancy, Suzie, Joe, Jan, Amanda, Gerry, Jim, Vanessa, Gibby, Gerrett, Michael, Aimee, Rosalie, Dorothy, Jerry, Olga, Nancy White, Ruth, Marcia Bird, David, Eric Wilde, Michael, Patricia, Jonah, Kristin and Ben Reynolds, Toby, Sierra, Nell, Terry, Ted, Catherine & Brad, Kathy.

For those who have died: Bill Rigoli, Imani Sawyerr.

To request someone be put on the prayer list, you can fill out the [prayer request form on our website](#) or email/call the Rev. Peter W. Mayer (peter@st-margarets.org) or the Rev. Patti Sachs (patti@st-margarets.org). As a reminder, if you have a pastoral **emergency** and need to reach clergy, call 443-837-5463.

NOTE: Contact Elizabeth (Elizabeth@st-margarets.org) or Teresa McCorkle (office@st-margarets.org) if you need help with accessing your 2020 giving information on Realm.

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