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St. Margaret's Church Announcements for January 23, 2022

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Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thursday - Friday by appointment only

Deadlines

Dragon Tales - Monday afternoon
Sunday announcements -- Wednesday morning

Sunday Services

7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday Eucharist

9:00 a.m.



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www.youtube.com/c/saintmargaret

Welcome to St. Margaret's Church

To all newcomers, we offer an especially warm welcome. We are a church that meets you wherever you are on your faith journey; we believe that faith formation is a lifelong process; we offer meaningful outreach efforts that transform lives; and we offer communion to everyone. For more information, take a yellow newcomers bag in the narthex as you leave the church.

Safety Protocol at St. Margaret's

We require all parishioners and guests to wear facemasks indoors. We ask that you be seated with social distancing in mind. We offer hand sanitizer and masks throughout our campus.

Nursery Care

Loving professionals are available to care for children ages 0-3 in our nursery located in the annex building (downstairs) next to the sanctuary. Children's Chapel and Sunday School will be held this morning at the regular times.

Annual Meeting TODAY

Our annual parish-wide meeting will be held next Sunday, **January 23 at 1 p.m. on Zoom**. An email with the links to the presentation information was put in Wednesday's Dragon Tales. The agenda will include a review of 2021 and a look at what is happening for 2022. We will also be reviewing the 2021 budget and voting on revised bylaws (A draft is on our website under "About Us.") Five new Vestry candidates will be voted on as well. The Vestry candidates' bios; the draft of last year's meeting minutes; and a draft of the revised by-laws were distributed in Dragon Tales this week and through Realm yesterday. Look for it in your email.

Winter Relief Volunteer Sign-ups

Our winter relief volunteer online sign-up has been posted. Look for the link on the homepage of our website (www.st-margarets.org) or look for Judy Hall in the back of the church after the 9:00 & 11:15 services to sign up volunteers. Winter Relief at St. Margaret's will be held Feb. 28-March 7. Note that all guests will be vaccinated, including the booster, and tested before coming to the campus.

Grants Program Gearing Up for 2022

Applications have been submitted for the church's Endowment Grants program for 2022. Volunteers are needed to review and evaluate specific groups for the Grants Committee. If you would like to be a part of this important missions initiative as a grant liaison, please contact Grants Administrator Christine Feldmann at missions@st-margarets.org.

Volunteers Needed for Afghan Refugee Support

St. Margaret's is working with non-profits and other churches to help our new Afghan neighbors. Volunteers are needed to sign up for just two hours per day at BWI hotels alongside a multi-lingual Luminous staff member to deliver donated items and take down needs. Separately, men are needed to offer friendship and mentoring to single Afghans men. Please reach out to JaniceJohnrg@gmail.com or 443-871-2308 for more information. Bikes, PCs, dressers and more are needed as well.

Michael Britt Returns to St. Margaret's

Recognized theater organist Michael Britt will be returning to St. Margaret's for another classic silent film concert on Sunday, February 6 at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. The hilarious silent film will be "The Freshman" featuring Harry Lloyd.

Senior Sessions Resumes

Every second and fourth Tuesday of the month, our seniors aged 65+ are welcome to join clergy through Zoom at 9 a.m. to discuss the week's Gospel lesson and participants' joys and challenges. To participate and receive the Zoom link, email the Rev. Peter W. Mayer at peter@st-margarets.org. Next meeting is Jan. 25.

Thursday Morning Book Club

Our Thursday Morning book club meets every Thursday at 9 a.m. on Zoom. The group, made up of all ages, studies various books throughout the year. All are welcome. To get the Zoom link, contact Pat Hall at psball1@verizon.net.

Giving Statements for 2021

For those of you already thinking about your taxes, St. Margaret's will close the books on our financial year by January 21, 2022. You can access now access your up to date statements on REALM. We will send out electronic statements for those on Realm and printed statements for those not on Realm or for those who request a mailed statement. If you would like your statement mailed to you, please email Elizabeth Radley or Teresa McCorkle (elizabeth@st-margarets.org or office@st-margarets.org).

Prayer List

For your prayers: Suzie Clifton, Charley and Nancy, Amanda, Vanessa, Teresa, Jennifer, Michael C., Dawn, John, Gail.

For those who have died: Lonnie Overton.

To make an automated prayer request, go to our website at www.st-margarets.org and click on the prayer request button at the bottom under Quick Links. For pastoral emergencies only, call 443-837-5463.

A note on Prayer Requests -- We often remove prayer list names that have been on for a longer period of time. If a name has been taken off and you still want them on the list, email info@st-margarets.org.

St. Margaret's Day School Information

Our Day School has been recognized and certified by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, as well as been named a Maryland Green School. The school offers a vigorous curriculum including special opportunities in Spanish, physical education skills, music, and chapel. Here are some dates to remember:

New Family Registration
begins January 28th

Summer Camp Registration
is now open at www.stmargaretsdayschool.org.

Spring Bazaar Participation

The Women's Guild will be offering a Spring Bazaar on Saturday, April 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vendors and crafters are welcome to contact Judy Hall at judy.hall0404@gmail.com if they wish to participate. Proceeds go to the Guild's various missions efforts.

Claggett Center Programs

The Women's Weekend has been postponed to February 25-27. Spaces are still available. The annual Men's Retreat is still open for February 11-13. Go to www.claggettcenter.org.

Stewardship Note from the Rev. Peter

As Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 12:12-31, the mystical body of Jesus Christ is a unity of interdependent members. We depend on the presence of every member of our community. And we depend on the diversity of gifts that each member brings to reflect God's kingdom. Only when all of our unique gifts are offered do we journey forward together in transformational ministries.

Through your support and through the abundant leadership of our many members, we connect people within our church, within our neighborhood—and indeed around the globe—more deeply to each other and more deeply to God.

We read to "strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you still a more excellent way" (1 Cor 12:31). Our ministries in the church serve only a narrow path through God's kingdom if they are not wholly supported by each member. As you consider your commitments of work, wealth and wisdom, do strive for the greater gifts, so that the many neighbors and members of our church will walk a more excellent way together—connected in the kingdom.

Julie Simonton, Executive Director, Palisades Hub, Washington, DC