

SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS, CONT.

Annapolis AGO Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

5:00 p.m.

U.S. Naval Academy Chapel

Did you know that Annapolis is home to one of the world's largest pipe organs?! Sponsored by the Annapolis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, adults and youth ages 8-18 who play the keyboard are invited to participate in this informal event and play the Naval Academy Chapel organ. Contact Jim Douglas at music@st-margarets.org for more information and registration details.



Chorister Evensongs

All are welcome to our informal evening services led by the St. Margaret's Choristers on the last Monday of the month at 5:45 p.m., followed by dinner in the Parish Hall.

January 27
February 24

March 31
April 28

ABOUT OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry at St. Margaret's Church exists to musically lead, inspire, and transform people in the worship and praise of God.

Our music ministry presently consists of an adult choir, a handbell ensemble, a graded chorister program for children and youth, a contemporary music ensemble, and a Compline Schola, among other programs. Unique to St. Margaret's is that our music is led by a different ensemble each Sunday morning during the program year while maintaining the same liturgy structure.

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New for this program year are weekday evening services on the last Monday of the month, led by our younger choristers during their regular rehearsal time. Check the parish and music calendars for exact dates and times.

Other programming includes our Junior Organ Scholar Program, which lets children assist the Director of Music at the organ on select Sundays and provides a unique chance to engage in and experience worship. Our Visiting Youth Choir Initiative allows for collaboration and community building with accomplished local youth choirs from the region. For our youngest parishioners, Children's Chapel Music is taught by trained parishioner musicians during Sunday morning Children's Chapel throughout the year, with selections offered to the congregation during youth-led worship services.

Anyone who loves to sing or play an instrument and wishes to be a part of the vibrant musical life of St. Margaret's is encouraged to share their talents with us. **Membership in all of our choirs and ensembles is open to all, regardless of religious affiliation or background.** Please reach out to Jim Douglas, Director of Music, at music@st-margarets.org to find out more.

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Please visit our church website to view our music webpages and music calendar:

<https://www.st-margarets.org/music-overview.html>

<https://www.st-margarets.org/music-calendar.html>

MUSIC AT ST. MARGARET'S



SPECIAL MUSIC EVENTS WINTER/SPRING 2025



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Dear Friends,

St. Margaret's Church is blessed with a vibrant intergenerational music ministry with something for everyone. Our worship experience is enriched by the musical offerings of our many ensembles and musicians who volunteer their time and talent with us. If you love music and wish to be a part of the musical fabric of our church, you are encouraged to share your talents. **Membership in any ensemble is open to all, regardless of religious affiliation or background.** All that is required is committing to the schedule and having a love for music!

Music at St. Margaret's is our annual series of concerts, recitals, workshops, and other special music events offered to the parish and wider community. Recent highlights have included workshops offered by the Royal School of Church Music in America and Music that Makes Community, and concerts and liturgical offerings featuring such groups as the Peabody Ragtime Ensemble, Ensemble Lafayette, Ensemble Galilei, and St. Margaret's staff members and parishioners.

Detailed in this brochure are some wonderful events this winter and spring that will include two new services of seasonal Lessons and Carols for Epiphany and Lent; our rescheduled community bluegrass concert/sing-along, our annual Celtic Mass Sunday, and an Easter season organ recital and hymn sing. Additionally, our choristers will offer Evensong on several Monday evenings.

We look forward to seeing you at these wonderful musical offerings!



Jim Douglas
Director of Music & Organist

SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS

A Service of Lessons and Carols for Epiphany with Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Sunday, January 5, 2025
11:15 a.m.
Church

All are welcome as we celebrate the Epiphany season with this new addition to our liturgical offerings. In a similar format to our Advent and Christmas lessons and carols services, this service traces the story of salvation from the creation of Adam and Eve to the birth of Jesus, with music for choir and congregation led by the St. Margaret's Adult Choir.



Community Bluegrass Concert & Sing-a-long

Sunday, February 28, 2025
4:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Rescheduled from October, all are welcome for an afternoon of informal bluegrass music and fun! Free-will offering with light refreshments.



SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS, CONT.

Celtic Mass

Sunday, March 16, 2025
9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.
Church

A highlight of our calendar each year, St. Margaret's contemporary music ensemble Wellspring will lead the music for our annual Celtic services.



A Service of Lessons and Carols for Lent

Sunday, March 30, 2024
4:00 p.m.
Church

Taking the model used during the Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany seasons, this service of Lenten Lessons and Carols is a new addition to our liturgies this year. It will explore the spirit of penitence, prayer, and reflection, with scripture, literature, silence, and music for choir and congregation led by the St. Margaret's Adult Choir and St. Margaret's Ringers.

Hymn Sing & Organ Recital for Eastertide

POSTPONED

Sunday, May 4, 2025
4:00 p.m.
Church

All are welcome to this free event featuring St. Margaret's Director of Music Jim Douglas playing St. Margaret's Opus 17 organ by the American organbuilder Marshall and Ogletree. Audience participation and singing interspersed with musical mediations spontaneously improvised on the spot.



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