

Announcements November 25, 2018

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Sunday Services

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

Wednesday Service

7:30 a.m. in Admin. Building

Formation Hour

Sept. - May at 10:15 to 11 a.m.

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Publication Deadlines

Dragon Tales Weekly E-News
Monday afternoons

Sunday Announcements
Wednesday mornings

Use Connect Cards in the Pews

- *Newcomers contact information
- *Prayer requests
- *Change in your contact information
- *Make altar flowers dedication
- *Request pastoral visit

Advent Wreathmaking Today

Our annual parish Advent Wreathmaking will be held this morning at 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall. A donation of \$20 per wreath would be appreciated that day.) The event is fun for the whole family, and there will not be Sunday School today so all ages can participate.

Church Office Information— Starting this week, **the church office will be closed to visitors on Fridays except for appointments.** This provide staff the flexibility to work when needed on Sundays. You can still leave phone messages and send emails.

Holy Folders Needed on Nov. 27

We are in need of our Holy Folders to work on our Christmas mailing **this Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 10 a.m. in the Admin. reception room.** Goodies and great fellowship promised!



Faith & Fellowship activities resume tomorrow!

Endowment Grants Due Nov. 30

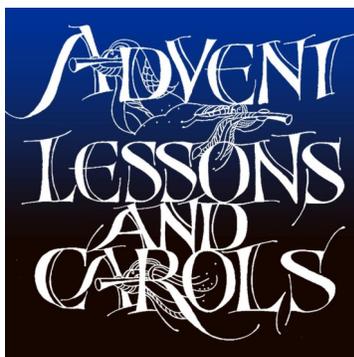
Applications for our 2019 endowment grant awards are due with a postmark on Nov. 30. Applications can be completed/downloaded from our website at www.st-margarets.org. For questions, email our Grants Coordinator Izzy Winn at ewinn421@gmail.com.

Newcomers Class Starting Dec. 3

The Rev. Peter Mayer will hold two Newcomers classes for those new to St. Margaret's and/or the Episcopal Church on Monday evenings, Dec. 3 & Dec. 17, 6:45 p.m. in Classroom C. Participants are welcome to the Fellowship dinner beforehand at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Advent Study with Rev. Patti — Mondays AM & PM

Join us for a time of theological reflection during Advent using James A. Harnish's book "When God Comes Down" as a guide. We will meet on **Monday mornings at 10am in Classroom E or during our regular Monday night Faith and Fellowship gathering at 6:45 p.m.** Participants will spend time reflecting on scripture and God's presence in our lives. **First meeting is Monday, November 26th.** We have a few books for purchase in the church office for \$15. You can also order them on Amazon.



Sunday, Dec. 2—

5:00 p.m.

*Childcare provided

Possibly the best-known Christmas service in the Western world is the festival of Lessons and Carols. This service celebrates the birth of Jesus by telling the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus in a series of short readings from the Bible. The readings are interspersed with carols, choral music, and congregational singing of hymns. The format for this service originated in England in 1918 at King's College, Cambridge, England, and thus began a tradition that is now almost 100 years old. This service has been adapted by many churches all over the world as part of their Christmastime worship.

Going to miss a Sunday service at St. Margaret's?

Our 9:00 a.m. service is usually livestreamed on our Facebook public page (www.facebook.com/smcannapolis). You can also find the entire service on our website the next day. Look for the Sunday Service green button at www.st-margarets.org.

THIRD SUNDAY BAND
CD Release Concert
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1st, 2018 @ 6PM
Tickets \$10
Reception to follow
VIPs & under 18 free



The Youth Group will once again be sponsoring a giving tree in the narthex to solicit donations for hats, mittens, scarves etc. for students in our local public schools.

The tree will go up the week of Dec. 3. Please take an "ornament" with specifics of what is needed and return to the tree unwrapped with the ornament attached by Dec. 16. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Margaret's Guild Christmas Luncheon

The St. Margaret's Guild will hold their annual **Christmas Luncheon at Donelly's Dockside on Weds., Dec. 5, at 11:30 a.m.** To purchase a ticket by Nov. 28, contact Judy Hall at judy.hall0404@gmail.com.

St. Margaret's Guild Poinsettia Sale

The St. Margaret's Guild will hold their annual poinsettia sale on Sundays, **Dec. 9 & 16 during coffeehour (10:15 to 11 a.m.)** Prices by size will be \$15, \$20, and \$25. Bring cash or a check book and come see the lovely plants in time for the holidays!

St. Nicholas Day on Dec. 16

We will have a special visitor for our younger parishioners on **Sunday, Dec. 16, at 10:20 a.m. in the Parish Hall.** We will learn all about the history of St. Nicholas before our visitor arrives. Please join us! There will be no Sunday School that day.

A Quiet Christmas on Dec. 19

We offer a special service during the season for those who are finding it difficult to get through the holidays with joy because of illness, loss, suffering, anxiety, or sadness. Join us for **A Quiet Christmas Eucharist at noon or 7 p.m.** where the hope and comfort of the Advent season is celebrated.

Evensong to Celebrate Bishop Chilton Knudsen's Ministry

A service to bid Bishop Knudsen's farewell will be held on **Sunday, December 16, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. A prelude will begin at 4:45 p.m. when the church banner procession line up begins. The prelude and service will be streamed live online. The link will be posted to the Diocesan website homepage, EpiscopalMaryland.org.

Stewardship 2019



The Vestry is beginning the budget process for 2019. Plan to give in 2019 but haven't made a financial pledge for 2019 yet? Pledge cards can be found in the pew pouches! Simply fill it out, fold, and place in the offertory plate.

Parish Prayer List

For your prayers: Amanda Freeland, Becky Morser, Mary Jane, Dolores "Dodie" Whitacre, Skip Wertman, John, Millie Weaver, Helen, Emily, Carol Keyser, Frank Lephew, Martha Smith, Carolyn Orahoad, Craig, Kathleen, Betty, Suzanne Killmon, Wendy.

For long-term prayers: Helen, Joshua Stabile, Seamus, Joyce Hall, Suzi Jett, Jean Calderone, Sally Stephens, Ellis, Joseph Meany, Charles Rector, Danielle Krolick, Peg Gledhill, Jessie Howe, Olivia Ridenhour, Carol Saunders, Carol Ferguson, Sarah Holmes, Chanel Cassidy, Claire Wagner, Thomas Pederson, Katie Baker, David Baker.

For those in the military: Ryan, Nate, John, Geoffrey, Dave, Shelby, Staci, Christiaan, Josh, Evan, Jon, Tom, Richard, Keith, Sarah, Chris, Jay, James, Ross, Philip, Jacob, Pete, Michael, Tim, Ryan, Glen, Matthew, Steven, Daniel, Heidi, Garrett, Joel, Justin, Joshua, Zachary, Conrad, Jake, Kevin, Victoria, Amelia, Ben, David, Paul and their families.

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. To add a name to the prayer list, please use our new prayer request forms (purple) in the pews (to put in the collection plate or give to clergy), make a request on our website using the "Prayer Request" green button toward the bottom of the homepage, or share with clergy.

Gift Cards for the Homeless

To help our homeless brothers and sisters, the Missions Commission is once again collecting small value gift cards (\$5 or \$10) for area restaurants and convenience stores. The gift cards will allow these men and women to purchase food or a hot cup of coffee and in some cases get out of the cold for a while. Cards go to Christine Feldmann or in her box in the church office.

Christmas @ St. Margaret's
A Quiet Christmas Service *
 Wed., Dec. 19, — Noon & 7 p.m.
Christmas Eve Services
 4:00*, 7:30*, 10:30 p.m.
Christmas Day Service
 10:00 a.m.
Christmas Lessons & Carols *
 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. on Dec. 30
 with New Year's Brunch
 in Parish Hall at 10:15 a.m.
 Bring a breakfast casserole to share!
Children's Epiphany Pageant *
 Sat., Jan. 5 — 9 a.m. in PH -Rehearsal with costumes
 Sun., Jan. 6 — 10:15 a.m. — Performance