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Deadlines

Dragon Tales E-News
Monday afternoon

Sunday Announcements
Wednesday afternoon

Office Hours

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

Worship Services

Sundays at 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Announcements for October 24, 2021

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, contact us using our contact form on our Newcomers page of our website at www.st-margarets.org/newcomers.html. And be sure and take a yellow bag from an usher. It will provide you with a lot of information about the St. Margaret's community.

Safety Protocols for Worship at this time

*Mask wearing is required for indoors. Masked singing now encouraged!

*Hand sanitizer is available.

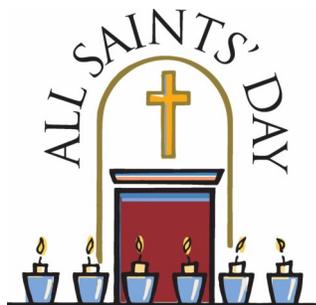
*We will continue to share an elbow bump and smile during the passing of the peace.

*Please be conscious of physical distancing.

United Thank Offering begins this Sunday

The Episcopal Church's United Thanks Offering (UTO) program fosters focusing on daily blessings and giving thanks. Courtesy of St. Margaret's Women's Guild, parishioners will be offered a blue envelope this Sunday in which to store spare change for a daily blessing every day until November 7. On that day, parishioners will be asked to submit their envelopes in the offertory plate. Children are also being invited to participate as well. Clergy will take the collected total and present it to the Diocese at their clergy conference in November.

Coming Soon!



**All Saints Dixieland
Mass
Sunday, November
7 - Outdoors
ONE Service at 11:45 a.m.
With music provided by**

Remembering those lost at the All Saints' Mass

If you wish to have the name of a loved one lost during the period of Nov 20 - Oct 21 at this year's All Saints' Mass, please provide their name to Laura@st-margarets.org by next **Sunday, October 31st.**

**Fall Festival -
Next Sunday, Oct.
31
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**



Games - Crafts -
Coffee/Pastry truck

And a **Pumpkin Decorating Contest** - at 11 a.m. **(For all ages! Make sure you bring your pumpkin in before 11 a.m.** Must be decorated **before** you come. No stencils allowed!)

Costumes welcome but nothing too scary and no weapons

Acolytes Needed for Worship Services

Children from the ages of 7-18 are needed to help and be a leader in worship by becoming an acolyte. Acolytes assist by leading the processional and recessional with the cross, assist clergy reading the Gospel, lighting the altar candles, and much more. It is a great way to learn new and important faith and leadership skills. To participate, contact Julie Svendsen at julesannap@gmail.com.

A Reminder...

We have begun our Wednesday morning Eucharist in-person at a new time -- 9:00 a.m. All are welcome. It's a fulfilling way to take on a new day.

Children's Programs Have Begun

Our **nursery** is once again open on Sundays, with loving care by professionals offered from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages 0-4.

Children's Chapel is offered for children ages 3-7 at the 9:00 a.m. service, with children following behind the wooden cross before the sermon and returning at the Peace. Adult volunteers will offer a story and music activities in the All Saints Lounge in the Annex building, downstairs level.

We offer our Sunday School in the formation building classrooms for ages 3-14! NO SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT SUNDAY BECAUSE OF THE FALL FESTIVAL!

Faith & Fellowship Monday Evenings

Our Monday evening activities have resumed in person for the fall. All must wear masks indoors.

Schedule

5:30 - 6:15 - Children's Music
(contact Jim Douglas music@st-margarets.org)

6:15 to 7:00 p.m. - Fellowship Dinner

6:30 to 7:00 p.m. - Activities for ages 5-10 with Miss Emily

6:45 to 8:30 p.m. - Youth Group (middle and high schoolers)

7:00 p.m. - Adult Study on **Deconstructing Prayer**

7:00 p.m. - Adult Choir Rehearsal

(contact Jim Douglas at music@st-margarets.org)

Nursery care available from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Applications Now Available for 2020 Grants Program

Applications for our endowment grants program are now available on our website at

<https://www.st-margarets.org/endowment-grants-program.html>. To

date, our annual program has provided over \$2 million in funding to nonprofits that are local, state-wide, all over the US, and throughout the world. If you know of a nonprofit that could use extra funding, please share the link with them. For questions, go to missions@st-margarets.org.

Youth Programs Have Begun

Our youth program has begun the new program year! Middle and High school students are encouraged to participate **now in-person wearing masks on Monday evenings from 6:45 to 8 p.m.** Middle School students are encouraged to foster their faith with Youth Ministries Leader Jeff Conover on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. High School will meet on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom. A Youth Lock-in is planned for October 29.** Our contact for all youth activities is Jeff Conover at Jeff@st-margarets.org.

Senior Sessions - 9:00 a.m. on Zoom

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month

Next meeting is this Tuesday, Oct. 26.

Parishioners ages 65+ are welcome to join clergy in a faith and fellowship hour, with sharing of joys and challenges. To participate,

Light House Donations

Needed donations for the Light House shelter pantry are found at

<https://annapolislighthouse.org/get-involved/needs/>. Leave items in the narthex that is always open. Our donations will be picked up every two weeks and delivered to the Light House.

Parish Prayer List

For your prayers: Suzie Clifton, Charlie and Nancy, Amanda, Vanessa, Lynne, Charles Rector, John and Gail Morton, Sarah Donnelly, Sarah Holmes, Nick, Dan, Frances Egelanian, Megan Croft, Sarah, Judith MacGregor, Ellis, Vera Torrence, Gail and Wayne Mayberry.

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.

Help Afghan Families and Refugees

The Tiger Team has been working diligently researching, discussing and discerning St. Margaret's future steps to assist Afghans presently living on US military bases, those resettled in Maryland and those still trying to leave Afghanistan. The team will make recommendations to the Missions Commission in early November. We anticipate soon dispersing about \$4,000 received from parishioners to parishioner-led requests that will help our Afghan neighbors. Thank you for your prayers, thoughts, time and funds.

Weekly Prayer for the Afghan Crisis

Women and girls in Afghanistan face fear and uncertainty with enforcement of recent restrictions on attending school, going to work, and conforming to severe discriminatory laws.

We pray for the women and girls of Afghanistan, that they are not harmed, their human rights are protected, and that their dreams can be fulfilled.



2021 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

What are you grateful for at St. Margaret's? The vestry will be producing the church budget for 2022 and need an estimate of parishioners' giving to adequately plan.

Our Stewardship Committee's goal this year is a budget of \$950,000 from 210 pledgers.

We have received 70 pledges for a total of \$461,250. If you have not yet pledged, you can do so directly via the ["GIVING" tab in Realm](#) or by emailing Elizabeth Radley at elizabeth@st-margarets.org.

Please Note: We will no longer collect clothes for the schools and shelters. Your donations have been very generous!