

Announcements September 8, 2019

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

Wednesday Service
7:30 a.m. now in Sanctuary

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

New to St. Margaret's?

Please fill out a Connect card found in your pew pouch and place it in the collection plate or give to a member of clergy. We are happy to have you here!

Sunday School Open House Today - We are ready to take Sunday School registration for children ages 3-18 for the 2019-20 program year! The first day of an actual class will be September 15. Sunday School is held during formation hour of 10:20 to 11 a.m. To register, simply log into your Realm account, find your child in the "Profile" section of Realm, make sure contact information is correct, add any allergies, emergency contact info, their grade for the school year, and photo permission (with a yes or no). Go to their groups tab at the top and make sure they are placed in the right class. That's it! Questions? Ask Gwen Davis at gwen@llamaworks.org or the Rev. Patti Sachs at patti@st-margarets.org.

****Please note: You can also sign up your child in as many groups as you wish like Acolytes, Spirit Singers, Youth Chorale, Wire Choir, or Youth Group.****

Faith & Fellowship Returns on Sept. 9

Our Faith & Fellowship activity night will be starting back up on Monday, Sept. 9. We have changed times and some locations so please take note:

*Spirit Singers (Grades K-2) - 5:15 to 6 p.m. - Classroom C

*Spirit Singers (Grades 3-5) - 5:15 to 6 p.m. - Godly Play Classroom B

*Youth Chorale (Middle/High) - 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. - Choir Room

*Acolytes - 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. - Sanctuary

*Arts & Crafts - 6 to 6:15 p.m. - Parish Hall

*Fellowship Dinner - 6:20 to 7 p.m. - Parish Hall

*Youth Group - 6:45 to 8:30 - Classroom D

*Motet Rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. - Choir Room

*Adult Education - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

**Nursery care available for ages 0-4 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Adult Ed on Sept. 9 - Tug and Beth Knorr discuss their recent pilgrimage to Alabama and the National Lynching Museum

Adult Ed on Sept. 16 - Mike Winn discusses the history and experiences of Cursillo

Adult Ed on Sept. 23 - Book study begins on Karen Gonzalez's *The God Who Sees* based on her immigration experiences.

Senior Sessions Resumes Sept. 10

Parishioners aged 65 and older are invited to a monthly Senior Session with clergy, on Sept. 10, second Tuesday of the month, in Classroom E at 10 a.m.

The hour includes a discussion about the upcoming Sunday Gospel lesson as well as sharing of joys and challenges.

Thursday Morning Book Study Resumes Sept. 12

Our Thursday morning book study class resumes Thursday, Sept. 12, 9:15 to 10:30 a.m., in Classroom E. For the first three weeks, the group will be focused on C.S. Lewis' "The Screwtape Letters." Then the group will begin a study of the author's "Mere Christianity." All are welcome to join. Childcare is available in the church nursery.

Children/Youth Music Open House on Sept. 21

Join members of the SMC music ministry team for a fun morning of music making! All returning choristers and newcomers will join for full warm-up, then split into three groups (grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-12) for rehearsals to prepare music for the next morning's worship services. Those youth who play instruments, including guitar and drums, will also gather together. During a snack break, there will be time for Q&A for parents, followed by a short informal worship service to conclude the day's activities. This will give both youth and their families the chance to sing and play the music they learned earlier in the day. That Sunday, all new and returning choristers will sing the anthems at the 9 and 11:15 a.m. services. At 9:00 a.m., children will participate in the entire service. Grades K-5 will sing an opening Introit at the start, grades 6-12 will sing during Communion, and all will sing during the Offertory at the middle of the service. At 11:15am, they will sing at the same times but with a slightly different protocol that will be discussed during the open house the day before and in communications leading up to September 22..



Our new communications and record keeping system is here! You can use your computer or use the Connect Realm app for your phone. Please sign in and register online before using the app.

You should have received a personal invitation through a Realm email that will give you directions on how to log in and activate your account. If you don't see it, check your spam folder.

Once you have set up your password, you are able to

*Update your own contact information;

*See what St. Margaret's groups you (and your children) are in as well and begin to communicate with the other group members;

*Add yourself to another group if it is open to all parishioners;

*Search for another parishioner's contact information;

*Receive weekly and special announcements;

*Check your updated giving record (this confidential information cannot be viewed by anyone other than you);

*Register for church or group events and Sunday School;

*Give online any gifts such as a regular pledge, Capital Campaign payment, altar flower donation, space usage payment, Faith & Fellowship meal payment, etc.;

*Add or change your photo included with your contact information and look up a person to view a photo of them (children's photos are not being used);

*Reach out to a parishioner by just tapping on their profile page instead of looking for an email address; and

*Make a stewardship pledge (starting Sept. 15) for the 2020 program year.

SPECIAL NOTES on REALM:

If you can't find your original invitation, email Elizabeth@st-margarets.org to send something to you.

- Your profile will most likely already be in there. Search for it first before adding your information.
- We have "opted" people in to be placed in the church directory. You will get an email from Realm about your privacy settings. If you don't want to be listed in the directory, change your settings with your preferences. You can get there by going to your Profile and clicking on the privacy lock at the top.
- Check your "groups" tab and add or take yourself out of any of which you are not participating.

Parish Prayer List

For your prayers: Maureen Ahern, Chase Cole, Alex, Peg Gledhill, Alice, Linda Brown, Marcella Gibbons, Jim Hall, Eric Shanks, Carol Auer, Edie Dillon, Nancy White, Amanda Freeland, Mike, the victims of Hurricane Dorian.

For long-term prayers: Audrey Stover, Sheldon Levitas, Lolly Stewart, Alice, Kay Reuschling, Suzie Clifton, Gary Williams, Youngmi Kim, David Schroeder, George Dangleman, Peter Gness, Mike L., Carl McVeigh, Ernest Freeland, Joyce Hall, Jean Calderone, Charles Rector, Danielle Krolick, Carol Ferguson, Deborah D., Lizzie Bracken.

For those in the military: Andrew, Tyler, 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 Connect cards 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.

Compline Services Begin Sept. 24

This choir season we are offering a regular schedule of "fourth Tuesday" evening Compline services at 7:30pm in the sanctuary on the following dates: September 24, October 22, January 28, March 24, April 28. Any singer in high school or above is welcome to sing for Compline. Rehearsals take place prior to each service at 6:30pm. This contemplative service is 25-30 minutes in length and is comprised of prayers, lessons, psalms and collects, all chanted to ancient and timeless unison plainchant and a cappella choral repertoire. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. For questions, contact Jim Douglas music@st-margarets.org.

2020 Grants Application Available

The 2020 St. Margaret's Church Endowment Grants application is now available on the [church website](#). New this year, the committee will award one multi-year grant to a deserving organization. Applications are due by November 30, 2019. Pass this along to your favorite non profit!



Hurricane Dorian Disaster Relief

Consider supporting Hurricane Dorian disaster relief efforts by donating to Episcopal Relief & Development which partners with dioceses as they respond to hurricanes and other tragic storms. Your contribution to Episcopal Relief & Development's Hurricane Relief Fund will support communities as they respond to storms like Hurricane Dorian. Your donation will meet urgent needs by providing critical supplies such as food, water and other basics and will help provide long-term assistance as needed.

Go to www.episcopalrelief.org.