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St. Margaret's Church - Annapolis

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## **Boredom vs. Accountability — Making Church Important**

**By the Rev. Peter W. Mayer, Rector**

How can we better engage our young people and children in church? Well, what do you mean by 'engage' and what do you mean by 'church'? I hear from many parents who choose to give up the battle with the kids about coming to church, and it's because the kids are bored. They are BORED. I get it. In a world where everything seeks our engagement, church (the liturgy, the worship, the music, the sermons, the hour plus that it takes us to do everything before we can leave) can be boring. Any of it, all of it. I know, I've been doing this for a while.

I've always had a natural curiosity around God, Jesus, and around religion in general. When I was 9 or 10, we moved to a bigger town and I was quickly enlisted to serve as an acolyte at St. James' in Oneonta, under the rectorship of Fr. Dick Frye.

I remember him because he was a serious man, and we shared a birthday.

The same day I was trained as an acolyte, I hit a home run in Little League.

But what being an acolyte instilled in me was more than a connection with my priest, and more than superstitious luck. To be blunt, being an acolyte changed my life, gave me stability when I needed it, and made me the priest that I am.

It changed my life because it got me to church regularly. I was needed. So the fighting with my parents wasn't as bad as it would've been had I had to just sit there. I had something to do, and people were depending on me. When I wasn't there, which was rare, I got called out of concern, but also out of accountability. That was perhaps my first taste of accountability, and it helped me grow my sense of responsibility.

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*Transforming Lives in Christ through worship, formation, and giving.*

# Welcome to the Rev. Patti Sachs

This June, we are pleased to welcome the Rev. Patti Sachs as Assistant Rector at St. Margaret's.

Patti is a woodworker, cook and gardener who lives in Shady Side with her partner of 32 years, Patricia (Potzie). In her woodworking life, she has made three croziers (shepherds crooks) for the bishops of Maryland, lots of furniture and even a rowboat for the YWCA.

She had called St. James' Parish in Lothian home, and was a member there since 2001. Patti spent two years in the Deacon Formation program in Maryland before attending Virginia Theological Seminary. She will graduate in May with a Post-Graduate Diploma in Theology.

Mostly, she is thankful to God for this journey and to the St. Margaret's family for welcoming her into the fold.



## Music Director Search

The search for a new Minister of Music is moving forward. We are very pleased with how many applications we have received to date. The interest in this full-time position (a rarity in today's churches) has garnered many applications, and the committee is now reviewing and evaluating them with prayerful consideration.

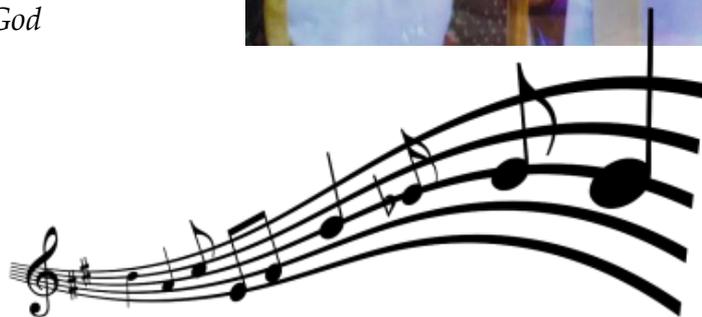
Final applicants will interview on site with the Rev. Peter W. Mayer this summer, and a new director of music is expected to be named before the new program year begins at the end of summer.

Please keep these efforts in your prayers.

*Let us recognize those who have responded to the call of God to the ministry of music in our church.*

*Singing, playing instruments, and directing ensembles are ministries of Christ among us.*

*In grateful appreciation for the gifts of these ministries, we offer our loyal support and our prayers. Amen.*



## Growing Together at St. Margaret's

By Paul O'Donnell, Senior Warden - paulwodonnell@gmail.com

Walking around St. Margaret's the past couple of Sundays and Monday nights, I've discovered that one of the immediate benefits of being elected senior warden is how many conversations I get to have with my fellow parishioners. So many of you have offered your congrats (and condolences) while assuring me I don't have to live up to the high bar set by my predecessor, Anne Sessions.

As each of these conversations ends with a hug or a handshake and mutual thanks, I've been left thinking about how I got here—beyond, obviously, Peter's surprising invitation to serve. I never set out to become senior warden, or to have any role at the church other than to pray and enjoy the liturgy.

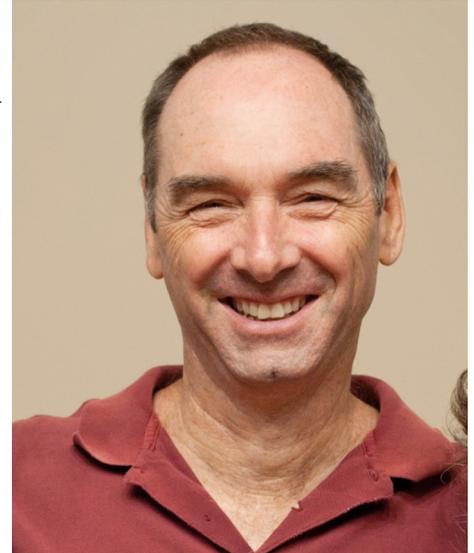
Then one day I answered one of the periodic calls to help out at coffee hour. It gave me something to do while my kids were finishing up Sunday school. I washed mugs and traded jokes and stories with other people on the team. Some of them were long time members. Others, I later realized, were as new as I was. What struck me is that I was not always able to tell which were which. Everyone was welcome, and everyone was needed.

When the church joined the Winter Relief effort, I signed up to help host our guests—welcoming the hungry and homeless seemed a basic duty I couldn't ignore. I became a regular at adult formation, so Peter eventually asked me to lead a book forum. The next thing I knew, I was asked to run for vestry. Barely a year later I find myself in the top lay position in the church. Anne tells me that when Peter's away, I'm in charge!

I don't promise anyone that if they sign up to work a coffee hour they will end up as senior warden. What I can promise is that becoming involved in a ministry at St. Margaret's will deepen your relationships with your fellow parishioners, all of whom, trust me, are worth knowing better. It will deepen your knowledge and appreciation for all the amazing things we do here. Volunteering is the soul of belonging to this church, and it's the best way to feed your soul as well.

Some of you know all this already because you're a dedicated volunteer and have been for years. Some of you may be taking a rest. Yet others may be biding your time, looking for the right group or activity.

As senior warden I can say on behalf of the church that we need you all—I need you all. But as someone who surprised himself when he washed his first coffee mug, let me add that we need the last group most. We want you to become a bigger part of us, so we can grow together. Thank you.



*A graduate of the University of Chicago, Paul is an experienced reporter, writer, and analyst, working for media organizations like CNBC and Newsweek. He also helped found the groundbreaking, award-winning religion news and opinion site Beliefnet.com. He lives with his wife Alice, sons Emerson, Raymond, and daughter Aevon in Severna Park.*

# Missions News

## A Summer of Outreach

By Christine Duray Feldmann, Missions Committee Chair

### Refugee Sunday

World Refugee Day is on June 20th, and St. Margaret's will be recognize this day with services at 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. on June 24 that include a special liturgy, reading and prayers. The St. Margaret's Immigrants / Refugees advocacy group will also host a special coffee hour that morning to allow parishioners to celebrate their own family histories and journeys to America as well what the advocacy group is doing to support current local refugees.

### Ice Ministry

Once again, St. Margaret's is partnering with the Anne Arundel County Department of Social Services to provide ice for our homeless brothers and sisters this summer. If you are interested in participating in these weekly drop-offs to homeless camps, contact Christine Feldmann at [cduray@comcast.net](mailto:cduray@comcast.net).

### Backpack Buddies

Once again, St. Margaret's will support our local students by providing backpacks of school supplies for those in need. As in the past, parishioners will be asked to purchase items on the school supply list and the Missions Commission will pay for the backpacks. Last year's collection benefited students at Broadneck Elementary where a number of St. Margaret's parishioners tutor. Stay tuned for details in early August.

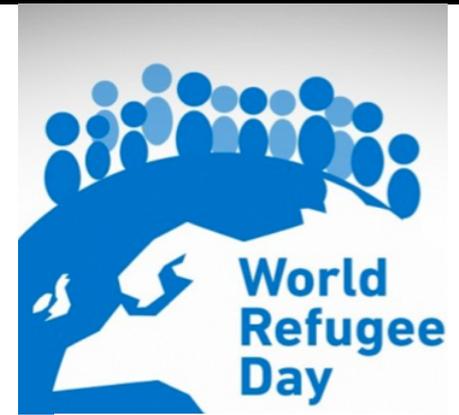
## Food Drive This July — Help Stock the Light House Food Pantry



Throughout the entire month of July, St. Margaret's is charged with helping to stock the food pantry of the Light House shelter in Annapolis. Please leave donations in the designated box in the narthex of the sanctuary.

### Suggested Items:

Canned Goods—Oatmeal—Coffee—Peanut Butter—Fruit Juice—Ramen Noodles  
—Tea Bags—Pasta—Syrup—Jelly—Canned Tuna—Cereal—Rice—Salad Dressing  
— Applesauce



### Members of the Missions Committee

Beth Arruda  
Kate Callahan  
Marti Engstrom  
Christine Duray Feldmann  
Barbara Friedmann  
Jim Hall  
John Koloski  
Justyn Kopack  
Russell Jackson  
Helen Patterson  
Janice Roper Graham  
Bill Saur  
Joanna Tillman  
Izzy Winn

## Bringing Shelter to the Underserved

By Harry Caldwell, hbcaldwell@comcast.net

St. Margaret's is actively involved in a variety of missions to provide temporary and permanent shelter for the homeless and underserved within Anne Arundel County.

### Winter Relief

Seventy churches and synagogues in Anne Arundel County cooperatively provide shelter for the homeless as part of the Winter Relief Program. St. Margaret's has participated for five years, with as many as 140 parishioners involved each year. Beginning this year, in cooperation with the Anne Arundel County Literacy Council, we will explore the possibility of offering an Empowerment Program to our guests. This would consist of a one-on-one mentoring program between trained volunteers from one of our partnering churches and guests of Winter Relief. If feasible, our volunteers would help guests improve their skills in reading, writing, or math, basic skills to help our guests improve their lives and their ability to function independently.

### Security Deposit Assistance Program

The Winter Relief coalition has established a program to provide full or partial security deposit grants for individuals vetted and qualified by city and county housing authorities to seek permanent rental housing in public or privately available housing. Stable housing is consistent with the widely accepted principle of social service organizations that the key to long term personal stability is "housing first". For many, it will be the first time in their lives they have had the opportunity to occupy a space of their own, a fact barely conceivable to most of our congregation. We are partnering with county agencies and non-profits who use professional case workers to qualify and mentor residents seeking affordable rental housing. Both the currently homeless, as well as those living often in less than desirable housing conditions, are eligible. By joining forces with other churches, we are leveraging our resources to bring real change to people's lives.

A governing board comprised of representatives from the Winter Relief churches and synagogues evaluate and determine the grant allocations to be made from the fund. As of May 2018, we have made grants to four recipients who are now successfully housed. We are evaluating an additional 12 applications currently being processed through the Anne Arundel County Housing Authority. This program is a compassionate, transparent, and focused effort to help these citizens, our neighbors, as they struggle to stabilize and improve their lives.

### Affordable Housing Initiatives

In cooperation with the Anne Arundel Coalition for Affordable Housing, we will host a forum Tuesday, July 24, from 5:00 to 7:30 pm on the subject of affordable housing in Anne Arundel County. All candidates for County Council and County Executive are invited to present their positions on this topic. The Capital Gazette and other news organizations will be invited, as will other Winter Relief churches. We have engaged the Lighthouse Bistro to cater a pre-forum "meet and greet" in Fellowship Hall from 5:00-5:45, which will also be available following the forum for one on one conversations with the candidates. Please come and hear what our candidates think about the growing challenges of housing in our community as we approach this fall's elections.



## VOTE WITH KNOWLEDGE. LISTEN AND LEARN.

The Candidates for County Executive and the County Council will discuss their positions on affordable housing and homelessness in Anne Arundel County.

July 24 - St. Margaret's Church - 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

*Hosted by the Anne Arundel Affordable Housing Coalition and St. Margaret's Episcopal Church*

## 2018 Grant Awardees

By Izzy Winn, Grants Administrator



Many years ago, parishioners Ed and Zoe Hall left an endowment gift to St. Margaret's Church. St. Margaret's is now in its 20th year of using those gifted funds to provide endowment grants organizations that transform lives in Christ both here and around the world.

This year's Grants Committee started this grant season with 30 grant applications requesting a total of \$449,370. The Committee requested that our volunteer grants liaisons evaluate 13 applicants that were interviewed for further consideration by grants liaisons.

After four weeks of interviews and careful consideration of the transformative work these vastly differing groups are doing, the Committee is very pleased to announce its recommendation (accepted and approved by the Vestry) of \$95,000 allocated for Endowment Grants to fund the finalists as listed below:

\$5,100 - To **Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee Haiti Outreach Ministry** to build a playground at St. Marc's Episcopal School, Jeannette, Haiti

\$2,000 - To **Annapolis Immigration Justice Network** for Legal Referrals

\$10,000 - To **Intersection of Change (Baltimore) for Strength to Love II Farm** employing and training ex-convicts (as well as supplying locally grown produce in an urban "food desert") located in the Sandtown-Winchester and Upton communities

\$6,000 - To **Middleham and St. Peter's Parish of the Diocese of Maryland** (Episcopal) to help fund a school nurse in Leogane Haiti, a model project administered by the Episcopal University Nursing School

\$4,100 - To **Sarah's House** (Anne Arundel County) for new kitchen appliances

\$7,500 - To **Mission of Mercy** to support a new Mobile Dental Clinic and their expanded Maryland free dental program

\$10,000 - To **Somos Amigos Medical Mission** for medical and dental specialist referrals and diagnostic testing for clinic's patients in the Dominican Republic

\$17,000 - To **Acts 4 Youth** (Baltimore) allowing expansion of their program to an additional school, serving 100-200 youths

\$10,000 - To **Seeds 4 Success** (Annapolis) to launch the Eastport Boys Club, similar to the very successful Eastport Girls Club.

\$4,300 - To **The ARC Central Chesapeake Region's Parent Support Group** and "Sibshops" program for 5-11 yr old siblings of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities

\$6,000 - To **Box of Rain** (Annapolis) to cover the cost of a year-long high school "Charting Careers" program for 12 students

\$5,000 - To **Muhabura Integrated Polytechnic College of the Shiyira Diocese of the Anglican Church** (Rwanda) for the new water filtration system on campus

\$8,000 - To **Siempre Unidos for Food Support** supplementing medical care for 25 impoverished HIV positive patients in Honduras.

## Tanzania Safari - March 7-20, 2019

For more information, go to [www.go-dageno-tanzania.com/](http://www.go-dageno-tanzania.com/).



Since 2014, the St. Margaret's Endowment Grants program has provided funds to support the Dageno Girls Center— a residential school in Tanzania, Africa. We've helped them add on-site water storage tanks, bunk beds and more. And now, St. Margaret's Mission Commission members have worked with experienced tour operator King George Travel to put together a professional Safari to visit them!

11 nights' accommodation with Full Board (3 meals per day), Guide, Driver & Unlimited bottled water. Regularly \$6,000, but for St. Margaret's travelers only \$3,800 PP double occupancy. \$450 single supplement

### Itinerary

- Arusha 1 Night @Planet Lodge – Lovely grounds!
- Tarangire 1 Night @Maramboi Tented Camp – Amazing views of Lake Manyara!
- Karatu 2 Nights @Eileen's Trees – Beautiful gardens throughout!
- Central Serengeti 2 Nights @Tanzania Bush Camp – Luxury Camp INSIDE SERENGETI PARK!
- South Serengeti 2 Nights @Tanzania Bush Mobile Camp – Moves with the GREAT MIGRATION!
- Karatu 3 Nights @ Happy Days Bungalows, a social enterprise run by Dageno graduates

### Included:

- All accommodations have private ensuite facilities (flushable toilets & hot water showers).
- Full Board: Daily Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- Unlimited bottled water provided in vehicles & at all hotels/lodges/camps
- All transportation while in Tanzania in Deluxe 4X4 Safari Vehicles – Everyone has a window seat & vehicles have pop-up, covered top for superb game viewing on Days 1-9
- Local Transportation while volunteering at Dageno Girls Center on Days 10-12
- Deluxe transportation for group on last day to Arusha and Kilimanjaro International Airport
- Expert professional English-speaking Driver/ Guide(s) and USA Escort Teri Priebe will travel with your group
- Game drives per the itinerary in Tarangire National Park, Lake Manyara National Park, Ngorongoro Crater, and Serengeti National Park
- All Park fees, cultural visits, and taxes per itinerary

### Not Included:

- International Airfare (KGT will seek group discount)
- \$100 Tanzania Visa Fee (KGT will obtain Visas at Embassy for no additional cost)
- Beverages other than water and personal snacks
- Gratuities – Teri will provide a tipping guide
- Travel Insurance – Available through KGT
- Credit card fee of 3% for Land Package (Check payment is free of charge)

For questions, contact Teri Priebe at 540-760-8178.

St. Margaret's Contact: Janice Roper Graham, [janice@opp-llc.com](mailto:janice@opp-llc.com)  
Space is limited - \$500 secures your spot



Send checks to King George Travel  
P.O. Box 611, Dahlgren, VA 22448.  
Email: [KingGeorgeTravel@gmail.com](mailto:KingGeorgeTravel@gmail.com)

# Missions News

## Camp Allen 2018

The 19th annual St. Margaret's Camp Allen will be held on August 6-10 at the Allen Apartments in the Parole area of Annapolis. It is a half-day camp for the mostly Hispanic children of the low-income housing in and around the apartment complex. This project was begun by Rev. Wes Wubbenhorst and Arvilla Wubbenhorst as an outgrowth of Wes's mission work in Honduras. The families look forward to Camp Allen as a highlight of their summer.

To put on this very successful program, we are seeking volunteers for a wide variety of jobs at the camp. We need youth counselors, Spanish speakers to help with registration on Monday and Tuesday, other volunteers to help with purchasing, preparing and serving snacks and lunches, people with large vehicles to help with transportation of tables and supplies, people to help with crafts and games on Monday or Tuesday, or to volunteers to help chaperone field trips on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We always also need extra hands to do whatever needs to be done. Any amount of time you would like to devote to the program, we can put you to work! It is always an amazing experience for all. In the coming months there will be sign-up opportunities in the parish hall, or you may contact Sarah Hyde directly at 410 280-6737 (home) or 410-562-9904 (cell) or by e-mail at [smhyde@aol.com](mailto:smhyde@aol.com).



**Open Table** is a national program that has developed a successful model for helping transform the lives of those living in poverty, one person at a time. Open Table trains congregation members, through the Open Table Model, to form communities - called Tables - that transform their vocational and life experiences into tools our brothers and sisters in poverty can use to develop and implement plans that create change. The Open Table process is a catalyst for the collaboration of faith communities, government, universities, business and non-profits working through a shared purpose model to move themselves and their communities from a transactional relationship to one of transformation.

A "Table" is formed by 6-12 volunteers who bring their vocational and life experiences along with their personal networks to an impoverished family for approximately one year. The Table develops and implements a customized LifePlan to empower their family to begin living into their human potential God gave to them. St. Margaret's is organizing its first table and is working in partnership with the Light House. The Light House will refer a person to the St. Margaret's table, and provide ongoing support in this journey. St. Margaret's first table will have six members, 4 from St. Margaret's and 2 from the Annapolis Friends meeting. SMC's members are Sam Sloan, Rosalind Dove, Janie Roper-Graham and Beth Arruda. We hope to have our first organization meeting and begin training in May, and invite a brother or sister to join us in June. The Mission Commission is generously funding the licensure costs for this program. Please pray for us as we begin this new journey.

# Upcoming Events



## Bluegrass Mass & Parish Picnic

**Sunday, June 3 - 11:15 a.m.**

*featuring Third Sunday Band & special musical guests*

*Bring a blanket/lawn chair & dish to share*

*Hamburgers & hot dogs provided*

*Last Names A-F - bring a side dish*

*Last Names G-O - bring a salad*

*Last Names P-Z - bring a dessert*



## St. Margaret's Women's Guild

**Wednesday, June 6 - 11:30 a.m.**

**Macaroni Grill - Annapolis**

**Tickets \$30**

**Make checks out to "St. Margaret's Church" with "Guild Luncheon"**

**in the memo line or**

**Tickets \$35**

**charge on credit card @ [st-margarets.org](http://st-margarets.org)**

**click on "giving" tab at top**

**All are welcome! Orders due May 29**



## Seniors 55 & Better - Summer Event

**Thursday, July 12 - 2 p.m.**

**Children's Theatre of Annapolis**

**Tickets \$30**

**Make checks to "St. Margaret's Church" with "Infinity show" on memo line**

**Due date: June 25**

## Episcopal Night @ Camden Yards

**Friday, July 27, 7:05 p.m.**

Join other Episcopalians around the Diocese for a great night of Orioles baseball on Friday, July 28. St. Margaret's has a limited number of group discount tickets available that can be purchased on a first-come, first-serve basis. Deadline for ticket orders is June 25. Tickets will be available for pick up in the office starting July 9. Tickets are reserved only by payment, no reservations will be taken by email or phone. Purchase tickets by check made out to "St. Margaret's Church" with "Orioles" in the memo line for \$15 or by credit card on the church website for \$20.





## SUMMER MISSION TRIP

### Brethren Disaster Ministries' Rebuild North Carolina Coastline Disaster Relief

July 15-21 – Ages 14 and up

Cost: \$250 (scholarships are available)

Deadline: July 1

Contact: Jeff Conover  
Jeff@st-margarets.org

The Brethren Disaster Ministries' Rebuild Program engages volunteers to repair and rebuild storm damaged homes for some of the most vulnerable disaster survivors, thereby easing trauma and promoting recovery. By demonstrating Christ's love and putting their faith in action as they restore damaged homes, volunteers also restore broken lives. BDM Rebuild projects are supported by a network of volunteers from across the country who reduce the recovery costs for homeowners by providing free construction labor. At each rebuild project site, BDM partners with local long-term recovery organizations who are working with their community to identify unmet needs after a disaster, including home destruction or damage cases that BDM can help repair. Trained construction leaders and household leaders provide volunteer orientation and instruction on the work site, as well as meals at the volunteers' housing. Unskilled volunteers willing to learn are invited to work alongside those who are skilled and willing to teach. Volunteer housing is provided, often at local churches or community buildings, where weekly volunteers and leaders stay, eat and become more connected with the community.



for Middle and High School Students

**Friday, June 15**

**Meet at 6 p.m.**

Bring your sleeping bags  
& \$5 for pizza dinner

Pick up Sat. morning at 8 a.m.



Please contact  
Jeff@st-margarets.org  
if you can attend!



#### High School

Kennedy Albers  
Crispin Blamphin  
Caitlyn Bontempo  
Lydia Goldthwait  
Susan "Sam" Graham  
Jackson Lunsford-Poe  
Jamey Macris  
Hudson Matz  
Sierra Mullin  
Teddy Robbins  
Jonah Svendsen  
Lucas Tolley

#### Higher Ed

Matthew Heacock  
Michael Lundien  
Spencer Todd  
Tom Wenz II

#### Military

Nate Hall

#### St. Margaret's Day School

Adefemi Aderoba  
Elyse Bevere  
Annie Duvall  
Valentina Lizama  
Noah Lynn  
Quentin Marshall  
Gwen McCaleb  
Kendyll Meise  
Beckham Mulder  
Scout Murphy  
James O'Connell  
Oliver Reynolds  
Jack Rigby  
Sam Robbins  
Ivy Saavedra  
Mason Scanlon  
Leighton Stephens  
Katherine Synowlic

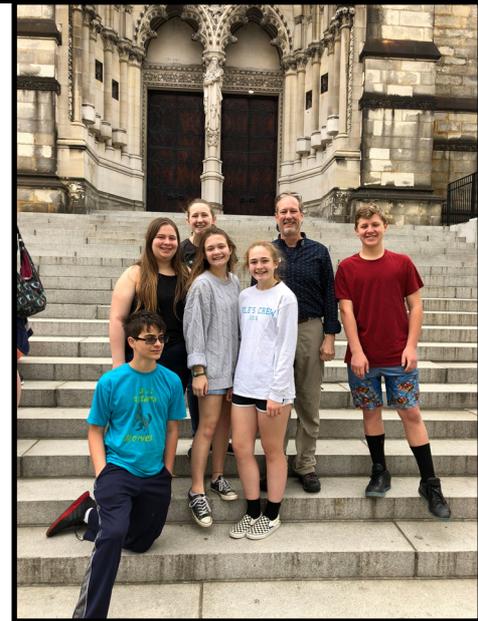
# Formation Moments



**Nightwatch  
May 2018**



**Lock In  
Spring 2018**



**Bishop's  
Bash**



**USCG Ship Tour**



**LH Dinner**



# Children's Formation

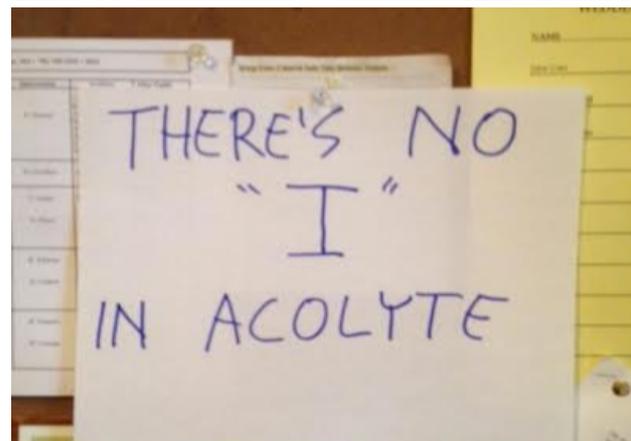
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When I was 13, I got into a lot of trouble. I mean, I was on the wrong path. I guess I could've gone either way, but I had this community in the church (because I was an acolyte, I was KNOWN to the congregation—I served, my name was in the bulletin, I knew the chalice bearers, I knew the musicians, I knew the priest and THEY KNEW ME), and that community lifted me up. They lifted up my parents. They helped form me and raise me. I think about that experience whenever we say the baptismal covenant and we agree to uphold the candidate in their life in Christ. Acolyting facilitated that for my family, because I had a community of worship surrounding me and guiding me through.

Finally, where else can an 11-year-old get trusted with candles, wine, incense, torches and FIRE? Giving children these responsibilities let them know that they are seen, valued and trusted. With training, they grow in this responsibility and then they impart it on to those who follow. I'll never forget more senior acolytes than me, one was named Erik Knudsen. He was about five years older than me, and he knew what he was doing. I looked up to him, and later on in life, we did mission work together. Those bonds are what the church should offer across the generations, from 70-year-olds to 7-year-olds. Where else can you get that?

We have too many kids who aren't taking advantage of the chance to serve. Parents, I'd like your permission and support to get them involved. I love soccer; I love hockey and swimming, but this is better. This is your child's chance to be known to a community, and to better know God through service. This will set them up for a life of service, and cement a relationship with the liturgy in church for their lifetime. I guarantee, they will not regret serving in this important and vital ministry.

If you or your child wants to grow in faith and service, contact me at [peter@st-margarets.org](mailto:peter@st-margarets.org) or use the acolyte summer sign up automated form (linked on the homepage of our website). We have folks ready to train and, more importantly, guide your child toward a lifetime of service.



# St. Margaret's VBS 2018



Grow in Faith. Have Fun. Change the World.

June 25-29  
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For ages PreK to 9

Each day, kids will explore Jesus' Parable of the Sower with three age-appropriate activities that help kids learn how to care for God's creation.

Participation Fee \$55 — \$25 if parent volunteers on site during that week

Classes filling up! Register today!

Forms in church office, parish hall entry, or sign up online @ [st-margarets.org](http://st-margarets.org)

Volunteers are needed! Signup Genius link is on the homepage of the church website.

## Children's Communion Class



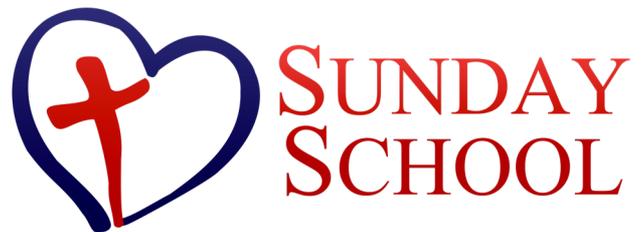
**Saturday, June 9, 10 a.m.**  
**Sunday, June 10, 9 a.m. service**

The Rev. Peter W. Mayer leads young children through the importance and meaning of Holy Communion, first with a class on Saturday morning, June 9th at 10 a.m. and then as a follow up on Sunday, June 10th at the 9 a.m. service.

It's very clear from the Gospels that Jesus loved children, welcomed them into his kingdom, and commended their faith. "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."



Parent of toddlers are welcome to come and fellowship with other parents during coffee hour (Sundays from 10:15 to 11 a.m.) as the small children play in the lobby of the new formation building.



**Last Day of 2017-18 Year — May 20**

**Open House for 2018-19 — Sept. 9**

**First Day of 2018-19 Year — Sept. 16**

# Day School

The Charles and Elinor Ridout Scholarship Fund  
By Susan Roberts, Day School Board President

Charles D. and Elinor P. Ridout, and their daughter Anne R. Brice, were lifetime, active members of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church. Significantly to St. Margaret's Day School, the Ridouts were strong believers in the value of early childhood education and proponents of access to pre-school and kindergarten for children within the parish and community. Elinor was an educator, a graduate of (then) Towson State Teachers College, who taught elementary school in Howard County before marrying Charles Ridout in 1927 and moving to Annapolis. Additionally, Anne's son-in-law, Robert F. O'Hara, served a term on the inaugural Board of Trustees of the newly established St. Margaret's Day School in 1995.

Anne Ridout Brice established a scholarship fund for St. Margaret's Day School in 2004 and 2005 with the understanding that these gifts would support annual scholarships in memory of her parents.

The annual distribution funds need-based scholarships for young families facing financial constraints. The Scholarship Committee of the School evaluates applications and determines which families and what amounts of scholarships will be awarded. If there is not a scholarship need in a particular year, that year's distribution may be diverted to bonuses for the school's teachers. By combining an annual contribution from St. Margaret's Church with funds from this scholarship fund, St. Margaret's Day School has been able to award, over the last five years, \$70,000 in scholarship funds to over 20 children, some of which are St. Margaret's parishioner families.



SCIENCE, ART, EXPLORATION, THEME-BASED FUN  
AND FIELD TRIPS FOR AGES 2-9!

Children are welcome to join us from June to August for our fun-filled day camps! Every two weeks we will have a new, exciting camp theme with crafts, projects, games, science explorations, and more.

Registration can be found at [stmargaretsdayschool.org](http://stmargaretsdayschool.org).



St. Margaret's Day School students raised over \$2,000 for St. Jude's at their annual bike-a-thon.



Music Together held a spring family music concert recently.



St. Margaret's Guild held their annual day with the Day School students in April.



The Spring Auction garnered thousands in support of the school's operating budget.

## **Gathering to Organize & Pray: Responding to the Opioid Crisis**

June 10, 4:00-6:00 PM, Cathedral of the Incarnation, Baltimore  
Join with others from across the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland to organize for learning, action and prayer in response to the Opioid crisis in Maryland. Learn more about this gathering. Follow the Opioid Crisis: Episcopal Diocese of Maryland Response Group on Facebook.



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## **Evangelism Boot Camp, May 31-June 2, Virginia Theological Seminary**

The Evangelism Boot Camp brings together a team of leaders from across the Episcopal Church and other denominations who will lead faithful Episcopal and Mainline Protestant Christians (clergy and lay) into developing holistic, natural, and committed practices of lively public faith and witness. Contact is the Rev. Jon Musser, [jmusser@vts.edu](mailto:jmusser@vts.edu).

**Sykesville Ecumenical Golf Challenge**, sponsored by St. Barnabas, Sykesville, June 22, 8:30 AM, the Links at Challedon, Mount Airy, Maryland. Represent your church and vie for the "Sykesville Ecumenical Cup." Located at the Links at Challedon in Mt. Airy, Maryland

Visit [www.stbarnabassykesville.org/golf](http://www.stbarnabassykesville.org/golf) for details. Contact Dana Hess at [gspfan@verizon.net](mailto:gspfan@verizon.net) or 301-775-9916 with any questions.

## **WWI Centennial Monument Dedication, Epiphany Chapel and Church House (Odenton)**

June 3, 1:00-3:00 PM - Celebrate 100 years of ministry at the only WWI chapel in the United States. Outdoor concert by the Maryland Military Band, keynote address by Diane Rehm.

## Adult Formation



The Efm program invites you to join small, mentored communities that help us understand our lives and share our actions as we deepen our Christian faith. Through readings and discussions, we shape and define our personal ministry and spiritual growth. The setting is more "sharing" and discovery than "teaching". We learn and reflect through each other while having the advantage of texts to guide us. It is a safe, compassionate, and non-judgmental environment.

Part of our class time is sharing what we have read that week, not a book report, but how the reading touched us in some way. The chapter lessons have a common theme that crosses the four-year study. Another part of our discussion is called "Theological Reflections" in which we discuss sometimes words, sometimes issues, sometimes concepts.

St. Margaret's Efm meets on Wednesdays from 9 am until 11:30 weekly September through May in the Formation Building. Please contact Karen Engelke ([karenengelke@aol.com](mailto:karenengelke@aol.com) and 410-562-3624) or Jim Hall ([jhhall1942@verizon.net](mailto:jhhall1942@verizon.net) or 410-956-5120). The cost is \$375 and includes all texts. Scholarship help is available. Students who have completed a year or more previously are encouraged to rejoin the program; or if you want to explore Efm through the new texts, you are very welcome.



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Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m.

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