

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH
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Youth Sunday
Holy Eucharist
April 11, 2021
9:00 a.m.

The Rev. Peter W. Mayer, Rector
Jim Douglas, Director of Music

The Rev. Patti Sachs, Associate Rector
Jeff Conover, Youth Ministries Leader

St. Margaret's Church
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Welcome to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

If you are visiting us for the first time, let us offer you an especially warm welcome. We would like to continue our relationship with you, so please go to our website at www.st-margarets.org and click on the Newcomers tab.

A note about this service--

The service we are about to celebrate is the result of a year's worth of study, discussion, prayer and group decision-making. We have delved into our own practices to understand what they mean – to the Episcopal Church, to St. Margaret's, and to us as individuals.

The format of the service is familiar. While the readings may sound comfortably familiar, those we have chosen spoke to us and our chosen theme; and are not necessarily what the Church recommends for the 2nd Sunday of Easter. The same is true for the music, and maybe of some of the ways we have chosen to present aspects of the service.

I invite you to listen and watch during this morning's service. Look and listen for the changes. How do they affect your worship this morning? I also invite you to imagine the discussions we had when talking about our service. In no way is there anything in this service that was 'dictated' by the adults of the church. We began our thinking about it completely unconstrained. Anything changed or retained was done so consciously, thoughtfully, and together – as a family. I hope this morning you will feel the love and respect the youth have for you, our entire St. Margaret's Family.

--Jeff Conover, Youth Ministries Leader

YOUTH PARTICIPANTS

Sophia Canuel
Ella Chasse
Tommy Engstrom
Connor Feldman
Zachariah Jackson
Katherine Parker
William Rollinson
Hannah Ruegg
Audrey Smith
Gabriella Smith

Youth Group meets every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.
Contact Jeff Conover for more information:
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GATHERING SONG

Sing and rejoice
Tommy Engstrom, soloist

Traditional Round

Sing and re - joice. Sing and re - joice.

Let all things liv - ing now sing and re - joice.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader Bless the Lord who graced us with family of all kinds.
People **The Lord is a loving God!**

Read by William Rollinson

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Read by William Rollinson

Leader Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you completely, and rightly magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Read by William Rollinson

Leader The Lord be with you
People **And also with you.**
Leader Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32-

35

Read by Sophia Canuel

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 133

Read by Ella Chasse

1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!

2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.

5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

HYMN

Here, O my Lord
Katherine Parker, soloist

Nyack

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;
3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;
an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;
here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;
and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.
here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.
my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

Read by the Rev. Patti Sachs

Leader The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Leader The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

REFLECTIONS

Zacca Jackson, Connor Feldman, Audrey Smith, Gabriella Smith

Some observations and thoughts about Easter, Doubting Thomas, miracles, and faith.

NICENE CREED

Read by Ella Chasse

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III

Read by Grace Feldmann

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Rev. Patti Sachs

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Peace to you
Katherine Parker, *soloist*

Robert Lucas Pearsall

Peace to you, my peace be with you.

As the Father sent me, now I send you.

Receive the Holy Spirit.

My peace I give to you, now and for ever. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and people

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed are those that come in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Margaret and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray together

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

SPECIAL PRAYER AND BLESSING

from the 13th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, www.pcusa.org

Let us celebrate the work and legacy of the youth and young adults whose lives contributed to the civil rights of all people.

Let us encourage the creativity, energy, passion, gifts, and skills of the youth and young adults who surround us.

Let us pray for wisdom and peace as we pursue justice, hope, and love for all people.

And what does God require of us, but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God?

May the grace of Jesus Christ, the love God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. **Amen.**

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL

Priest

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer for the Calling of the Young

Adam called to walk with God
Joseph called to dream
Esther called to free the faithful
Samuel called to serve
Ruth called to find new faith
Jeremiah called to prophesy
David called to slay giants
Mary called bear God among us

In their youth
Their inexperience and their doubt
Uncertain, unsure
Of the future before them
They heard and followed
The call of God

Jesus
Called little ones to show the way to the kingdom
Called a teenager to feed the hungry
Called John into the desert ahead of him
Called fishermen to a new occupation
Called Nathanael to come and see a new way
Called a young man to rise from death
Called a 12 year old girl to get up and live
Called young women, despised, rejected to be in his company

In their youth
Their inexperience and their doubt
Uncertain, unsure
Of the future before them
They heard and followed
The call of Jesus

For Jesus saw and called out of them
Their optimism and imagination
Their courage and adaptability
Their hope and their idealism
Their courage and their sensitivity
Their wisdom and their faith

Now, even now, the Spirit calls the young
To stand up for their faith in the face of persecution
To take their talents and skills to places of danger
To raise their voices in songs of protest
To fan the fire of passionate ideals
To build communities of love and compassion
To teach the old to dream new dreams
To minister and serve for the sake of the Gospel

For in them are planted the seeds of new possibilities
The gifts for the years to come
The insights that will shape the future
The promises that all things will be made new

~ written by Rev Marjory McPherson posted on the Church of Scotland's **Starters for Sunday** website. <http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/>

KEEP CALM AND GO TO YOUTH GROUP

Join us

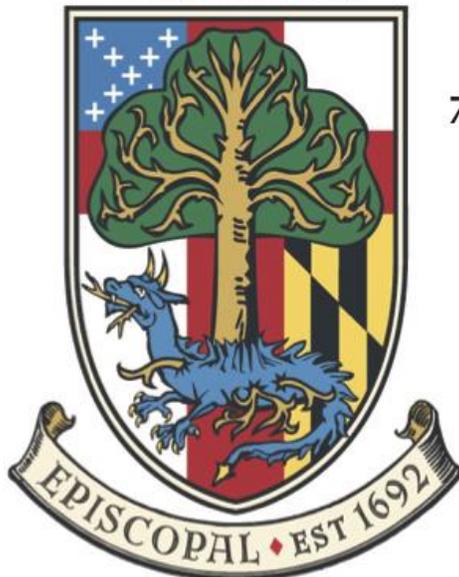
Youth Group Fellowship
Mondays @ 7 p.m.

Middle School Meet-up
Wednesdays @ 7 p.m.

High School Meet-up
Thursdays @ 7 p.m.

Contact Jeff Conover
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Return to In-Person Worship starting April 18

7:30 a.m. - in church - 30 person limit

9:00 & 11:15 a.m. -
outdoors (weather permitting) -
50 person limit

Masks and weekly sign-up required
Bring your own chair

Online service still available at 9:00 a.m.
on social media and website

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The Rev. Peter W. Mayer, Rector
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