

The **CONNECTOR**

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APRIL 2019

For all that has been, thanks. For all that will be, yes.

-Dag Hammerskjöld

Dear Friends,

With both sadness and joy, I write to announce my last Sunday at Middleham & St. Peter's will be May 19th, 2019. The relationships formed and ministry shared over my time at this wonderful parish will remain with me always. All of you and what I have learned here will carry me across this threshold into the next phase of my life and ministry.

My wife, Amanda, and I are both in a season of discernment around where Jesus is calling us to follow him. While where and what is not yet clear, I do know that for me this will involve taking my leave from Middleham & St. Peter's. Dag Hammerskjöld's quote is part of my daily prayers. These words help me to

look back with deep gratitude for the ministry we have shared over these two and a half years. They also help me look forward in hope for what the Spirit has in store both for me and for this parish.

In the coming weeks, my energy will be focused on leaving well and working with you to prepare for a season of change in the life of the parish. I trust that the leadership of this church will work to make staff transitions as smooth as possible. If you have questions about this process, please contact Rev. David Showers or Joan Shisler, our Senior Warden.

On Sunday May 19th I will serve at the 9:30am Middle Service and a reception will follow at 10:30am. You will hear more details as the date approaches. You, my friends and colleagues, will always remain the very foundation of my priesthood. Seeking daily to be the hands of Christ alongside you has been a transformational gift to me. I am forever grateful to each of you. Please keep Amanda and me in your prayers, as you remain in mine.

Peace be with you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah".

The Reverend Sarah Akes-Cardwell

The Transition at MSP



On Tuesday April 2nd the Vestry met with Rev Canon Stuart Wright, Canon for Transitions and Director for Human Resources at the Diocese of Maryland. This is the very first step for us a Middleham and St. Peter's to take as we begin the transition after Fr. David's retirement at the end of July.

There is a process parishes follow in order to call a new rector. The first step is to acknowledge the current rector's time with the parish and have a celebratory farewell which we will do the weekend of July 27 -28. The following weekend Rev Canon Stuart Wright will be at Middleham and St. Peter's to serve at a joint service on August 4th at 9:30am. By then we should have been able to make arrangements with an Interim Rector who will be serving at Middleham and St. Peter's for an extended period of time. He or she will be instrumental in helping us move smoothly through our transition time, which is usually about a year.

During the interim period a Profile Committee and a Search Committee will be formed. The focus of the Profile Committee will be to compile an honest assessment or self-study of Middleham and St. Peter's as a parish; review our history and where we have been, reflect on our current state of affairs, and determine our future needs by looking at the demographics in the congregation and the community. The goal is to present a picture of

the congregation that is both an honest and accurate reflection of its life and work as well as attractive enough to interest clergy who are seeking a new call.

Once a self-study has been created the Search Committee will be charged by the Vestry to “search” for candidates who will be a good fit for MSP. The Search Committee will screen candidates by way of answers to written questions, conversations with references, telephone or zoom interviews, site visits to hear the cleric conduct worship and preach and a final interview at MSP. The Search Committee will then present names of potential final candidates to the Vestry who will prayerfully discern, with God’s help, and offer a call to one candidate.

In the coming weeks and months the congregation will be called upon to help the Profile Committee in their assessment of our past, present and future by giving opinions / thoughts through various means like surveys, focus groups, etc. on the needs and wants of MSP as we move ahead. Your input matters, so be ready to engage!

We are facing change here at Middleham and St. Peter’s and that is not always an easy thing to do. We are also facing a huge opportunity, a clean slate, if you will, which is exciting and promising. Throughout the process we will be assisted by Rev. Wright and the Wardens and the Vestry members will be available to answer your questions and concerns. Updates about the transition will be communicated regularly to the congregation.

So take a deep breath and let’s enjoy this journey together!

Blessings,

Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

Treasurer's Corner

\$1,067.00. That is what your generosity gave in support of our Pancake Supper! Thank you so much!!! We have also discovered that our ice maker is beyond repair and a replacement was purchased and installed using ECW funds. Thank you, ECW for all of your work and support of MSP!



Another item that needs to be addressed is that both of the copiers in our Copy Room are reaching the end of their predicted life expectancy. The Sharp that is primarily used for general copies is printing in barely readable copy. Replacement parts are not really an option any longer. The big Riso copier that is used to print our bulletins and other major printing jobs is on its last leg. The Vestry will consider purchasing one copier to replace both current copiers. Purchasing vice leasing one appears to be the more fiscally prudent option over time, although the initial outlay of funds is more than a monthly leasing fee. Potential estimates range from \$10,000 to \$30,000. More information on this item will be forthcoming as we review our two proposal options and determine the timeframe for replacing our current machines.

Jackie Vos, Treasurer

SPRING DINNER FUNDRAISER

Our Spring Dinner was a huge success as expected. Special thanks to Jim and Dale Yoe, Ryan and Christina Jedrey, Cathy Cosgrove, David Arbuthnot, and the servers without whom this event would not have been possible. Over 70 members and friends attended the dinner on Friday, March 29 and were greeted at the door by Hostess Laura Carpenter. Chef Ryan Jedrey, assisted by Christina Jedrey, and Fr. David Showers, prepared a wonderful meal of crab cakes and beef (thanks to Cathy Cosgrove and Horsmon Farm) with asparagus and red potatoes. Dessert was a flute filled chocolate mousse topped with whipped cream and a raspberry and a cupcake made by Cathryn Yoe Prusia. The main course, salad and dessert were “professionally” served at our tables. Beth Lanier provided beautiful music, rounding out a perfect evening.

We auctioned off several items, all donated: Baskets of Starbucks, Burts Bees, Gardening , Orioles Baseball, Jamaican Coffee and Rum and Wine and Cheese were beautifully displayed and quickly bid on. Also available were gift certificates from Salsas Restaurant, Stoney’s Kingfisher Restaurant, The Ruddy Duck Restaurant, Annmarie Garden Family 4 pack, Calvert Marine Museum Family 4 pack and a round of golf with cart . There was also a plant hanger with 6 pansy plants and a Cookie – of – the Month batch of cookies, offered by Carolyn Steiner, that will be a long-term enjoyment to a lucky bidder. The wine that was served at dinner was also available for purchase and we sold out! The choices were Les Darons Languedoc (red) by Jeff Carrell (2017), Chateau Recogne Bordeaux (white) (2017) and The Expedition Chardonnay (2014)

This fund raising event netted approximately \$4,200! Donations are still being received. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to this event. The funds raised will help lessen our operating budget shortage.

Servers:

Joyce Barony

Anne Hayes

Emily Carpenter

Riley Jedrey

Ethan Carpenter

Jess Kury

Debbie Cole

Kaileigh Weems

Colleen Davies

Lochlan Weems

Special Thanks to:

Anne Gross, Sally Arbuthnot, Carolyn Steiner, Rev. Skip Steiner, Jackie Vos, Diane Davies, Karen Timmons and Joan Shisler.





Findings from the Big Conversation VII:

A Community Conversation on Dismantling Racism: Progress and Challenges in Our Schools

January 27, 2019

An Executive Summary

The Big Conversation series was originated by Middleham and St. Peter's Parish in Lusby to provide opportunities for communitywide civil conversation on topics of concern. This seventh annual Big Conversation, with support from the 12 "Partners in Dismantling Racism in Southern Maryland", was held at Patuxent H.S. on January 27 and drew over 220 participants. The topic was on dismantling racism in our community with a focus on our schools. It began with a panel of local leaders and students sharing their experiences in addressing racism in Southern Maryland school systems. Then in small groups, led by trained facilitators, attendees listened deeply to each other as they shared experiences and stories. How often do we have an opportunity for Blacks and Whites to talk with each other and to share and understand our community and life experiences? The groups considered how we might further dismantle racism in our schools, what needs to be done, and what we, as individuals and a community, can do. The following summarizes the recommendations of the panelists, the small groups, and the attendees.

Listening and Being in Conversation

Racism still exists across our schools. There is a critical need to increase opportunities to listen deeply to each other through conversations like this. It needs to happen at multiple levels: among students, between students, teachers, and administrators, and with parents and the community. It is through listening to each other that we can develop a fuller appreciation and understanding of where and how racism exists and how to address it. We need to be better at listening to students. We need to reach people and parents that may not be open-minded who should be in the conversation. We need to have the courage to address racism when we see it – not be silent. Examples include developing a "DARE" type program to address racism and a pamphlet on how to address racism when encountered.

Teacher Training and Development

When teachers encounter racially sensitive situations or have to present culturally sensitive curricula, they need to be given supports to help them navigate the topics with their students. Teachers need continuing training in equity and implicit bias, the culture and how to deal with conflict. We need to help build up a "teacher toolbox" for addressing implicit bias, hearing student experiences, and continuing to address racism / not one-and-done. Teachers should have ongoing support systems available to them.

Teacher Hiring and Retention / Community Support for Teachers

The racial makeup of teachers in our schools should reflect the student population, and that is not the case by a significant margin. There need to be new and more effective strategies for minority recruitment. We need to value all teachers, including new minority teachers, through a variety of support systems, as is done for military families. Having affordable housing available is a major challenge. As noted in the Kirwan Report, improved local initiatives are needed that encourage current high school students to become teachers.

A More Diverse Curriculum / Accurate and Complete History

White people's perception of people of color is developed from home environment and school curricula. Too often that curricula present an unbalanced, Eurocentric, inaccurate, or incomplete representation of people of color. School curricula should be reviewed and updated to reflect a balanced and complete representation. We

understand that Calvert County is doing an audit of the curriculum that will take three years. Questions were asked about what is being audited, why three years, and the degree of community involvement. Our own local histories are incomplete as well. A better understanding of current race relations begins with our own local history and culture. We should encourage the work of our local library, historical society, churches and county officials to complete the development of an updated local history that can inform both the students, teachers and all residents. Local history and culture should be included in all grades K-12.

Political Action and Support / Leadership

Equity in the schools must be a priority, not an option, both in terms of funding and instruction. Superintendents of schools were represented both on the panel and in the conversations, as were members of the boards of education. County commissioners were not in attendance. All public officials for the schools and counties should be actively involved in conversations and follow up actions around dismantling racism. The Kirwan Commission proposals to the legislature recommend adequate resources to ensure that equitable education should be supported. Make dismantling racism a focus or goal for all aspects of the county – commissioners, business, government, health and medical care, schools, churches, media, NGO’s, watermen, military, library, parks and recreation, etc. – you live here, you have a role to play.

Equity in Administrative Systems

Information was presented on state requirements for each local school system to develop an equity policy – the Maryland Educational Equity Initiative. What is needed is to share those policies and to have systems for accountability and follow up. Too often we set policies and begin initiatives and then they are forgotten or not enforced.

Systems are needed to encourage better access and communication regarding equity concerns – that teachers are relatable, open, and available to students of color, that there are mentors available, and parents know where to go for help – perhaps through an ombudsman.

There is a concern regarding the equitable distribution of resources. We need to analyze data showing how resources are distributed across counties and within schools in terms of equitably responding to race. Disproportionate disciplinary action is a concern and should be addressed. Too often persons of color, especially males in our schools, are singled out for discipline in greater numbers than their percentage in the population. Suggested responses included a need for restorative justice initiatives including community conferencing programs and encouraging more people to serve as role models and mentors.

Further information is available through the following:

Check out our clearinghouse at www.dismantleracism.org for more readings and resources.

The “Building Bridges” booklet was distributed at the event on January 27. It includes a listing of contact information for organizations involved in dismantling racism in Southern Maryland and is on the clearinghouse. It is a great resource if you want to get involved.

Contact us by email – bigconmsp@gmail.com



Brought to you by Middleham and St. Peter’s Parish with **The Big Conversation Partnership for Dismantling Racism in Southern Maryland including:** All Saints Episcopal Church – Sunderland, Calvert County Public Schools, Calvert Library, Calvert NAACP, Community Mediation Centers of Calvert and St. Mary’s Counties, Concerned Black Women of Calvert Co, Emmanuel SDA Church – St. Leonard, Harriet Elizabeth Brown Scholars, Patuxent Friends (Quaker Meeting), St. Mary’s NAACP

Christian Formation

Stay connected weekly by signing up for the MSP Children and Youth Newsletter. Contact Rev. Sarah to be added to the list. assistant.rector@middlehamandstpeters.org or 410-326-4948

Palm Sunday April 14th

9:30am Joint Service: We begin our walk through Holy Week with a Joint Service in Smith Hall. All are invited to participate in a procession of palms outside to begin the service. We close with a powerful reading of the Passion Gospel. Childcare provided.



5-7pm Youth Group: 6th-12th graders meet in Smith Hall to stuff Easter Eggs, play games, and get ready for Holy Week! Friends are encouraged.

Easter Sunday April 21st

Easter Sunday, following the 9:30 service, all children through 5th grade are invited to participate in the annual **Easter Egg Hunt**. Middle and High School youth can help hide eggs after Communion. Kids should bring an Easter basket and a plastic bag for emptying the contents of the eggs after the hunt (we recycle the plastic eggs each year).



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Claggett Summer Camps 2019

Episcopal, Faith-forming, Residential Camps for Grades 2-12

**Ropes Course | Hiking | Swimming | Canoeing | Biking
Campout | Worship | Games**

Looking for a transformational and fun summer camp experience for a young person in your life? Check out Claggett Camps in Adamstown, MD. If you have questions, Rev. Sarah would be happy to talk more with you about this formation experience!

Register Today: www.claggettcenter.org/youth-programs

Senior High Camp (Grades 9-12)
Middle School Camp (Grades 6-8)
Youth Camp (Grades 2-5)
Adventure Camp (Grades 4-8)

June 23-28
July 7-12
July 14-19
July 21-26



Adult Christian Formation

✝ **Coffee and Conversation** continues on Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:30am in the Parish Hall Conference Room. All are welcome! Any questions contact Hugh Davies @ daviesh@comcast.net.

✝ **Coffee and Conversation at Asbury in Solomons on 3rd Friday @ 10:00 AM**

✝ **Bible Study** - Join Fr. Skip Steiner with a small group study each Tuesday @ 11:00 – Noon in the small conference room. We look at the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. Then we reflect based upon “Feasting on The Word”, and engage in discussion. Please join this small group whenever it fits your schedule. It’s informal, and all are welcome.

✝ **Asbury Solomons Episcopal Fellowship** - Episcopal Fellowship Luncheon will be held on April 15, 2019 in the Asbury dining room at noon. The program will be presented by Fr. David Showers, Rector of Middleham & St. Peter's on LENT AND EASTER MEDITATIONS.

Reservations are required by April 11, 2019 at noon. Please respond to Russ Horton at 410-394-3216, or JRHortonSr@comcast.net. The charge for the lunch is \$11.

✝ **Conversations with Fr. David Showers** - “Come Tell Me A Story” Free Drink With A Story Every Wednesday 2:00 – 4:00 PM @ Roy Rogers in Solomons, MD.

Lenten Study: Life – Love – Loss

The Lenten Study is a consideration of two Requiems. Johannes Brahms' A German Requiem and John Rutter's Requiem. The study will be led by the Rev. David Deaderick and Fr. David Showers. Last presentation is on April 3rd will consider John Rutter's requiem. April 3rd will be preceded by a soup and salad pot-luck at 6:15p.m.

St. Mary's Chamber Singers, under the direction of Larry Vote, will perform John Rutter's Requiem at St. Mary's College, APRIL 06, 2019 -@ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ST. MARY'S HALL, AUERBACH AUDITORIUM, This is a free event.

JOHANNES BRAHMS' A GERMAN REQUIEM
&
JOHN RUTTER'S REQUIEM

LENTEN STUDY: LIFE – LOVE – LOSS

April 3rd 6:15 Soup & Salad
Program begins @ 7:00 PM

PRESENTED BY REV. DAVID DEADERICK & FR. DAVID SHOWERS

Middleham & St. Peter's Parish
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**PALM SUNDAY
JOINT SERVICE**

**APRIL 14, 2019 @ 9:30 AM
IN SMITH HALL AT THE PARISH HALL**

**Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Church
10210 HG Trueman RD Lusby, MD 20657**



EASTER

**April 21st
St. Peter's Chapel - 8:30 AM
Smith Hall - 9:30 AM
Easter Egg Hunt - 10:30 AM
Middleham Chapel - 11:15 AM**

PARISH HEALTH



This month is representative of a time when military children can celebrate their strengths and praise their ability to adapt and overcome the hardships of being a military child.

There are many benefits to being someone growing up in a military family. Non-taxed trips to the commissary, short excursions to the pool during stiflingly hot summer days, utilizing the accommodations of the expansive food court, and basking in the tranquility of the private beaches that bring solitude. For every military child, there are memorable times that are recalled frequently when arriving at a military facility. Surrounded by people who serve as mentors and greet you with the enthusiasm of an old friend, the sense of comradery and contentedness engulfs you in a rush of security and comfort. Being a military child means that you have overcome long, treacherous deployments, excruciating goodbyes, and a significant amount of change. However, above all, the ability to adapt and prosper from these changes has strengthened family togetherness and sincerity.

Although being a military child is not always ideal during times of deployment, the inexplicable amount of love that is received from surrounding families is undeniable. Amongst all of the troubling obstacles of being a military child, you always know that you are never alone. There will always be someone within the community and your family to remind you that what you experience will never go unnoticed by others. Pride, honor, and genuinity will always be the core components of a military child, allowing them to thrive under immense pressure and build sturdy relationships in the most unsuspecting of places. This month, take some time to reminisce about the wondrous experiences of either being in a military family or being close to one. Commend the children that are supporting our service members while away, recognize their own personal sacrifice, and be sure that they are aware that their efforts are appreciated.

OUTREACH



Support the Haiti School Nurse Program in Leogane through the Lenten Project

With your support, Middleham & St. Peter's can bring health care to over 1,200 students in three schools who so desperately need it. Fill your mite box, fill the jar in the worship spaces, or write a check to support the project.

(Checks should be made payable to Middleham and St. Peter's with "Haiti Nurse" on the comments line.)

**Please turn in your mite boxes, or checks, Sunday April 7th!
Donations will still be accepted after this date.**

See the website for more info – www.middlehamandstpeters.org/haiti



St. Maries Choral Arts Presents

St. Maries Musica
SHOWSTOPPERS



Spring Concert Series 2019

St. Maries Musica

Saturday, April 13 at 3:00 p.m.

Middleham & St. Peter's Parish Smith Hall

Special Thank-you concert to benefit

The Haiti School Nurse Project

Learn more about us at www.smchoralarts.org



Friends of the Haiti School Nurse Project

Newsletter



Volume 1 Edition 4

March 2019

The First Report is in

We have more news for you from our project. Our liaison to the project and the Board Chair for the Nursing School (FSIL) Dr. Jessie Colin was in Leogane during February and gave us an update. We have also received the first project report. We also know that the supplies (see the last newsletter) have been sent by frieghter from Florida to Haiti and on to the project.

More Children Than Expected – The first reports show a total registered for the program for the three schools as 1240, with the possibility of that number going even higher. As long as good care can be provided to the higher number, that is good news. Information on how the project is adjusting is indicated later in the newsletter.



The care being provided – The nurses addressed the following:

- Skin problems
- Fever and chills
- Abdominal pain – a result of hunger
- Headache
- Infections
- Wounds and abrasions – as you would expect to happen in the schoolyard
- Dysmenorrhea
- Referral to hospital for sutures

Health assessments are continuing.

Arranging for the nurses' schedule with the schools

The challenge for the project is how to best provide care in three schools. Here is the answer. A third nurse will be hired shortly, with a nurse assigned to each school. Fabiola Rejouis is the lead nurse for the project and will coordinate the work of the nurses and student nurses and assure project accountability and reporting. Yola Clervil is the second nurse. The three nurses will split the full-time nurse position three ways. They will be onsite at the school first thing in the morning, and then in the afternoon. FSIL nursing students will go onsite with them as a part of their community nursing and pediatric nursing classes. So, a team of a lead nurse and nursing students will be at each school each day of the week.



Nurse Yola keeping the records Team members Diane and Dale with nursing students

Lent is the time to support the project



We are asking our own parishioners at Middleham and St. Peter's, other churches in our area, and the friends of the project to support us during Lent (March 20 through April 7). Curricula have been prepared for lessons during the period for primary grades, teenagers, and adults. See our website at www.middlehamandstpeters.org/haiti for full information. The mite box at the left is helping to remind our parishioners and friends that their support is needed. We are seeking to raise \$9,000 during this period to complete the funding for the second year.

Your help in reaching this goal and bringing health care to the children who so desperately need it will be most appreciated. If you have questions or would like further assistance, you may contact Hugh Davies at 410-326-0370 or daviesh@comcast.net.

Support for this project is to be sent to: Middleham and St. Peter's Parish
P.O. Box 277, Lusby, MD 20657

**Make check payable to Middleham and St. Peter's Parish
Please note on the memo line: 2019 Haiti Lenten Project**



Mill Creek Middle School

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Lusby, MD 20657

<http://mcmsweb.calvertnet.k12.md.us/>



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Mrs. Beckie Bowen – Principal
Mrs. Trisha Porter – Vice Principal
Ms. Stefanie Goings - Dean

Ms. Kelly Shatzer – School Counselor
Mrs. Patricia Korsan – School Counselor

3/12/19

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to express my appreciation for the Heart F.E.L.T. Program run by Middleham and St. Peter’s Episcopal Church. Heart F.E.L.T. currently supplies Mill Creek Middle School with 22 bags of food each Friday. I have been able to personally see the benefit this food provides to our families.

Parents are so relieved and thankful to know that we offer this program. Many families who need food assistance don’t have transportation or have limited means of transportation. Heart F.E.L.T. helps to alleviate this challenge by enabling school age children to bring home food directly from school. The students have also expressed their appreciation. This program helps them to focus on their academics, alleviate stress, and provides a reliable source of food for them. This program also helps to alleviate the burden we educators sometimes feel to provide food to students who come without.

I hope this letter encourages you to continue funding this program and helping the students of Mill Creek Middle School.

Sincerely,

Patricia Korsan

School Counselor

Mill Creek Middle School



**Food Distribution
Tuesday April 9th Volunteers
Needed @ 1:00 PM**

mark_pesola@hotmail.com

***PASTORAL
CARE***

Middleham and St. Peter's
Episcopal Church

Please notify the parish office when
you, a friend or a loved one is facing
difficult circumstances.

410-326-4948



MayFest

will be here before we know it.

**Saturday, May 4, 2019 – 6:30 a.m. until
12:30 p.m.**

We need you!

Planning has begun for May Fest, the huge Indoor Yard Sale which is the Parish's largest fundraiser.

Can you help?

A MayFest organizational meeting will be held on **Monday, April 29th at 9:30 AM** in the Parish Hall Conference Room. Please come if you can, but if you are unable to be at the meeting, please call Anne Gross (at the parish office, 410-326-4948 or cell 410-610-2706) and let her know how you can help.

Help is needed from everybody in the parish. What is needed?



The week before MayFest (Monday, April 29 to Friday, May 3)

- Helpers to receive donations at Smith Hall and place items in the appropriate location.
- Helpers to price items for the sale.



On MayFest Day

- Helpers to be in the hall **by 6:15 a.m.** to sell things during MayFest.
- Helpers and pickup trucks at **12:30 p.m.** to clear out the hall, reset it for Sunday, and take stuff to the dump.

MayFest details:

Setup begins in Smith Hall on Sunday, April 28, right after the 9:30 am Service Holy Eucharist.

Donations – Donations may be dropped off at Smith Hall anytime after set up. It will be open every day from 9am – 3pm, April 29 until May 3.

White Elephant Sale – May Fest accepts books, small kitchen appliances, electronics, china, glassware, jewelry, garden tools, linens, holiday decorations, small pieces of furniture, children's toys, pictures, and anything else as long as it is in good condition. No clothing, please.

Bake Sale – Parish bakers, we need your help! We need your delicious pound cakes, regular cakes and pies (sweet or savory), cookies, bars, and brownies to sell. Cookies and bars are especially popular. Please bring your home-baked goodies to Smith Hall on Friday afternoon, May 3, or first thing on May Fest morning.

Plant Sale – Reminder: Please bring your plant donations to Smith Hall on Friday, May 3 for pricing. Be sure to label them since unidentified plants are hard to sell. We can use pots that are 6 inches in diameter or less. And we can always use more help. A green thumb is not required.

Raffle – Chocolate Basket, Wine Basket, Champagne basket, \$25 gift certificate Boomerangs, \$25 gift certificate from Anglers, \$25 gift certificate from Lotus Kitchen, \$25 Gift certificate to The Pier, \$25 Gift certificate Subway, \$25 Gift certificate from Stoney's Kingfisher, \$50 gift certificate from the Island Hideaway, Oil Change – Larry's Auto Shop (5 quarts plus filter), \$25 gift certificate from Weis, \$25 gift certificate from Giant and Possibly more prizes!

In addition to the raffle prizes, there will be a 50/50 raffle. Tickets for the raffle are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

If you can volunteer your time at any point during the set up week (April 29-May 3) or on MayFest day (Saturday, May 4), please consider coming to help the Parish in the fundraiser effort!



Monday, April 1st @ 9:00 AM Labyrinth Committee Meeting

Monday, April 1st @ 6:30 PM Drum Circle class

Tuesday, April 2nd @ 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, April 2nd, 12th, 19th & 26th @ 11:00 AM Bible Study

Tuesday, April 2nd & 16th @ 6:30 PM Evening Meditation in Smith Hall - Open to all, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Tuesday, April 2nd @ 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, April 3rd @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - The Southern Maryland Job Source Van - SMILE

Wednesday, April 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th @ 10:30 AM HeartFELT packing volunteers welcome

Wednesday, April 3rd, 10th, @ 2:00 - 4:00 PM Fr. David Showers at Roy Rogers

Wednesday, April 3rd @ 6:15 PM Optional Soup & Salad, 7:00 PM Lenten Study

Wednesday, April 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th @ 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 1684

Thursday, April 4th & 11th @ 6:15 Bell Choir

Thursday, April 4th & 11th & 25th @ 7:00 PM Education For Ministry (EFM)

Saturday, April 6th @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM St. Mary's Chamber Singers, under the direction of Larry Vote,

will perform John Rutter's Requiem at St. Mary's College, ST. MARY'S HALL, AUERBACH

AUDITORIUM, This is a free event.

Monday, April 8th @ 3:00 PM - Daughters of the King

Tuesday, April 9th @ 11:00 AM Planned Giving Meeting

Tuesday, April 9th @ 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep time, volunteers needed

Wednesday, April 10th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM A Nurse Practitioner and the Health Van, sponsored by Calvert Memorial Hospital, will be at SMILE.

Thursday, April 11th @ 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting

Friday, April 12th @ 10:00 AM – Books & Banter Mystery Book Club @ Roy Rogers

Saturday, April 13th @ 3:00 PM St. Maries Musica Concert – Outreach- Haiti School Nurse Project

Sunday, April 14th @ 9:30 Palm Sunday Joint Service in Smith Hall

Monday, April 15th @ Noon Asbury Episcopal Fellowship & Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, April 16th @ 5:00 – 6:00 PM Middleham Chapel Open 3rd Tuesdays each month

Wednesday, April 17th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM HIV VAN at SMILE

Thursday, April 18th @ 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Meal & Service

Friday, April 19th @ 11:30 AM Good Friday Procession from St. Peter's Chapel to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church (new church building behind the Historic Church next to public parking) for Service at Noon.

Friday, April 19th @ 7:00 PM Good Friday Stations of the Cross in Smith Hall

Saturday, April 20th @ 7:00 PM Holy Saturday – Vigil in Smith Hall

Sunday, April 21st Easter At All Three Worship Services Regular Times – Easter Egg Hunt @ 10:30 Middleham Campus

Monday, April 29th @ 9:30 AM MayFest Planning Meeting



Connector Article Deadlines

The deadline for submissions for MAY EDITION is MONDAY APRIL 15TH.

Thanks so much, [Karen Timmons, Communications](#)



Palm Sunday, April 14th

9:30 AM - Smith Hall - Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Eucharist, and the Passion of Christ

Maundy Thursday, April 18th

**6:00 PM - Smith Hall - Agape Meal (pot luck, meat & beverages provided) & Foot Washing
Holy Eucharist – Smith Hall**

Good Friday, April 19th

11:30 AM - Procession from St. Peter's Chapel to Our Lady Star of the Sea

12:00 PM - Ecumenical Service at Our Lady Star of the Sea

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – Smith Hall

Holy Saturday, April 20th

7:00 PM - Easter Vigil – Smith Hall

Easter Sunday, April 21st

8:30 AM - Holy Eucharist - St. Peter's Chapel

9:30 AM - Holy Eucharist - Smith Hall

10:30 AM - Easter Egg Hunt

11:15 AM - Holy Eucharist - Middleham Chapel



APRIL BIRTHDAY

Kristina Jedrey	04/01
Paul Perks	04/02
Betty Miller	04/04
Bill Miller	04/06
Kaileigh Weems	04/10
Paul Fuller	04/11
Virginia Binger	04/12
Rachel Clift	04/12
Andy Connolly	04/12
Gail Hoerauf-Bennett	04/14
Leyna Magee	04/24
Colin Shisler	04/24
Jane Surles	04/26
David Tonacci	04/29



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

John & Sharleen Wagner	04/16
Bernie & Betty Helms	04/16
George & Betty Eble	04/19
Andy & Karin Roscoe	04/20

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Each month birthdays and anniversaries of parishioners are listed in the Connector. But our records are not perfect. Even some very long-standing parishioners are not listed. Have you seen your date(s) listed? If not or if you are not sure, please call the office (410-326-4948) to check. We want everyone included!



April 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	
	1 APRIL FOOLS DAY 9:00 AM Labyrinth Committee Meeting 5:00 PM Girl Scouts 5145 6:00 PM AA MTG 6:30 PM Drum Circle Class	2 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 11:00 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Mindfulness 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting 8:00 PM AA Meeting	3 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10-2:00 PM JobSource Van @ SMILE 10:30 AM HEARTFELT 2:00 PM Fr. David @ Roy Rogers 6:15 PM Soup & Salad 7:00 PM Lenten Study 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	4 6:15 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM EFM	5 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	6 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 3:00 – 4:00 PM John Rutter's Requiem at St. Mary's College 7:00 PM AA Meeting	
7 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 10:30 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM HE Middleham	8 12:00 PM SMILE Luncheon 3:00 PM Daughters of the King 6:00 PM AA Meeting	9 11:00 AM Planned Giving Meeting 11:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep 2:00 PM Food Distribution 8:00 PM AA Meeting	10 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10:00 – 2:00 Health Van @ SMILE 10:30 AM HEARTFELT Packing 2:00 PM Fr. David @ Roy Rogers 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	11 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting 6:15 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM EFM	12 10:00 AM Books & Banter Mystery Book Club @ Roy Rogers in Solomons 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	13 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 3:00 PM St. Maries Musica Concert to benefit Haiti School Nurse Project 7:00 PM AA Meeting	
14 PALM SUNDAY JOINT SERVICE 9:30 AM HE in Smith Hall 5:00 PM Youth Group	15 12:00 PM Asbury Episcopal Fellowship & Holy Communion 5:00 PM Girl Scouts 5145 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 Musica	16 11:00 AM Bible Study 5:00 – 6:00 PM Middleham Chapel Open to Community 6:30 PM Meditation Evening 8:00 PM AA Meeting	17 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10:00 – 2:00 HIV Van 10:30 AM HEARTFELT Packing 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	18 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Meal & Service	19 GOOD FRIDAY 11:00 Am Procession St. Peter's Chapel to OLSS Service @ Noon 5:00 PM Girl Scouts 2762/4545 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross	20 HOLY SATURDAY 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM Vigil in Smith Hall 7:00 PM AA Meeting	
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