

The **CONNECTOR**

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The Rev. David G. Showers, Rector
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The Rev. Skip Steiner, Adjunct Clergy

FEBRUARY 2019

Dear Friends;

It has been my honor and privilege for the last eleven years to serve as the Rector of Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Parish. During that time as a parish we have been involved in a growing variety of ministries to our members, the local community, and the larger world.

The time has come for me to retire as your Rector. My last Sunday will be the 28th of July. Over the coming months plans will be made for what will happen as part of the services on that day.

Thank you for the love and support of Bruce and myself over these years of ministry together. I also appreciate your willingness to try on new adventures of faith over these years. I see a strong and vibrant future for the congregation. It is my firm belief that God has abundant blessings in store for this community in the years ahead.

Please hold your wardens, Joan Shisler and Jim Yoe along with the members of the vestry in your prayers as they guide the church through this time of transition.

Blessing and God's Peace,

David G. Showers, Rector

Annual Parish Meeting 2019



AGENDA

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| • Welcome | Father Showers | 5 min. |
| • Vestry Elections | Joan Shisler | 5 min. |
| • Tom Briggs | | |
| • Laura Carpenter | | |
| • Franz Kury | | |
| • Karen Wilson (filling Jackie Vos's Position) | | |
| • Welcome Connect | Karen Timmons | 10 min. |
| • 2018 Projects | Jim Yoe | 15 min. |
| • 2019 Budget | Jim Yoe | 10 min. |
| • Closing | Father Showers | |



Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Case Study – Church Growth and Vitality Through Communication and Evangelism

CASE STUDY PURPOSE & COMMITMENT

- Our goal set forth in our first year grant application and second year, was to develop a case study. This we hoped would enable other parishes, both from the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland and Diocese of Washington, especially those that were similar to ours, geographically and demographically to learn from our experience.
- At the conclusion of putting the case study together, it became apparent that this document was also a road map for Middleham and St. Peter's Parish on their own continued journey.
- We met this commitment and submitted the case study to the diocese on December 22, 2018.

End of Phase 1 2016 – 2018

- When we reached then end of our Grant funding and filed a final report to the Diocese in November 2018, it was determined that the current Vitality Team should disband with the intention of regrouping in a modified form in Phase 2. The timeline for this is currently undetermined as we move into a transition period.
- The Steering Committee was also dissolved, but the sub-groups that were focusing on age specific targets and events could continue to move forward with their goals.
- The coach would still be available for consultation through March 2019. There is still a lot of useful information that the coach has already given and can still share with us that we can apply to our future needs, as we continue our journey to grow our church.

Thank You Goes Out To The Steering Committee And The Vitality Team 2016 – 2018

Steering Committee

Fr. David Showers
Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell
Hugh Davies, Project Leader
Joan Shisler
Karen Timmons

Vitality Team

Josh Bowen	Mike Kolenick
Elizabeth Broadus	Megan Lewis
Anne Gross	Kristin Sandusky
Diane Davies	Fr. Skip Steiner
Anne Hayes	Mark Tonacci
Ricky Hayes	John Wilson

Middleham and St. Peter's Parish Building Repairs Your Building for a Greater Ministry Contributions at Work



Emergent Cupola Repairs – February 2018 Project Costs \$9,504.00

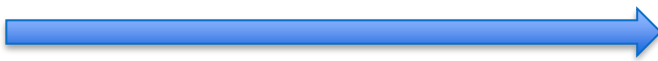


Kitchen Renovations in March and April 2018 Renovation Costs

- Materials \$ 3,500.00
- Electrical Work \$ 2,250.00
- Flooring \$ 875.00
- Countertops Donated
- New Cabinets Donated
- New Refrigerator and Freezer Donated
- Labor (8 Weeks) Donated
- Project Cost \$6,625.00
- Donations \$10,000.00
- Estimated Contractor Costs \$45,000.00
- **Savings \$28,375.00**



Parish Hall Sacristy & Memorial – 2018



Adopt a Door Painting, April-October 2018 Renovation Costs – Adopt A Door

- Paint and Supplies \$ 500.00
- Labor Cost \$ 0.00
- Total Cost \$ 500.00
- Estimated Painter Costs \$5,000.00
- **Savings \$4,500.00**



**St. Peter's Mildew Repairs - Project Cost = \$ 4,761.00
(Inspect / Abate / Repair / Paint)**



**Middleham Chapel Renovations
May-November 2018**

Renovation Costs

- Repair bell tower and replace existing roof = \$38,000.00
- Repair Sacristy, Vesting Room and Naive = \$14,182.00
- Replace damaged Cabinets = \$260.00 (materials only)
- Install new countertops = \$2,586.33
- Replace Cabinets in Vesting Room = Donation
- Repair and Refinish Sacristy Floor = Donation
- Total Cost of repairs = \$55,028.33
- **Savings** = **\$ 2,500.00**



Emergent Furnace Replacement For the Parish Hall in March & December 2018

Project Costs

- Replacement Furnace Office Side = \$ 7,660.00
- Replacement Furnace Smith Hall = \$ 4,762.00
- Total Projects = \$12,422.00



Total Project Costs for 2018

- Total Expensed for all projects = \$84,079.00
- Total Donated materials & Labor = \$35,375.00

2019 Operating Budget Review

Budget History

Budget verses Pledge Income						
Item		2016	2017	2018	2019	
Pledge Income		\$329,697	\$313,646	\$317,726	\$284,506	
Budget Income Total		\$390,535	\$367,846	\$366,926	\$315,306	
Budget Expense Total		\$394,864	\$367,098	\$373,908	\$332,664	
Budget Deficit		(\$4,329)	(\$748)	(\$12,336.74)	(\$17,358.12)	

What's Been Done to Balance the Budget?

- Reduced Salary increases for staff members
- Reducing Clergy staff later this year
- Trimmed budget to only include operating expense
 - Christian Formation move to Endowment Fund
 - Parish Health move to Endowment Fund
- Current years budget (2018) was balanced by one time gifts from parishioners

Why is there a shortfall?

- Reduced pledge income (Down 14% in 3 years)
- Reduced reliance on Endowment Interest (Removed as a source of income)
- Increasing Operating Expenses
 - Salaries
 - Health Care
 - Utilities



BISHOP EUGENE T. SUTTON VISITS MIDDLEHAM AND ST. PETER'S PARISH



On Sunday, February 3, 2019 Bishop Eugene Sutton visited Middleham and St. Peter's Parish. Prior to the Joint 9:30 am service, Bishop Sutton met with the Vestry. With all members present, we introduced ourselves to Bishop Sutton and answered his questions; how long have you been at Middleham and St. Peter's and what puts a smile on your face about MSP? The answers for length of time ranged from 6 years to 44 years. The answers for generating a smile were plentiful. We are a close-knit community, a far-reaching family that offers camaraderie to fellow parishioners and genuinely welcomes everyone. Our active engagement in outreach missions and ministry and the willingness for people to pitch in, be involved and support one another occurs daily. Bishop Sutton cited and applauded our efforts in outreach ministry such as, the HeartFELT backpacks, the Food Drops, the Mission Trips, the Haiti Nurse Program, the Helpful Harvest Garden, the JobSource Van, the Health and HIV Vans, volunteering at SMILE and the Big Conversations. We do not shy away from having hard conversations and a willingness to try new things. We appreciate that the Eucharistic table is open to all wherever they are on their faith journey. In short, Middleham and St. Peter's offers each of us many opportunities to smile every day.

The conversation then shifted to the transition we will be facing when Fr. David retires in July 2019. We realize there are many challenges we will face as we discern where we are as a parish, where we see ourselves going in the near future and what qualities we hope to find in a new rector. We acknowledge that our unique situation of maintaining three worship spaces and the need to honor tradition weighs

heavily as we contemplate the needs and wants of a community that is currently in a cycle of being, in the Bishop's words, "not a great church going culture," which he sees across the state and in the church nationwide. We also need to be fiscally mindful as we move forward in our attempt to survive and thrive. This transition will give Middleham and St. Peter's the opportunity to take a good look at ourselves and find out where our hope for the future lies.

At the Joint Service in Smith Hall, Bishop Sutton preached and served at Holy Eucharist. His sermon focused on love, citing the passage from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13. Using humor and even a reference to 60's music lyrics (Love is all you need, What the World Needs Now is Love, etc.) Bishop Sutton made the point that love is more than a feeling, it is concrete and we all should live into and put into practice the kind of love that Jesus advocated. This love evolves as we move from childhood to adulthood and we learn the importance of sharing and caring about others and how vital it is for all of us to listen to one another. He said, "listening is the art of putting on the skin of another and wearing it for awhile." These words set the stage for the conversation Bishop Sutton led with the congregation after the service.

In the Question and Answer session with the congregation Bishop Sutton began by citing several controversial noteworthy events that have recently been in the news. Promoting the lineage of Jesus Christ, Martin Luther King, Jr., Desmond Tutu and Gandhi, he said it was important to tip the scales towards non-violence and reparation and not give in to racial fear, hatred or retribution. Nothing much is gained by shaming a person for committing grievous acts, as our culture is prone to do, but rather hold them accountable in some productive way and give them the opportunity to conduct meaningful conversations, engage in positive actions and call for restitutions that pave the way for more positive outcomes in the future.

On a lighter note, Bishop Sutton entertained questions about our transition, a process that will include moving from a fond, celebratory farewell for Fr. David, to the arrival of an interim rector, then undertaking a search for and ultimately hiring and celebrating the arrival a new priest. Our congregation is unquestionably up to the task ahead of us and the diocese will offer support to us on this adventure through the different stages. While visits from Bishop Sutton are few and far between, it is always a pleasure to have him here. His presence is definitely enlightening and we thank him for being with us, sharing worship and conversation.

Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

Treasurer's Corner

February begins the race for getting your taxes completed by April 15. While it seems like two months is plenty of time, it always seems to get here before we are ready. This year tax time may be especially arduous because of the new tax rates and even new rules for estate planning and gift annuities. There are several ways you can find affordable tax assistance if you need it. If you can, try to touch base with a financial expert so that they may advise you on the best way to move forward with your investments and financial planning.

Did you know that the IRS has published "The Taxpayer Bill of Rights"? Essentially this outlines a taxpayer's right to be informed of clear explanations of the laws, tax procedures, and tax forms (also notices, publications, and correspondence). In addition, taxpayers have the right to: quality service, pay no more than the correct amount of tax, challenge the IRS and to be heard when disputing IRS actions or appealing an IRS decision. Expect that the IRS inquiry would be no more intrusive than necessary and that any information the IRS obtains would not be disclosed unless authorized by the taxpayer. You are also entitled to retain representation, and most important, have a Right to a Fair and Just Tax System!

Forms, publications, and additional information can be found at www.irs.gov.

Jackie Vos, Treasurer

Seventh Annual Big Conversation on Progress and Challenges in our Schools a Big Success

On Sunday, January 27 over 200 people from the greater Southern Maryland community and beyond gathered for the seventh annual **Big Conversation: Progress and Challenges in our Schools**, a civil conversation on dismantling racism and equality. If you were not in attendance you missed an extraordinary event. People of all ages from high school students (Patuxent High School was well represented) to grandparent types and civic leaders spent the afternoon in civil conversation on the topic.



The event was in three parts, starting with a panel discussion led by moderator David Deaderick. The panel members were:

- Pamela Cousins – Board of Education member for Calvert County Schools
- Dr. Daniel Curry – Superintendent of Schools for Calvert County
- Guthrie Smith – Calvert County educator and retired member of the Maryland Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education
- Dr. Janice Walthour – St. Mary’s County educator, immediate past president of the St. Mary’s NAACP and a trustee for the College of Southern Maryland
- Col. William (Will) Wiggins – parent and chair of the Calvert Citizens Advisory Committee to CCPS
- Bernard Wood – a senior at Patuxent High School
- Josh Martinez – a sophomore at Patuxent High School

The discussion was an opportunity to inform the audience and prompt conversation in the small groups that followed. The adult panelists presented their statistics and perceptions on equality, legislation and

implementation of strategic plans. The students articulated the reality of their experience of being a minority in the classroom over a 12- and 10-year period respectively.

Following the panel discussion, everyone participated in small group discussions led by trained facilitators from the Mediation Centers of Calvert and St. Mary's Counties. There was a dynamic response to probing questions around equity in the schools ranging from policy issues to practical matters involving students in the classroom. People told their stories and shared ideas.

The final part was a regathering of all for report outs from groups by the facilitators. Also, each participant received a copy of the new edition of the pamphlet **Building Bridges** created by Vicki Rhoades. This booklet lists the organization in Southern Maryland who are working on different aspects toward dismantling racism and ideas as to how individuals can be involved.

The Big Conversation Committee and its partners are now in the process of analyzing and summarizing the information received in the form of the panel discussion, the small group charts, the facilitator reports and the Exit Cards to create a **White Paper Report** for the Southern Maryland Community and beyond. Watch for more about the **White Paper Report** in the March Connector.

The committee wishes to thank the more than 40 volunteers who helped make this event successful.



The Big Conversation Committee of Middleham and St. Peter's Parish

Christian Formation

Sunday School for all ages is offered from 10:30-11:30am in the Parish Hall. In addition to these ongoing offerings, check out these ways to engage your faith and get connected!

Special February Children and Youth Activities

Sunday 2/10: Youth Group Gathering, 5-7pm

All middle and high school youth are invited to join in making Valentine cards and cookies for our neighbors at Asbury. Cookies and cards will be made during the morning Sunday School hour of 2/10 and delivered that evening from 5-7pm. We'll meet at Smith Hall and then drive to Asbury. Friends are always welcome!

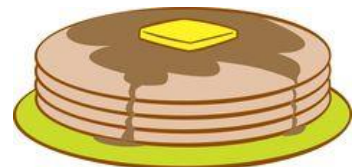


Sunday 2/17: Special Activities During the Sunday School Hour

Regular Sunday School classes will take a break for President's Day Weekend. Instead, inter-generational activities will be offered from 10:30-11am.

Tuesday 3/5: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! 5-7pm

This annual event brings the community together in celebration before the season of Lent begins on March 6th. Make plans now to attend this breakfast-for-dinner feast in Smith Hall! Children and youth serve as wait staff, and flapjack flipping is to you by your clergy and wardens.



**SHROVE
TUESDAY**

Lent Sunday School Preview!

The season of Lent begins on March 6th with Ash Wednesday. This year will feature a special addition to our Christian Formation offerings! On Sunday mornings in Lent our children and youth will be incorporating devotions and learnings from the **Health Care for Haiti's Children Through School Nursing** curriculum. Created by members of the Middleham & St. Peter' Haiti School Nurse Project team, the curriculum is being shared with other churches to incorporate into their formation offerings. Using this curriculum will help raise awareness about the important ministry partnership our church has with school nurses and school children in Haiti.

Each of the five Sundays in Lent, we'll spent part of the Sunday School hour focusing on a different aspect our partnership with Haiti. We'll begin by learning about Haiti and what life is like in Leogane, the town where the school nurse project is based. Additionally, we'll meet the school nurses and the schools our parish is working with in Haiti,



and focus on what we as individuals and as a church can support this ministry. Each week features educational information, a scriptural devotion, reflection questions, and prayer designed for different age groups.

Parish-wide we will all be learning more about this ministry partnership and have opportunities to raise money through donations and collecting spare change over the Lenten season. All funds raised go to the Haiti School Nurse Project for nurses' compensation, supplies, and equipment. Please contact Hugh Davies or Rev. Sarah to learn more about this Lenten Christian Formation offering.

****Stay connected on a weekly basis by signing up for the MSP Children and Youth Newsletter. Email Rev. Sarah if you'd like to be added to the mailing list!****

Have questions? Contact Rev. Sarah

assistant.rector@middlehamandstpeters.org or 410-326-4948

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.

✝ **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** will meet on February 18 , 2019 at 12 pm in the Asbury Riverview Dining Room. The program will be a presentation by Rev. Ruth Dixon on the use and symbolism of Prayer Beads. Communion will be offered after the program. Required reservations must be made to Russ Horton 410-394-3216 JRHortonSr@comcast.net by February 14th at noon.

✝ **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.



**ASH
WEDNESDAY
SCHEDULE
MARCH 6, 2019**

9:00 AM Middleham Chapel
10210 HG Trueman RD
Lusby, MD 20657

7:00 PM St. Peter's Chapel
14590 Solomons Island Road S.
Solomons, MD 20688

Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Parish

Coffee and Conversation at Asbury



Come Join Us! On Friday

FEBRUARY 15TH at 10:00 am

In the Clubhouse at Asbury

We want to invite you to coffee and conversation at Asbury - which is really Bible study and relating it to our everyday life. Program leaders Dr. Charles Bennett, Claude Martin and Hugh Davies want you to know that, while our program has a foundation of Bible study (the Reading Between the Lines curriculum), our focus is on the discussion. Coffee and Conversation has been a very successful Sunday morning program following the middle service for several years. The leaders thought that it would be a great idea to bring it to Asbury residents once a month during the week. It is also a good way to have our Middleham and St. Peter's parishioners at Asbury enjoy this program and to invite your friends.

You certainly do not have to be a student of the Bible to learn in the sessions, or prepare ahead of time. All who have participated appear to enjoy the conversation. We will have coffee and munchies available.

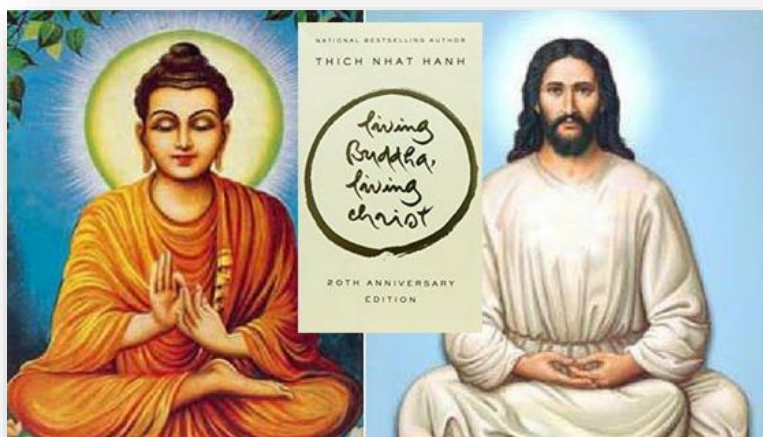
So come join us!

Hugh, Charles, and Claude

PS – call Hugh if you have questions at 410-326-0370

“Living Buddha Living Christ”

Book Study Group



If you were not able to attend in January due to the inclement weather, no worries, advance to Chapters 3 & 4.

The book study group will meet next on February 20, 2019 and meet monthly through May every third Wednesday at 11 AM at Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, in the small conference room in the Parish Hall.

The group will be reading and discussing *Living Buddha, Living Christ* by Thich Nhat Hahn. Karen Timmons will facilitate the group.

"The bestselling author of "Peace is Every Step," and one of the most beloved Buddhist teachers in the West, Vietnamese monk Thich Nhat Hanh has been part of a decades-long dialogue between the two greatest living contemplative traditions, and brings to Christianity an appreciation of its beauty that could be conveyed only by an outsider. In a lucid, meditative prose, he explores the crossroads of compassion and holiness at which the two traditions meet, and reawakens our understanding of both. "On the altar in my hermitage," he says, "are images of Buddha and Jesus, and I touch both of them as my spiritual ancestors."

(from Goodreads.com)

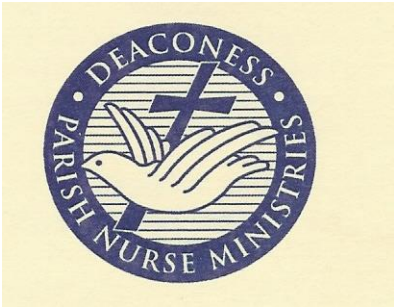
Each month we will cover two chapters, the book entails ten chapters total. A study guide will be available. A few copies will be available at Middleham and St. Peter's Parish Office. A PDF link for printing will be available in the Weekly Emails, on Middleham and St. Peter's Website, also on Simple Spiritual Shift Website (Personal site of Karen Timmons) and also on both Facebook pages.

If you are interested and would like to participate or have questions,

please contact Karen at 410-231-2227 or email her at Simplespiritualshift@gmail.com,

And at the Parish office, 410-326-4948 and communications@middlehamandstpeters.org

Parish Health



February is Healthy Heart Month!

As most people know- Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Church has 3 AED's (Automated External Defibrillators), These are life-saving machines located at:

Just inside the front door of **St. Peter's Chapel**, to the left in the **Parish Hall** hallway above the fire extinguisher and in the alcove of the **Middleham Chapel**.

As we begin February, please be sure to locate these in whichever place you worship. Our job as the health ministry team is to help your mind, body and spirit. For your **body**- Remember to watch your weight, eat heart healthy foods and know your numbers. Ask about getting your cholesterol checked and let one of the parish health team know if you would like our BP checked.

For your **mind**- let us know if there is anything bothering you that we may be able to help with and remember about loving one another. We want you to think especially the love of our Pets. Our discussion on "**Do Pets Have Souls**" will be coming up on February 17th @2PM. *Come join our discussion!*

For your spirit- remember that God love all of us. John 3:16 is one of my favorite verses- "*for God so loved the world that he gave his son that whoever believes in him would have everlasting life*".

Hope this is a very healthy new year for all- Please let us know what programs you are interested in as we begin this year.

Dale Yoe, Parish Nurse



"Do Pets Have Souls?"

A Discussion Presented by the Parish Health Team

Fr. David Showers & Dale Yoe

Middleham & St. Peter's Episcopal Church, in Smith Hall

10210 HG Trueman RD, Lusby, MD 20657

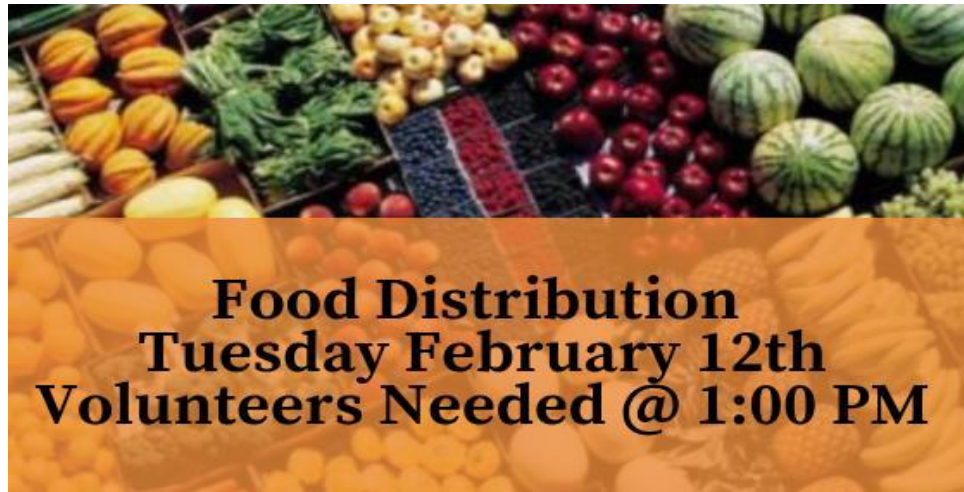
February 17th @ 2:00 PM

HIV TESTING VAN AT SMILE



There was good interest and response to the HIV testing at SMILE on Wednesday, January 16th. The plan is to have the van come to SMILE on the third Wednesday of the month. The van and testing are a project of the Charles County Health Department in cooperation with the Calvert Health Department. Arrangements were made through a suggestion of the Mobile Career Center's staff person Hans Welch to MSP. The Charles County staff are Gena Edwards and Corrine Cockrell.

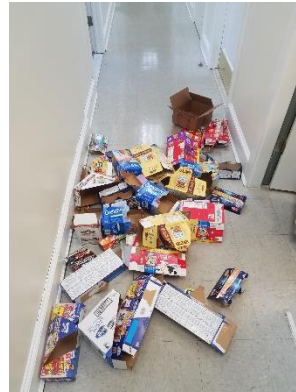
OUTREACH



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Heart FELT backpacks which feeds 36 local children weekly is an parish wide team effort to serve our community. Lately, I have been reflecting on all aspects of the program and realized that there are many of you quietly supporting our ability to make this program work through prayer, donation and action. We pack bags full of food (as in the first photo) but look what we produce? Recycling!!! The second photo shows a typical weekly pile of cardboard produced from food packaging. I carefully pack the cardboard into the recycle bins but then what happens? One of our very own members, Charles Bennett, hauls that plus more each week to the recycling center.



Thank you for all the visible and invisible team members that support this program!

Elizabeth Broadus, MSP Coordinator

Calvert County Homeless Shelter



ECHO House is Calvert County's homeless shelter. Located in Prince Frederick, it is a non-profit ecumenical organization supported by over 20 Calvert County churches. Since 2003, we have provided the evening meal on the fourth Monday of every month. Many parishioners, individually or in groups - including our youth groups - have fixed meals.

Meals can be simple - a casserole or soup, or it can be a meat-starch-vegetable meal. Generally a dessert and a gallon or two of some sort of juice or milk are included. What complicates the meal is that there typically are about 40 residents in the shelter. It is becoming common for two or three families to get together to do a meal. Thanks to a grant from the Endowment Fund, \$40 can be reimbursed per month to someone making a meal. Only two months have volunteers so far.

So please contact Anne Gross to sign-up for an available month.

Parish Office @ 410-326-4948 or office@middlehamandstpeters.org

“Evening Meditation”

Evening Meditation will be held each month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays and
“SPECIAL” 5th Tuesdays @ 6:30 - 8:00 PM

"We will come together for sitting and walking meditation, followed by a discussion on practicing mindfulness in daily life." This offering is sponsored by Southern Maryland Meditation Community. There is no registration required. Drop-Ins Welcome, open to all in the community. This event is held at Middleham and St. Peter's Parish in Smith Hall.



Theme For 2019 is Compassion

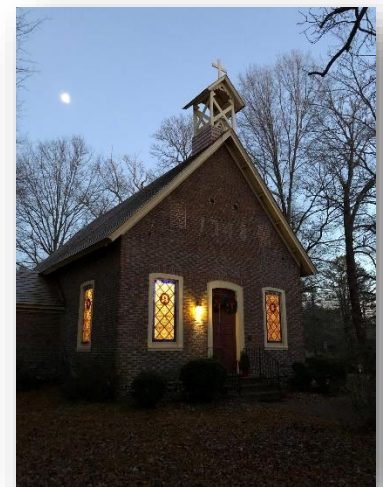
February 5th & 19th

For information – Ellie Steveling 443-404-8398 or info@somdmeditationcommunity.org

Middleham Chapel Open To The Community

**3rd Tuesdays 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM For Personal Prayer,
Reflection or Meditation
February 19th**

You can bring something to read or just sit and enjoy the quiet. You are welcome to stay 10 minutes or an hour, whatever is needed. Meditation evening begins at 6:30 in Smith Hall sponsored by The Southern MD Meditation Community. All are welcome.





Monday, February 4th @ 5:00 PM Community Life Center Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th @ 11:00 AM Bible Study

Tuesday, February 5th & 19th @ 6:30 PM Evening Meditation in Smith Hall - Open to all, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Tuesday, February 5th @ 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, February 6th @ 9:00 AM Big Conversation Partners Meeting

Wednesday, February 6th @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - The Southern Maryland Job Source Van - SMILE

Wednesday, February 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th @ 10:30 AM HeartFELT packing volunteers welcome

Wednesday, February 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th @ 2:00 – 4:00 PM “Tell Me A Story” Fr. David Showers at Roy Rogers

Wednesday, February 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th @ 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 1684

Thursday, February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th @ 6:15 Bell Choir

Thursday, February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th @ 7:00 PM Education For Ministry (EFM)

Friday, February 8th @ 10:00 AM – Books & Banter Mystery Book Club @ Roy Rogers

Sunday, February 10th @ 3:30 BC White Privilege PotLuck

Monday, February 11th @ 3:00 PM - Daughters of the King

Tuesday, February 12th @ 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, February 12th @ 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep time, volunteers needed

Wednesday, February 13th @ 9:00 AM Big Conversation Planning Meeting

Wednesday, February 13th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM A Nurse Practitioner and the Health Van, sponsored by Calvert Memorial Hospital, will be at SMILE.

Wednesday, February 13th @ 6:00 PM Outreach Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 14th @ 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting

Friday, February 15th @ 10:00 Coffee and Conversation @ Asbury in Solomons

Sunday, February 17th @ 2:00 PM Parish Health presents “Do Pets Have Souls?”

Monday, February 18th President’s Day Office Closed

Monday, February 18th @ Noon Asbury Episcopal Fellowship & Holy Eucharist

Monday, February 18th @ 7:00 PM Finance Meeting

Tuesday, February 19th @ 5:00 – 6:00 PM Middleham Chapel Open 3rd Tuesdays each month

Wednesday, February 20th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM HIV VAN at SMILE

Wednesday, February 20th @ 11:00 AM (Living Buddha Living Christ” Book Study Group)



Connector Article Deadlines

The deadline for submissions for MARCH EDITION is WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 13TH
due to short month.

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

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!



March 5, 2019 Evening Meditation, Will be located in Middleham Chapel

March 6th – Ash Wednesday

✝ 9:00 AM Service – Middleham Chapel

✝ 7:00 PM Service – St. Peter's Chapel

March 12th All Staff Meeting & Vestry Moved from the 5th

March 13th & 20th 6:15 PM Soup & Salad 7:00 PM Lenten Program

March 23rd Workshop Day From Mindfulness & Relaxation Apps to Creating Finger Labyrinths

March 27th 7:00 PM Lenten Program

March 29th – Spring Dinner Fundraiser

Inclement Weather Policy

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In situations where weather conditions may make travel perilous, some combination of the Rector, Senior Warden, and Junior Warden together with advice or recommendation from parishioners (depending on the circumstances) will make a decision about closing Middleham and St. Peter's facilities (the office or cancelling services). The decision will be publicized by any or all of the following:

- Notice on the parish web site, and Facebook page.
- Email to all receiving the weekly Parish emails.
- Putting a special message on the office telephone.
- Telephoning key parishioners and asking them to spread the word.





FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

Bryan Carpenter 02/01
 Cheri Campbell 02/02
 Lauren Rivers 02/05
 Michael Stanton 02/06
 Rick Greenlee 02/07
 Elizabeth Broadus 02/10
 John Wagner 02/12
 Janet Werner 02/12
 Justin Forrest 02/13
 Betty Miller 02/13
 Ryan Jedrey 02/14
 Joshua Patten 02/15
 Mark Converse 02/17
 Grace Korn 02/18
 Melissa Chapman Lopez 02/19
 Charles Bennett 02/21
 Katie Briggs 02/22
 Caitlin Whelan 02/22

Stuart Simmons Jr 02/26
 Elizabeth Miller 02/28






FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Karen Wilson 02/24
 Christopher & Colleen Davies 02/29

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!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	2 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting
3 JOINT SERVICE Bishop Sutton Visitation 9:30 AM Smith Hall	4 5:00 PM Girl Scouts 5145 5:00 Community Life Center Brd Meeting 6:00 PM AA Meeting	5 11:00 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Meditation 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting 8:00 PM AA Meeting	6 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's MTG 9:00 AM BC Partners MTG 10-2:00 PM JobSource Van @ SMILE 10:30 AM HEARTFELT 2:00 PM Fr. David @ Roy Rogers 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	7 6:15 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM EFM	8 10:00 AM Books & Banter Mystery Book Club @ Roy Rogers in Solomons 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	9 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 1:00 – 4:00 – SOMD Meditation 7:00 PM AA Meeting
10 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 10:30 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM HE Middleham 3:30 White Privilege Pot Luck 5:00 PM Youth Group	11 3:00 PM Daughters of the King 6:00 PM AA Meeting	12 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 11:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep 2:00 PM Food Distribution 8:00 PM AA Meeting	13 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 9:00 AM BC Planning 10:00 – 2:00 Health Van @ SMILE 10:30 AM HEARTFELT Packing 2:00 PM Fr. David @ Roy Rogers 6:00 PM Outreach Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	14 6:00 PM SMILE BRD Mtg. 6:15 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM EFM	15 10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation @ Asbury 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	16 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting
17 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 10:30 AM Special Activities 11:15 AM HE Middleham 2:00 PM Parish Health – "Do Pets Have Souls"	18 President's Day OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 PM Asbury Episcopal Fellowship & Holy Communion 5:00 PM Girl Scouts 5145 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 Musica 7:00 PM Finance MTG	19 11:00 AM Bible Study 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Middleham Chapel Open 6:30 PM Meditation 8:00 PM AA Meeting	20 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10:00 – 2:00 HIV Van 10:30 AM HEARTFELT Packing 11:00 AM Living Buddha Living Christ Book Study Group 2:00 PM Fr. David @ Roy Rogers 7:00 PM Boy Scouts – 1684	21 6:15 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM EFM	22 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545	23 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting
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