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Retreat – Reflection – Release – Resolution

Welcome to January. Welcome to 2020. It has a nice ring to it. It's time to ring in the new decade with a new start to a New Year. Ok, so what's going to change? Does anything in your life need to change? While it is important during the holidays to enjoy time with family and friends, participate in and pass on traditions and soak up the ambiance of the decorations, it is also a good time to look back over the past year and see what's what with your life. I'm guessing most of you haven't done that so let's take a moment to do the following: Retreat; Reflection; Release; and Resolution. I know, before you roll your eyes and think this is going to be an exercise in futility, just take a minute to start the year off right with a clean slate and hope for the best. Have faith. It's what we do at MSP.

Retreat - Sometimes in order to see where you are, you have to take a step back and look at the small details as well as the big picture. You need to set aside some quiet time, intentional time, to remove yourself from "the everyday" tasks and routines and retreat to a space physically and / or mentally where you can think and contemplate. At the very least you can spare a few minutes of solitude somewhere, sometime, and get ready to reflect on your life; the good, the bad, the ugly and the great!

Reflection - So, how has the past year gone for you? What are you grateful for? What went right? Did you start something new or have a grand adventure? Were you able to face some challenges, overcome some fear or achieve a goal? Did someone new come into your life? When people post news on social media it usually is the good stuff, but rarely do they show their shortfalls or their disappointments. Life, as you know, is not all fun and games or happiness and success. Life is unfortunately littered with bad stuff too. Did you struggle with anything this past year? Are you holding any grudges, resentments, anger or grief? It's important that you are honest with yourself and remember it's just you here and the little voice in your head. If you are going to be able to face the new year with a clean slate and a positive attitude sprinkled with hope and optimism, you are going to have to let some of these negative things go.

Release - Now comes the hard part. Once you have stored away the good memories and patted yourself on the back for your accomplishments, it's time to focus on what's holding you back in a negative sort of way and figure out how to let go. Consider the negative impact of old bad habits, grudges, resentments, complaining, uncertainty, being envious, trying to

please everyone, worrying about everything, procrastinating, having the need to control everything, expecting everything to be perfect and being upset that it isn't, or anything else that is affecting your life like that. By identifying whatever is causing that tightness in your chest you can choose to hang on to them or relax and let go. Easier said than done.

Resolution - Everyone makes at least one New Year's resolution and almost everyone does not follow through on it. Resolutions should be realistic and allow you to have at least more than slim chance at following through with it. I'm guessing you don't need prompting to come up with a resolution. Maybe you do. While they are noble and good, try to be more original than the usual suspects: eat healthier, get more exercise, save more money, sleep more, read more, get a job, get a hobby, be more open to change, make friends, etc. Make a resolution that is meaningful to you. Maybe lean towards: volunteer more, smile and change someone else's life, help feed those who are hungry, teach someone to read, take a walk anywhere, but especially in the vicinity of trees, tell those you love you love them more often, be patient, be kind, etc. Think about how your life could be better if you tried to do just one of those things. Goals, ambitions, passions and priorities evolve and change over time. What do you want to focus on in 2020? What truly matters to you? What makes you feel alive? Whatever you decide to focus on you need to know that you have the inner strength to get you through whatever you need to deal with. Have faith. It's what we do here at MSP.

Blessings, Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

Update on the Profile / Search at MSP

The information-gathering step of the Profile process is now complete, and it is important that the congregation be updated about our Parish Profile and Rector Search Process. Thank you for your participation in the Convocation and the Parish Survey. The Profile Committee is very grateful for your input; it is after all, your church. This committee has devoted a lot of time and effort to listening to and analyzing your thoughts about the parish future. We received 117 completed surveys.

Key findings from the survey respondents are:

* The majority of people who filled out the survey were older and retired. 20% have been here at MSP less than 5 years. In general, people pledge and give financially to support the church. Survey responders were predominantly female, were married and had adult children not living at home.

* The top reasons people attend MSP are:

Worship (75%), Fellowship (60%), Community (37%), Location (33%), Outreach (33%), Music (21%), Christian Formation (18%) and Youth & Children's Programs (14%)

* The top reasons people are drawn to MSP are:

We are welcoming.

We have active outreach / inreach programs.

We are a loving – close-knit community.

We have an inclusive atmosphere and value diversity.

We have a variety of adult and youth program.

We support activities that meet the needs / wants of congregants.

We have opportunities for personal growth and prayer.

We offer traditional music and liturgy.

We encourage lay / clergy collaboration.

We have an opportunity to grow.

The Top 5 professional skills desired for a Rector are:

Preacher - Ability to preach with clarity and to make the Gospel / Liturgy relevant in people's lives

Pastor - Ability to care for people so that they are nurtured, challenged and grow in the community of faith

Crisis Minister - Ability to respond to people at significant points in their lives, e.g. Death, dying, sickness, birth, trauma, success

Leader - Ability to develop a vision and communicate it to others

Administrator - Ability to lead the administrative affairs of the congregation, including programs, organizations, finances, etc.

The Profile Committee is currently putting together a Profile document that will reflect information generated from both the Convocation and the Survey. It will acknowledge our past and envision our future, ultimately being a roadmap for prospective clergy to follow, to get to know our history, to understand what we want for our future and to see why Middleham and St. Peter's Parish is a really great place to be.

Once the Profile document is complete and approved by the Vestry, the Search Committee will then be given that information and commissioned to solicit compatible candidates for rector. The discernment process for the Search Committee will be thorough and with the help of the Holy Spirit will result in finding a clergy person who is a good fit for us.

As the process continues, the congregation will be kept informed on a regular basis. Your patience and prayers are very much appreciated as we undertake this important journey to faithfully choose a new rector.

Blessings, Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

Planned Giving and Endowment

A New Fund is Coming...

Due to the generosity of an anonymous donor, a new fund will become available to support the "personal growth" of individuals within the parish and its affiliated organizations.

Administered by the Planned Giving and Endowment committee, the fund will provide support for the participation and/or enrollment needs of deserving parish members and/or their children as well as members of other affiliated Middleham and St. Peter's organizations. Awards from the fund may support such activities as (but not be limited to) church-related conference costs, summer camp attendance, scouting activities and events, tuition or supplies for skilled trades training, and support for higher education expenses. Awards would be made on the basis of need and the suitability of the activity. The objective is to enable individuals to participate in activities that they may not otherwise be able to afford.

Look for application details during the new year.

LAY PASTORAL VISITORS GROUP TO BE COMISSIONED

At the joint service on January 5, 2020, Middleham and St. Peter's Parish will be beginning a new ministry program. At that service, sixteen members of the new Lay Pastoral Visitors group will be commissioned by Pastor Linda to begin their ministry.

In years past, there have been dedicated parishioners who would take the Eucharist to those who could not attend Sunday services. Now, we will be resuming that ministry. The Lay Pastoral Visitors have received additional training as well.

The sixteen members of the group have been meeting weekly since early September for fourteen lessons related to lay ministry. We have covered topics such as the theology of pastoral care, Benedictine spirituality, listening skills, spiritual gifts, confidentiality, pastoral care for seniors, reviewing the process for sharing the Eucharist during a visit, and other topics.

Our weekly meetings utilized instructional materials developed by the Community of Hope International which is based in Texas. The instructional lessons were led by different members of our group who had experience with the topic. Afterwards, a discussion was held where group members shared their questions and experiences with these topics.

Parishioners may be unable to attend Sunday services for a variety of reasons. This could be due to illness, hospitalization, admission to a long-term care facility, advancing years, or for other reasons. For the individual trying to adjust to these complexities of a new diagnosis or increasing difficulties with limitations on their health, the lay pastor visits can be a source of comfort. We are trained to be empathetic listeners who value the unique life story that each person can share. We would hope that each person visited would know that they are a beloved member of our church family.

The group was helped significantly by financial assistance from our Parish Planned Giving and Endowment Board. That help was greatly appreciated. Funds provided by the Board allowed for the purchase, copying, and distribution of the instructional materials from the Community of Hope International as well as the purchase of books on Benedictine spirituality.

The sixteen members of the group are: Dr. Laura Carpenter, Reverend Skip Steiner, Elaine Christy, Debbie Cole, Mary Beth Dent, Betty Eble, George Eble, Karl Garland, Anne Gross, Leanne Lyle, Mark Pesola, Sally Ray, Kristin Sandusky, Janet Werner, Dale Yoe, and Charles Bennett.

If someone cannot easily attend Sunday services and would like a visit from the group after the January 5 commissioning, the individual, or someone on their behalf, is asked to contact the church office at 410-326-4948. Two members of the Lay Pastoral Visitors will be assigned to contact that person, visit with them, bring Eucharist to them if desired, and help them to remain in contact with our parish.

Each member of our group feels called to this ministry. It is a way for us to live out our Baptismal Covenant "To seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourself."

For the Lay Pastoral Visitors group, Charles Bennett

A Report from SMILE

The SMILE Board meets once a month in our large meeting room. They met on Thursday evening December 12. Mark Pesola, Sharon Cargo, and Hugh Davies serve on the Board from Middleham and St. Peter's, and many more serve as volunteers. The following summarizes key aspects of the meeting. Bruce Robertson is currently the president, but a new slate of officers was approved by the board. They include:

- ✓ President Bill Brier
- Vice-President Lori Pixton
- ✓ Secretary Dorian Welch
- ✓ Treasurer Kathleen Losey and Susie Sherrin

Both the pantry and the thrift shop reported on an active November. Turkeys were distributed to over 300 needy families. Scouts collected thousands of pounds of canned goods. The pantry served an average of 244 families per week, with 2305 people fed a total of over 29,000 lbs. of food. The thrift shop sales took in over \$26,000. Twenty-five clients received financial assistance for rent, utilities, and funeral expenses. The budget for 2020 was approved with total planned disbursements at \$346,120. The services to be covered include food distribution, financial assistance to the needy, homeless prevention, and summer camp, plus many other activities. There are no paid staff – all at SMILE are volunteers.

The very best part of the meeting was celebrating the "retirement" of Rachel Smith from the position of treasurer at SMILE in which she has served in for twenty-eight years. Rachel is 91 years young and loved by all at SMILE, at her church and across the community.



A Report from Hans Welch: the Mobile Career Center Coordinator

I typically have an average of 5 - 6 jobseekers per month during my monthly visit to the Middleham campus and SMILE Inc. Some of these visitors are friends or family of jobseekers. They are seeking information to assist them.

My Middleham/SMILE visits are very worthwhile for me as well as the jobseekers. With fewer jobseekers visiting the Mobile Career Center, I'm able to spend more time with them.



Thanks again for putting out the parking cones each month. It's very helpful for me. I always arrive early and get parked as to not create any additional parking congestion.

My wife donated a very nice set of Lenox Christmas glasses this month too!

Keep up the great work at Middleham and SMILE!!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and all at Middleham and St. Peter's and SMILE!

Hans Welch Mobile Career Center Coordinator Southern Maryland JobSource

Christian Formation



Epiphany on January 5th will be a Joint Service in Smith Hall. The children will be putting on their Epiphany Pageant. It will run during the single service that morning and promises to keep the joy of the season going just a little while longer. Please plan on coming out, not just for the service, but to watch the kids take on the telling of the birth of Jesus.

The Youth Group will come together on Sunday, January 19th at 5:00 PM.

Anne Hayes, For Christian Formation Children & Youth

Adult Christian Formation

ASBURY FELLOWSHIP JANUARY

The Episcopal Fellowship Luncheon will be held on January 20, 2020 at 12 noon with Noon Day prayers, lunch and Eucharist. An evaluation of previous programs and future programs will be discussed. Reservations are required to Mary Beth Dent at 410-394-3162 by January 16th. Charge is \$11.



AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS



AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS will be shown at Asbury Solomons on Monday January 6, 2020 at 7 PM in the Club House Lounge. This opera, about a poor mother and her son, Amahl, host the three wise men as they travel to honor the baby Jesus, was written for television and first shown on TV in 1951 and for many successive Epiphany weekends. It runs one hour. Everyone is welcome.

Russ Horton jrhortonsr@comcast.net



What will be new for 2020!?

The Parish Health Ministry is almost ready for 2020. Our plan is to renew our CPR/AED training, as we do every 2 years. We also will continue the Health Department's "Living Well with Diabetes" Program.

We would like to have another "Active Shooter" program and "Stop the Bleed" to get everyone prepared if there is an emergency. Another program suggested is the "Mental Health First Aid" program. In this, you learn how to take note if a person is having a crisis and what to do and not to do.

We also have had a request to have a program on Palliative Care and perhaps the End of Life papers that are so important. None of these, except the Diabetes program have a date attached to them, but the team is working on that. Please watch for further information-And- if you have a suggestion, please pass it along and have a great New Year! Your Parish Health team.

Submitted by Dale Yoe for Parish Health





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December 2019

The last three months have been a particularly difficult time in Haiti and Leogane. At the same time, we are developing new relationships that point to a strong future for school nursing and bringing health care to more children in Leogane and beyond. Let us explain both.

Protests across Haiti

Since February 2019, Haiti has been shaken by civil disturbances. These started in the capital, Port-au-Prince, but quickly spread across the island nation. The unrest began as anti-corruption marches but spiraled into riots, streets barricaded by burning tires, gang violence, and deadly clashes between police and demonstrators. The original protests have grown month by month, engaging hundreds of thousands of Haitians from all walks of life in large-scale demonstrations protesting government corruption, a 20% inflation rate, and the devaluation of Haitian currency. Movement leaders have insisted upon the resignation of President Jovenel Moïse, something that has yet to occur.

This disruption extended into Leogane causing schools to close in mid-September. They have not been able to re-open since that time. Our partner FSIL has found it necessary to discontinue nursing classes, and to delay the scheduled December graduation of nursing students.

Important update: Good news! As of December 19, classes have resumed at FSIL and it is hoped that the elementary schools will reopen on January 8. We expect that the school nursing program will resume then as well.

Our concern is for all our friends at FSIL and for the children at the schools. Our lead school nurse Fabiola Rejouis reported to us in mid-November, "Thank you for thinking of us. We pray that our kids can go to school, but the situation has not changed yet. Thank you for your prayers. We really appreciate it. Yola, Charledine and I send all our recognitions to the team. May God bless you!"



Our principal supporter at FSIL, Dr. Jessie Colin – their board chair, reported in November, "Hello Hugh and the team. Thank you so much for keeping track of us. Yes, we are fine but it's the children of Leogane who are impacted by this unfortunate circumstance. We are hopeful that all sides will come to their senses in short order. Thanks for your patience and understanding."

Good news during this difficult time

Financial support for the school nurse project has grown significantly through your generosity. During this period, the project has also experienced a significant commitment to the project from the Haiti Nursing Foundation (HNF). According to their website (haitinursing.org), HNF, headquartered in Ann Arbor, MI, was founded in 2005 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and acts as an "institutional advancement" arm for FSIL in the United States, providing ongoing financial and program support to the nursing school. As a part of their annual fundraising gala in November, HNF specifically requested donations for the school nurse project. The response was remarkable, with \$21,000 raised for school nursing.

What this means is we can look forward to a strong future for school nursing in Leogane through FSIL. It is clear that FSIL, with HNF support, sees school nursing as an essential element in student nurse education, extending FSIL's reach into the community, and bringing health care to a growing number of children – now 2,000, once care resumes.

In this season of advent, we look forward to the "Good News" of Jesus' birth. Let us also look forward to a resumption of school nursing at the three schools and nurse education at FSIL. As Dr. Colin expressed, "We are hopeful that all sides will come to their senses in short order." May the new year bring us an even stronger school nurse program in Leogane.



OUTREACH

Thank you to all who gave so abundantly to the Christmas Tree of Angels and for the Seafarer's. It is such a blessing that MSP is such a giving community of caring people.

Carolyn Steiner, Outreach Coordinator



HeartFELT

In this season of gratitude, joy, and generosity, I wanted to share some statistics. Exciting, right? In this case yes! Did you know that EVERY school in Calvert County is served by a HeartFELT church or a Food Pantry EVERY week for the 2019/2020 school year? That is 14 Elementary Schools, 6 Middle Schools (including our 2 schools), and 4 High Schools. Over 300 children are fed every week thanks to the generosity of all faiths and that is something to celebrate this season.

MSP packed and delivered 70 jumbo HeartFELT Bags to 35 Middle School students for the 10 day school winter break. Thanks to the entire team of volunteers who make this program possible.



If you want to join the team or have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Broadus.

Thank you for your support! *Elizabeth Broadus, HeartFELT Coordinator - elizabethruggles@comcast.net.*

State of the Garden



It's kale season and the gardeners have been harvesting more than 50 pounds of kale per week for SMILE. This past summer, the garden produced large quantities of tomatoes, cucumbers and bell peppers for SMILE. The buckwheat crop helped the beehives in the back of the garden produce more than 100 pounds of honey which was distributed through a Food Drop. Anyone interested in being involved with the garden contact <u>helpfulharvestsmd@gmail.com</u>

Food Drops

Food Drops, distribution by MSP of large quantities of food supplied by Maryland Food Bank, have taken place at MSP for more than 5 years. During this time, over half a million pounds of produce, meats and other foods have been distributed from the site to those in need in Lusby area. The December Food Drop served more than 200 families and more than 600 individuals. Thank you to all who have helped make these events possible. We look forward to more to come. The next food drop will take place on Tuesday, January 14. Volunteers needed beginning at 11am with opportunities to help continuing until around 3pm. For more information, please see the schedule posted at facebook/lusbyfooddrop



The troop meets on Wednesdays at 7 pm. Meetings start in the church basement but often go outside. All boys age 11 or who have completed 5th grade can join.

Stop by and/or call Terry Schmidt @ 240-478-0945 for more information.

ANNUAL MIDDLEHAM CAMPUS CLEAN UP DAY



TROOP 1684 COURT OF HONOR

DECEMBER 18, 2019



Calvert County Homeless Shelter



ECHO House is Calvert County's homeless shelter. Located in Prince Frederick, it is a nonprofit 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. available Contact Anne Gross sign-up for month. 410-326-4948 to an or office@middlehamandstpeters.org

34th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Scholarship Breakfast

Monday January 20, 2020 at 8:30 am

Bethel Way of the Cross Church 5445 Cherry Hill Road, Huntingtown, Md 20639

Keynote speaker - Bishop Eugene Sutton - Episcopal Bishop of Maryland



Tickets \$40 in Advance / \$50 at the door

For more information contact Shelia Moore - 240-210-5245 Gladys Jones - 410-586-8305 Joyce Freeland - 410-535-0413

Sponsored by: The National Congress of Black Women Calvert County Chapter College of Southern Maryland Calvert County NAACP

Tickets must be purchased by January 13, 2020

"Books & Banter Mystery Book Club"



This book club is intended to be fun and light reading. Each month we will gather to discuss the book selection, fun conversation, and great breakfast choices. This is open to all from the community so feel free to invite someone.

We will not be meeting in December, join us January 10, 2020. Book Selection for the January discussion is <u>Zero Day (John Puller Series)</u> <u>by David Baldacci.</u>

It is available on Amazon.com In January we will decide what to read together next.

The book club will meet the 2nd Friday of every month @ 10:00 AM at The Frying Pan Restaurant in Lusby.

Don't worry if you miss attending, come the next time and help with the next selection.

This is open to all from the community so feel free to invite someone.

Have any questions just send us an email, bookclub@middlehamandstpeters.org.

"Evening Meditation"

Evening Meditation will be held each month on the 1st and 3rd 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. All events are held at Middleham and St. Peter's Parish in Smith Hall.



For information – Ellie Steveling 443-404-8398 or

info@somdmeditationcommunity.org

9th Annual Chili Bowl Saturday January 25th, Starting @ 5:00 PM Middleham and St. Peter's Smith Hall



Essentially this is a chili cook-off with prizes awarded to the best voted chili. Any and all newcomers are welcome. Bring a friend with you and bring a pot of your secret recipe chili to share, any kind, and come and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

The planning committee will provide bread, condiments (shredded cheese, sour cream, chopped

onions, etc.), salad, beverages, and ice cream for dessert.

You do not need to bring Chili to join this fun gathering of great food and fellowship.

All from the community are welcome.

Middleham and St. Peter's Parish COMMUNITY LABYRINTH FUNDRAISER

OUR GOAL IN ORDER TO BREAK GROUND SPRING 2020 IS \$7800

ABINGDON Neo-Medieval Labyrinth

> Co-Sponsor Southern Maryland Meditation Community

Installer McHALE Landscape Design, Inc.

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Picture similar to our design.



Wednesday, January 1st - Happy New Year

Thursday, January 2nd @ 1:00 PM Daughters of the King

Sunday, January 5th @ 10:00 AM Joint Service in Smith Hall. Epiphany NO SERVICES IN THE CHAPELS OR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES. COHI Commissioning

Sunday, January 5th & 19th @ 4:00 PM Girl Scouts Troop 5145

Monday, January 6th, 13th & 27th @ 9:00 AM HeartFELT volunteers welcome

Tuesday, January 7th @ 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, January 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th @ 11:00 AM Bible Study

Tuesday, January 7th & 21^{st} @ 6:30 PM Evening Meditation in Smith Hall - Open to all, 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Tuesdays.

Tuesday, January 7th @ 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, January 8th @ 9:30 AM Big Conversation Steering Committee

Wednesday, January 8th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM A Nurse Practitioner and the Health Van, sponsored by Calvert Memorial Hospital, will be at SMILE.

Wednesday, January 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th @ 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 1684

Thursday, January 9th @ 2:00 PM ECW

Thursday, January 9th @ 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting

Thursday, January 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th @ 7:00 PM Education For Ministry (EFM)

Tuesday, January 14th @ 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep time, volunteers needed



Wednesday, January 15th HIV Van @ SMILE 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Thursday, January 16th by Noon Asbury Fellowship Reservations due Friday, January 17th @ 10:00 AM Asbury Coffee and Conversation Sunday, January 19th @ 5:00 PM Youth Group Monday, January 20th Martin Luther King, JR Holiday, Offices Are Closed Monday, January 20th @ Noon Asbury Episcopal Fellowship Monday, January 20th @ 6:00 PM COHI Meeting Monday, January 20th @ 6:30 PM Musica Rehearsal Tuesday & Wednesday January 21st & 22nd Point In Time January 23rd @ 2:00 PM Endowment Board Meeting Ianuary 25th @ 5:00 PM Annual Chili Bowl in Smith Hall

Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Parish



Joint Services

In this transition year as we search for our new rector, we are trying some new things. Joint services give us an opportunity to worship as one group and to get to know folks who attend other services.

The following opportunities for worship as one big community are upcoming. All joint Sunday services will start at 10:00 AM in Smith Hall.

January 5, 2020 - Epiphany. The children will present an Epiphany pageant.

February 2, 2020 - Annual Parish Meeting. There will be breakfast before the service at 9:30 AM.



Middleham & St. Peter's Episcopal Church 10210 HG Trueman RD Lusby MD 20657

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



February 2020

Sunday, February 2nd @ 10:00 AM Joint Service in Smith Hall – Annual Parish Meeting

9:30 AM Breakfast

"The Deadline For Submissions" FEBRUARY CONNECTOR EDITION IS WEDNESDAY JANUARY 15TH BY 9:00 AM

Thanks so much, Karen Timmons, Communications



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 the following:

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

When Calvert County Schools are on a two-hour delay or closed due to inclement weather, Healing Service on Wednesdays at St. Peter's Chapel and Bible Study on Tuesdays at the Parish Hall will not be held.



JANUARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Lochlan Weems	01/04
Paul Kelly	01/04
Lisa Greenlee	01/05
Henry Meiser	01/10
Michael Shisler	01/15
Robb Hupp	01/18
Monte Ray	01/18
Carolyn Steiner	01/18
Anna Hall	01/19
Mark Griffin	01/22
David Showers	01/23
Nancy Briggs	01/23
David Deaderick	01/23
Sam Wilkinson	01/23
Bernard Curley	01/24
Diane Davies	01/24
Jenny Magee	01/26
Laura Bennett Majsztrik	01/27
Lucy Tonacci	01/28
Skip Barrett	01/29
Colleen Davies	01/29
Jennifer Hupp	01/29



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Stuart & Alyson Simmons

01/17

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! WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

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