

The CONNECTOR

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Seek Up

Seek up.

Why?

Because.

Because why?

Because that's where all the answers are.

Seek up to search for possibilities and be open to them.

Seek up and listen to the sounds around you, hear the music.

Seek up to pray to God, staring at the sky as if staring at Heaven makes a difference; it does.

Seek up and wonder what it feels like to have the Holy Spirit surround you and then feel it.

Seek up to lighten the weight on your heart.

Seek up hoping with all your heart to have God's guidance.

Seek up and think about...

Seek up for a place for your thoughts to linger.

Seek up with intent to allow the answers to come.

Seek up for the choices you have to make and the path for you to take.

Seek up and dream about what the future holds.

Seek up and dream about what you can do to make the future hold what you want.

Seek up and pray for...

Seek up for the patience to understand what you need to before making judgments without assumptions.

Seek up as you try to be honest with yourself.

Seek up to find the truth especially when it hurts.

Seek up to find love for yourself and for others.

Seek up to find God's love.

Seek up and take a deep breath; in through the nose out through the mouth...

Seek up for the strength to...

Seek up for the courage to...

Seek up for the wisdom to...

Seek up for the vision to...

Seek up for calm...

Seek up for peace...

Seek up and be thankful for...

Seek up and thank God.

Have faith that by seeking up you will find what you are looking for; questions to ask and answers to your questions.

To believe in the power of the Holy Spirit and the resurrection, not just at Easter, but always, seek up.

Seek up; do it now.

Blessings,

Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

Thoughts From The Rector

Renewal

“We must always remember that we are in the context of a world that has been renewed by God in Christ. It is that perspective which nourishes our vision, which kindles our outrage, and energizes our engagement.” -Archbishop Rowan Williams

Lent is a time for renewal. Right now, the sun is rising outside, and we are preparing to buy starter plants to begin our season in the garden. The weather is warming, and I can hear the frogs at night. Last night, we could lay outside and look at the stars as we listened to them. Cases of the virus are decreasing, and restrictions are lifting. Spring and Easter are coming, and bringing signs of new life with them.

Yet I hesitate to trust those signs. It has become both cliché and dangerous, as any optimistic discussions around “new beginnings” or “possibilities” over the past year have yielded to new variants of the virus or new manifestations of racism and violence.

Yet Easter persists, because we are being renewed by God in Christ. This renewal is not based on circumstances, which may or may not reflect it. It is based on a deeper reality, and so we draw from a deeper well to realize it.

In the recent conference at which the former Archbishop of Canterbury spoke the words quoted above, he discussed the need to patiently draw from the wells of prayer and

scripture in order to address the most pressing challenges of our time. If we rush to respond, he suggested, we will fail to give the world a vision of a redeemed humanity in Christ. That is what we have to offer as the Church, first and foremost: a vision of a redeemed humanity, nourished by the Sacraments and Word of God. It is easy for us to forget that.

This Easter and this Spring will bring new life, no matter what. The case rates of the virus may continue to decrease, and we may see restrictions lifted, as we are now. We may also see new variants, new health challenges or old ones resurface (as has already happened), or new manifestations of the other pandemics of racism or environmental devastation. But the redeemed vision of creation in Jesus Christ remains unshakable by the events of the world. It has persisted throughout 2020, and it will persist again, because He will come again.

So as we move forward into this uncertain future, we can ask, where is God bringing us new life? What will my own walk with Jesus look like as he renews me day by day? How will the life of our church reflect this renewal?

I look forward to celebrating that with you this Easter.

Peace,

Nathan+



Maundy Thursday - Thursday, April 1, 2021

Pre-Recorded From Middleham Chapel.

Available At **Noon** On Thursday April 1st, On [MSP Facebook](#) & [YouTube Channel](#).

CLICK TO FOLLOW ALONG

[**Maundy Thursday Liturgy For Home**](#)

Good Friday – Friday, April 2, 2021

Stations of the Cross – presented by Fr. Skip

Smith Hall at **6:30 PM**. ***Reservations are not required.***

Easter Vigil – Saturday, April 3, 2021

At Smith Hall – OUTSIDE at the fire pit – near the columbarium at **7:30 PM**. (Service will be held inside Smith Hall if raining)

Reservations are not required.

***Easter Sunday** – Sunday, April 4, 2021

Services in Smith Hall – at **8:30 AM** & **11:00 AM**.

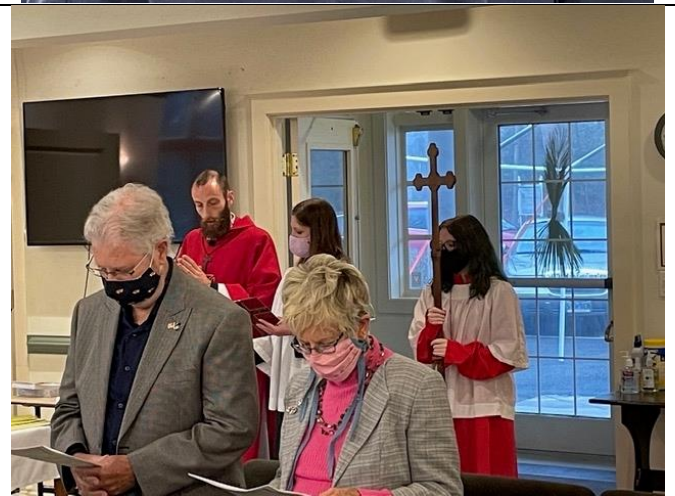
Reservations are required. Limited seating.

Also live streamed at **8:30 AM** on [Facebook](#).

*Please call the office at 410-326-4948 or email

office@middlehamandstpeters.org to make your reservations for Palm Sunday or Easter Day services.

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 28, 2021



MIDDLEHAM AND ST. PETER'S PARISH



SUNDAY SERVICES INSIDE SMITH HALL

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

&

LIVE STREAMING
SUNDAYS @ 8:30 AM

Indoor Worship Services

As we continue to monitor the Governor of Maryland, the Calvert County Health Department and Bishop Sutton's directives pertaining to COVID-19 we have resumed indoor worship in Smith Hall at 8:30 am and 11:00 am. RESERVATIONS for both services must be made by Friday at 5 pm for the next Sunday service. Call the office – 410-326-4948 or email office@middlehamandstpeters.org to make a reservation. Mask wearing will be mandatory.

Healing services are on Wednesdays in St. Peter's Chapel at 9:00 am in Solomons. Mask wearing will be mandatory.

We will continue to live stream on Sunday mornings worship service at 8:30am from Smith Hall. This can be seen live on Facebook and later on YouTube.

Youth and Children's Sunday activities at 10am will continue as they have been. Contact Anne Hayes for further information. mspyouthleader@middlehamandstpeters.org 443-624-6969

We remind you that if you are sick, feverish or coughing and sneezing for any reason, please stay home. It is important for everyone attending the onsite services to feel comfortable and secure in the knowledge that their fellow parishioners are being mindful of everyone's health concerns. Masks are still mandatory and temperatures will be taken upon arrival.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe and health.

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SAFETY RULES FOR INSIDE SERVICE

In order for us to do this service safely, several stipulations need to be followed based on directives from Governor Hogan, the Calvert County Health Department, and Bishop Sutton.

These are as follows:

1. Masks are required for everyone not sitting in their cars.
2. There will be ushers directing seating options.
3. If communion (wafers only administered by tongs) is offered it will be done safely.
4. Singing will be limited to Beth Lanier at the keyboard. Humming is an option as on-site participants are encouraged to actively follow the words. Participants in their cars or at home are encouraged to sing joyfully out loud.
5. No coffee hour / food / drink will be offered.
6. Fellowship / small group gathering will be at the discretion of participants maintaining social distancing after the service.
7. The Parish Hall will not be open to the general population.
8. Bathrooms are available upon request but must be sanitized by the user with cleaning supplies provided prior to exiting.
9. Paper copies of the service bulletin are available at the service, or you may access it online with your cell phone, tablet, etc.
10. A Covenant for Re-Gathering from the Diocese is available and should be read prior to Re-Gathering.
11. Non-contact temperature taking measures will be administered to onsite participants.

Wills and Estates Seminar

On Zoom
April 15 at 7:00 PM



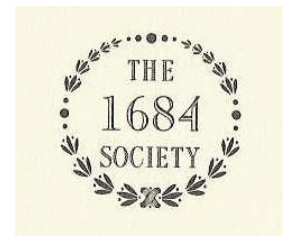
Featuring Attorney Amy Lorenzini of the
Cumberland and Erly Law Firm


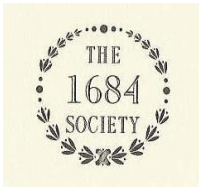
Whether you finally need to draw up that will, or you want to update your will and estate planning, this seminar will provide you with the latest information and answer your questions. We will also provide you with the Episcopal Church Foundation's Planning for the End of Life document and other important materials.

Sponsored by Middleham and St. Peter's Planned Giving and Endowment Committee. You need to register by emailing Hugh Davies – daviesh@comcast.net – or call at 410-326-0370 to receive the zoom information and materials.



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Endowment Committee –
Serving Middleham and St.
Peter's Parish and
parishioners.*



 <p>Middleham and St. Peter's Parish</p>		<h2>A Reminder from the Planned Giving and Endowment Committee</h2>
<p>Remember to apply for an endowment grant and / or a personal growth award. These resources can help our ministries grow or support your own or your family's personal growth. Applications are on the parish website at Planned Giving and Endowment Middleham and St. Peter's Parish.</p>		



New 2021 Middleham and St. Peter's

Parish Directory Available for Parishioners

To request a PDF version of the MSP Directory, send an email to daviesd@comcast.net. The digital directory will be emailed to you.

The directory is for parishioner use only.

We will keep a list of those who request the directory and periodically you will automatically receive an updated version.

If you are not listed in the directory and wish to be added or have corrections, the information should be sent to daviesd@comcast.net.



Middleham and St. Peter's at CEEP: **For a Time Such as This: The Church as Witness**

Our parish is a member of the Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes (CEEP). This organization holds an annual conference and provides other services to its membership, which includes hundreds of the most active Episcopal churches across the country. On March 3-5, six parishioners from Middleham and St. Peter's joined 1200 others at this virtual event which was originally scheduled for Dallas, Texas. Our team included:

Joan Shisler	Jim Yoe	Rev. Nathan Beall
Anne Hayes	Carolyn Steiner	Hugh Davies

The overall theme of the conference was "resilience". The following provides a summary of what the team experienced:

Pre-Conference Session: Father Nathan Beall participated in a day long session with other deans and rectors exploring *Old and New Power*.

General Sessions: During the conference, there were five general sessions. You can view them at [Keynote Conversations and Closing Worship | The CEEP Network](#). The excellent keynote speakers included:

- ❖ Darren Walker, President of the Ford Foundation,
- ❖ Rev. Dr. Sam Wells and Rev. Azariah France-Williams,
- ❖ Bishop Walker School's Headmaster Mike Molinas in Conversation with Rev. Rob Fisher, rector of St. John's Lafayette Square
- ❖ Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and Dr. Catherine Meeks
- ❖ Archbishop Justin Welby and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

The final session was the highlight with the Archbishop of Canterbury – the head of the worldwide Anglican Church - in conversation with the head of Episcopal Church USA Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. They are good friends.



Workshops: Our team attended three workshops apiece that were grouped in the following key topical areas. A summary of the findings for each of the workshops is available for your review. The workshops were grouped into topic areas:

- ❖ **The Third Place — Our Buildings and Communities**
- ❖ **Racial Reckoning Within the Church**
- ❖ **Strategic Conversations**
- ❖ **Leadership in the Moment**

Quotes from CEEP 2021: Throughout the conference, the team noted quotes that we wanted to remember and share. The following is a sampling:

- “Jesus was all loving – but not a hallmark greeting card love. It was a sacrificial love of giving oneself up”.
- “The baptismal covenant is not negotiable, either you believe it or you don’t”.
- “The only place you can find refuge is in another person’s heart. Be your most authentic self”.
- “Some people would be better to spend time at the spa on Sundays” (in reference to service)
- “Love and foolishness are equal opportunity employers”.
- “A child is the hopes and dreams of a family.”
- “When you have built trust and earned it – that’s when you unlock potential” (Rob Fisher)
- Ask “What would Jesus do?” but also “Look at what Jesus did”.
- “You are called to stand up taller, be something new. Ignore your outrage, see the invitation to fix it at its core” (Michael Curry)
- “Step up to the plate, claim who you are” (Michael Curry)
- “The church is in exile, but biblically we know great things happen after exile”.
- “Learn to stand and kneel at the same time”.
- “Churches currently don’t know how to think creatively and share the word of Jesus Christ. How do you generate willingness and energy to think creatively?”
- Every tradition was once an innovation, realize what needs to change.”
- “If our church preaches love and justice, then that is EXACTLY what we should be doing”.
- “Every tradition was once an innovation, realize what needs to change”.
- “God gives himself fully away, and always remains God’s self. The church needs to learn to do the same”.
- “To not be engaged in the context of the time we are in, is to not be fulfilling our call to our Creator”.
- “God did not call us to a life of ease”.
- “Race is a social invention meant to keep privilege”.
- “An organization that has lost its capacity for humor and fun is doomed.
- “Churches should be sending people out, not just focus on bringing people in”.
- “Churches need to be more public. Show up at places, not politicizing but just welcoming and being present”.
- “Priests could have a “go to work with your parishioner day”.
- “The Way of Love: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go Rest. (Bishop Curry)
- The Way of Love is wearing a mask – now it’s the vaccine” Bishop Curry.

Submitted by Hugh Davies

Webinar Opportunities

Middleham and St. Peter's is a member of the Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes (CEEP), which is a national organization that provides training and education for Episcopal and other churches. During the period of the pandemic, they have offered excellent webinar programs that may be of interest to many of you. Try one or more that interest you!

CHECKOUT MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

<https://www.ceepnetwork.org/upcoming-webinars/>

Subject: Current Affairs
Voting Rights for a Faithful Democracy

Tuesday, April 6th
3:00pm EDT

The 2020 U.S. elections, also one of the most secure in history, saw the highest voter turnout in 100+ years. Yet legislative efforts to restrict the right to vote are advancing quickly across the U.S. Join The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations in this digital workshop on how we must act now to protect and guarantee voting rights. Federal legislation under consideration aims to reestablish components of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and create a baseline standard for voting access across the country.

Each of our three speakers will approach voting rights from a different angle: Quincy Howard of Faithful Democracy will review HR 1 and the John Lewis Voting Rights Act under consideration in Congress, Kim Jackson a new state senator in Georgia will review the specific dynamics happening there as just one example of the state-level movement toward restrictive voting rights, and Dara Baldwin will speak to the important provisions needed to ensure voting access for people with disabilities.

Panelists include:

- Dara Baldwin - **Director of National Policy, Center for Disability Rights, Inc.; Washington, D.C.**
- Quincy Howard, OP - **Coordinating Director of Advocacy, Outreach and Campaigns, Faithful Democracy Coalitions; Government Relations Team at NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice; Washington, D.C.**
- Kim Jackson - **Vicar, Church of the Common Ground; Member, Georgia State Senate (41st District); Atlanta, Georgia**
- Alan Yarborough - **Church Relations Officer, Office of Government Relations, The Episcopal Church; Washington, D.C. (Moderator)**

Please register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/146510933145>

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Christian Formation

With the weather finally shifting from winter to spring, we have been fortunate enough to continue our Children's service outdoors and even incorporating different locations around the grounds. From the labyrinth to the vegetable garden, the kids have enjoyed being able to get out and get some fresh air while experiencing hands on lessons using the areas around us.

The older youth have wrapped on their Lenten season about Prayer. They are looking forward to the weather working with us so that we can get back to some of our classic youth group games outdoors, while learning their different lessons for their Sunday School time.

Thirsty Theology

Thirsty Theology is trying something new for April. The 1st Friday, April 2, we will be on zoom at 7:00 pm. The 3rd Friday, April 16, we will meet in person at the Parish Hall, outside at the fire pit at 7:00 pm. (In case of rain, we will meet on zoom). The topic is "What is on your mind?" Instead of having a conversation under a particular theme, I would love to just have people come together, get to know each other. Laugh together, talk together, love together. .So, I encourage everyone to join me and come tell me a story.

If you ever have any questions, or you would like to hear more about any of the information above, you can reach me at 443-624-6959.

mspyouthleader@middlehamandstpeters.org

Submitted by Anne Hayes for Christian Formation

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3770715758>

Meeting ID: 377 071 5758

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Coffee and Conversation at Asbury

Come Join Us! By Zoom on Friday **APRIL 16TH at 10:00 am**

We will send you the study materials and zoom instructions the week before the meeting. 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.

Call Hugh if you have questions at 410-326-0370.

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Hugh Davies, Charles Bennett and Claude Martin

MIDDLEHAM CHAPEL BLESSING OF NEW ALTAR HANGINGS





The **Caring Network** is continuing to call parishioners on a weekly basis. If you are not receiving a phone call, please contact Diane Davies. 410-326-0370 daviesd@comcast.net

If you or someone you know should be on our prayer list please send it to office@middlehamandstpeters.org or daviesd@comcast.net

If you are having trouble accessing or logging on to view online worship opportunities, logging into zoom etc., please let us know and we will help you. Call Jim Yoe - 443-975-6797

If you have any questions, concerns or pastoral needs, please let us know. Thank you for your patience and stay healthy!

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Lay Pastoral Visitors Group

All of us in the Lay Pastoral Visitors Group are looking forward to the time when we can again visit people in person. In the meantime if you need pastoral care please contact office@middlehamandstpeters.org or 410-326-4948.

Pastoral care

**To be there in times of sickness and in joy,
in sorrow or celebration, in crisis or transition.**

To pray.

To listen.

To share.



MSP PRAYER LIST



Becky Dingle
Mark Dingle
Jimi Stanton
Mary Ellen Elwell
Dorothy Swan
Dick Hu
Sue Hu
Russ Horton
Ray
Linda
Marjorie Caya
Catherine and John+ Howanstine
Bonnie Tolson
Jaycie Dale
Paul and Sandy Fuller
Donna Demer
Curtis Moore
Dwight Miller
The Cosgove Family

Lisa Greenlee
Stanley Buckler
Phil Lemkau
Colleen Davies
Maryellen Kalivoda
Vivian Kilsheimer
Mary Heflebower
Susie Wheely
George Buckler
Bill Gallagher
Jimmy Holesapple
Martha Bliss
Stephanie Riddle
Cindy Henning
Joan Buckler
Elaine Christy
Laura
Nancy Briggs
Bob Wilson



Departed List

Joy Walters

Joan Klaussen

Andy Hall

Vicki Hall

Virginia "Dina" Louise Binger



**PRAYERS FOR THOSE THAT DIED DUE TO
COVID-19, AND THOSE SUFFERING LOSS.**

MSP MILITARY PRAYER LIST



Chris Parkinson
James Butler
Michael Taxiera
Matthew Blackwelder
Ryan Dement
Lisa Tomlinson
Brandon Marshall
RJ Brinegar
Trey Fisher
Joseph Entzian
Isiah Jefferson
David Schul
Austin Cole
Thomas Parks
Wendy L. Love
David Thomas
Perry Peebles

Bruce Ussery
Adam Smith
Calvin Davies
Jaret Dement
David Tonacci
Renaldo Ramirez
Michael Ursic
Miles Manchester
TJ Dillon
Mason Garland
Andrew Terhark
Karl Townsend
Travis Park
Austin Libby Garrett Libby
Alex Simmons
Chelsea Whealton
Andrew Kalinoski
Justin Forrest



Deaconess
FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE
Ministries

Covid and Caring- Dale Yoe, Parish Nurse

So, it has been more than a year since we first began our Covid Journey. Most of us, at least, know someone who has been affected by Covid. Many of us have had our shots and looking forward to feeling better about getting out and seeing others. However, I wonder how we really are? What are we left with, after Covid?

Most of us have kept safe in our own homes and now it is important to draw on our internal resources. Strength that we may not know we have, God given strength-“trust in the Lord, with all your heart”. Just know we can make a new daily routine; now, we can walk out of the house and take a deep breath, we can meditate and, of course- Pray- to feed our minds and souls.

However- please remember- you are not alone! You have a church family that are always ready to help. Covid has stressed many of us- be patient with others, be a good listener and offer to say a prayer or just listen for any that might need you to be there.

If things get tough- call a member of the Clergy or Parish Health. Office number is 410-326-4948; Dale is 410-610-7755. Thanks and wear your mask, wash your hands and stay safe!

Advantage Psychiatric Services, LLC



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Advantage Psychiatric Services, LLC provides a broad range of outpatient mental health services to families and individuals, ages 5 and above. Psychotherapy services are offered in home, in school, in any safe and private setting. All of our therapists are licensed and experienced in the treatment of behavioral health issues including depression, anxiety, PTSD, personality disorders, anger management and ADHD. Diagnostic evaluations and medication management are available in our clinic. Our goal is to provide a supportive and experienced team of professionals to help clients achieve their behavioral health objectives.

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Mission Statement

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The Outpatient Mental Health Center can help in the following areas:

- Individual Psychotherapy:** Our licensed therapists are experienced in the treatment of depression, anxiety, personality disorders, family issues, grief and loss, and disorders in children such as ADHD and Oppositional Defiant Disorder.
- Diagnostic Evaluations:** Our experienced Psychiatrists and Nurse Practitioners can provide a comprehensive diagnostic evaluation to assist in the treatment of behavioral health issues.
- Medication Management:** As needed, our prescribers will offer medication management as another avenue to help clients reach their treatment goals.
- Family therapy:** Our therapists are trained to work with families to help provide support and guidance to all the affected members of a family system.
- Off Site:** Our therapists can work in the home, in the school or in any safe and private place agreed upon by the therapist and the client. Therapists can also work from our clinic, if clients prefer.
- In clinic:** We offer our psychiatric services from our clinic.
- Treatment Planning:** Our treatment team works with clients to develop a treatment plan that meets the client's needs.
- We are CARF accredited (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities):** CARF accreditation is a sign of quality and conformity to internationally accepted standards.

OUTREACH AT MSP

ECHO Dinners

The fourth Monday of the every month members of the church make dinner for the residents of Echo House. This is a greatly appreciated outreach that provides a dinner for people in transition who need a safe place to live as they work being able to support themselves.

We need volunteers to sign up for 2021. There are funds available provided by an Endowment Grant to help cover your costs. You can team up with someone to make a dinner. Contact Anne Gross to volunteer to provide a dinner. 410-326-4948. office@middlehamandstpeters.org

Submitted by Carolyn Steiner, Outreach Chair



The COVID-19 vaccine pre-registration call center operates Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., but the online pre-registration portal [at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Vaccine](http://www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Vaccine) is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week!

IN-REACH OPPORTUNITIES



We are continuing with our in-reach mission opportunities where we will be helping parishioners with home repairs. If you would like to volunteer or would like more information

please contact...

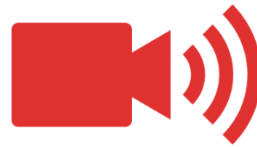
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YOUTH GROUP SIGN REPAIR MARCH 28, 2021



LIVESTREAM WORSHIP



We are also looking for more tech people for the live stream, we had two more youth interested and I am very thankful for their help. I will pass those names along to Jim Yoe so that we can work on "training" them (If I'm being completely honest, the bulk of the work is handled by the software. It can sound very technical, but the huge majority is making sure the stream is still running, and that the camera is pointed in the right place).

For information contact Jim Yoe - jmyoe@comcast.net

PARISH HALL INSTALLATION OF NEW WIRING



FOOD DISTRIBUTION MARCH 16, 2021

THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE

Many, many food boxes and loaves of bread were delivered throughout Southern Calvert County and some into Saint Mary's County.

Father Nathan and Hee get ready for one of their multiple trips into the community.

It is easy to put clowns in a car and watch them climb out of the car at the circus. However, it is a real skill to get as many boxes as possible into a sport utility vehicle to deliver in our community.

Thank you Dr. Bennett for the narrative and the pictures.

Stats for Food Drop on March 16, 2021

- 304 families
- 422 adults
- 150 seniors received

Thank you,

Mark Pesola, Food Drop Coordinator

mark_pesola@hotmail.com





Food Drop Delivery Driver Opportunity- Safely Help Others



We need volunteers to deliver Food provided by Maryland Food Bank to recipient homes. No-contact food pick-up at church, food is dropped off outside of recipient homes to avoid contact, routes include up to 5 closely grouped

addresses in SMILE service area. If interested and would like more detail or are ready to sign up as a driver.

Next distribution is Tuesday APRIL 20, 2021 .

For safety and coordination efforts please contact Mark Pesola in order to volunteer, do not arrive without checking in first, thank you.

Please contact Mark Pesola at mark_pesola@hotmail.com OR 410-610-8495



Haiti School Nurse Update March 10, 2021

Exactly ten years ago in March 2011, our parish committed to undertaking a school nurse project in Haiti. It was on the basis of a careful study by a team that included our own nurses, a doctor, retired educator and others committed to the project. Now, after ten years, we are directly supporting four schools in Leogane through the FSIL Nursing School and two more continue in Hinche and Bondeau with the design that we initiated. The good news is that our team remains committed to the project and it is growing. Your support has been critical to this success. We ask for your continued support.

Our Haiti school nurse team includes:

Dr. Nancy Briggs	Dale Yoe, RN	Diane Davies	Hugh Davies
Carolyn Steiner	Sally Arbuthnot	Rev. Nathan Beall	

The following is an update on the Haiti School Nurse program featuring a zoom call and the quarterly report:

Phone call:

The team had an extended call with Dean Hilda Alcindor of the FSIL School of Nursing in Leogane, Haiti and Board Chair Dr. Jessie Colin from Florida by zoom on Wednesday March 10. Dean Hilda responded to our questions:

In general. How is the program going?

Dean Hilda reported that the program is going well. Health assessments, nursing care, and health education are being provided at four schools with a total school population of over 2,000. The focus is on elementary age students. The school nurses are: Claudine Cadio, Yola Clervil, and Alin Thevene. The schools are Ste. Croix (Episcopal), Ste. Rose (Catholic for girls), Abellard (private), and Anacaona (public for girls).

Political disruption. How are conditions in Haiti impacting the program? Is the situation with the government worsening? Is this mostly in Port au Prince?

Dean Hilda reported that conditions in Leogane are stable, but not so in Port-au-Prince. It would not be safe to come from out of the country to visit at this time.

Covid. How is Covid impacting Leogane and the program? Are vaccines available for Covid?

Covid is not nearly as prevalent in Haiti as in the US. Countrywide there are just over 12,000 cases in a country of 10 million. Even so, nurses and staff at FSIL wear masks. There are no vaccines for covid in Haiti yet. One significant problem for covid vaccines or most any vaccines is inconsistent or non-existent electricity and refrigeration. Even at FSIL, which has solar capacity and generators, electrical power and refrigeration has been inconsistent.

New school. How has the school nursing been going for the public-school Ecole Anacaona?

School nursing has been expanded to a fourth school - Anacaona – a public school for girls. It does not have space set aside for school nursing, so the nurses go with their equipment and folding chairs. We discussed improving the conditions – perhaps a folding bed, or even eventually constructing a clinic in the future.

Hearing equipment. Have the school nurses been able to use the new hearing equipment?

It is still difficult to measure hearing with all of the typical noise at the schools. There is no enclosed quiet place to take measurements. We discussed the whole challenge of measurement without corresponding medical care. Hearing might be an area that we might focus on in terms of hearing aids and perhaps having practitioners going to Haiti.

NASN. Has Nurse Claudia been able to access and use the National Association of School Nurses membership?

Dean Hilda reported that Claudine has received materials and is using the NASN membership. This is good news.

How has the participation of the student nurses been going? What types of support are they providing? What are they learning?

Student nurses nearly always accompany the school nurses and provide a full range of assistance – helping with health assessments, record keeping, patient care, and education. It is an excellent learning experience for the student nurses and significantly expands the care for the children.

How is health education going? How often is instruction provided? Is it well received? How can we help provide more support for classroom instruction? More books from Hesperian or other sources?

When the nurses visit the schools, they encounter groups of students, and they provide health education for those groups. Education is geared to elementary age students – washing hands, nutrition, and good health habits. Students also received education around Covid and scabies. Health education is also provided to school staff and parents.

What do they need? Dean Hilda indicated that they need pulse ox x3-4 glumeters and a folding bed for Anacaona. We will look into providing those.

Other information. Dean Hilda reported that they are considering adding a fourth nurse (one third time) and are making an assessment regarding adding a fifth school.

From the last quarterly report:

During the report period, 218 students received health assessments and interventions based on the assessments. During the same period, students, faculty and their parents received health education.

Specific care included:

Abdominal pain	Burns	Wounds	Cold symptoms	Itchy eyes	headache
Pruritis	Acne	Fever	Influenza	Otitis	
Bloody sputum	Neck stiffness		Fever	Open wound	
Dental cavities	Stone in ear	Nausea	Ear pain	Throat pain	

Referred student blind in one eye to ophthalmologist

Three (3) dermatological clinics were organized during December

12/02/20: **47 students were seen** for skin disorders, including 32 at the Leogane Girls School (Anacaona) and 15 at Ste Rose de Lima.

12/03/20: Ste Croix de Leogane school where 36 students were seen including 25 with skin problems.

12/09/20: Abellard Institute where 35 students were seen for skin damage.

Results interpretation. In view of the number of cases seen during the dermatological clinic at Anacaona School, we noticed the majority of the students are diagnosed for sarcoptosis also called scabies. At Ste Croix School in Léogane, 36 students were consulted. Indeed, many students have sarcoptosis or scabies. We discussed with Dean Hilda how scabies was addressed within the community and homes. She said that this was a major challenge that the government was seeking to address, in that it would require families to move out of home temporarily.

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Start your day, once each week, with Morning Prayer. Friday morning at 7am -
- you're welcome to a brief service of scripture and prayer. On Zoom.

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Close your day, once each week, with the gift of prayer and Christian community. Night Prayer, also called Compline is on Zoom every Wednesday at 7pm. All are welcome.

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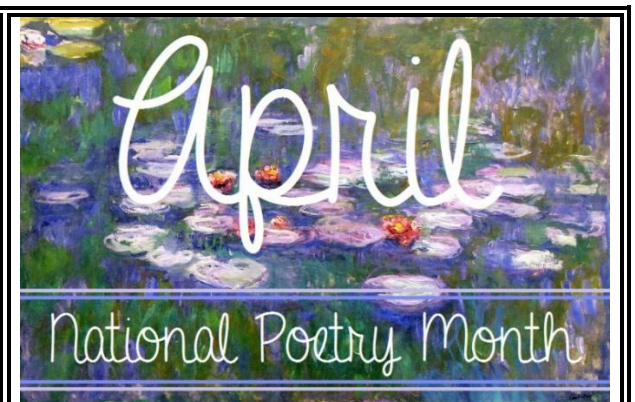


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Thanks so much, Karen Timmons, Communications
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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Kristina Jedrey	04/01
Paul Perks	04/02
Bill Miller	04/06
Charity Humm	04/06
Kaileigh Weems	04/10
Paul Fuller	04/11
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

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