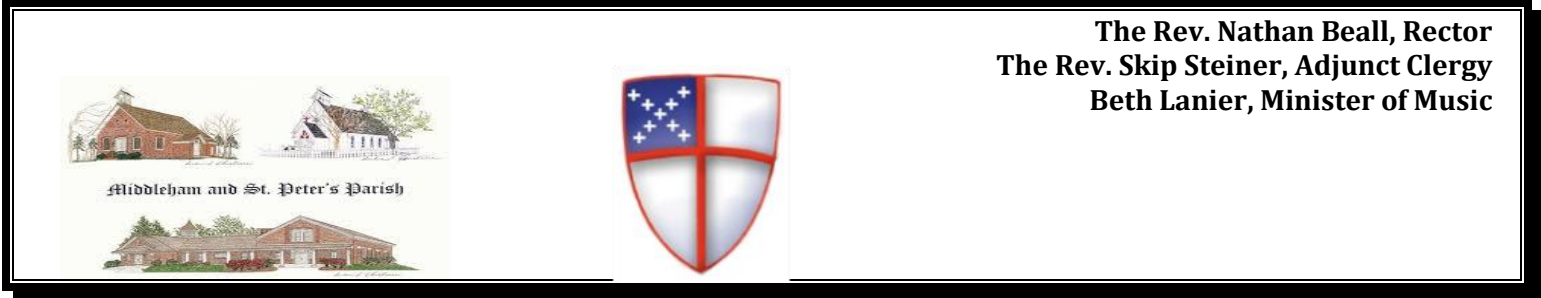


The **CONNECTOR**

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FEBRUARY 2022

All You Need Is Love

Do you know how many songs, poems, and stories there are that have the word love in them or are about love? I'm sure someone somewhere has made a list, but basically there are a whole lot of them. Because of Valentine's Day, the month of February is known for love, but you all know that. Love is a very powerful emotion, whether it's between a parent and child, couples, friends, family or between you and God. In the ladder of life's emotions, love is at the top.

So, what do we know about love? Sometimes we think we know a whole lot, but other times we are completely oblivious to the power that love holds for us or holds over us. Sometimes we recognize that when we are struck by or enveloped in love that we are in the best place ever. Is that type of emotion sustainable? Actually, loving someone and being in love fluctuates up and down and mellows into something more manageable, but equally impactful. This is true for all kinds of love. Love is all around us and it is ever-present. We just need to recognize it and embrace it.

The love of a parent and child is constant, unwavering, and powerful. It is steadfast and level until something kicks it into high gear and when the crisis is averted or tender moment passes, it levels off again, but this love is constant. The love between couples runs the gamut from first spark, to passion, to savory, to contentment. The love between friends is fun, true, deep, and dependable. The love between family members is A to Z, fill in the blanks. The love between you and God is essential for you to have a full and fulfilling life.

God's love for us is unconditional. Our love for God is faith. You either have it or you don't. How do you develop this love for God? Is this love something that is learned or does it magically appear one day? Is this love something you have to work at or towards and if so, how do you do it?

While the following is often read at weddings, these words aptly describe God's love for you:

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

Should you find this kind of love with another person, you would be very lucky. With God, this love is unfailing and infinite.

You might ask yourself whether you deserve God's love? You might wonder if you have done or not done something that could change whether or not God loves you. God's love is akin to a parent's love for a child. In fact, God calls all of us his children. God's love is steadfast and unwavering, and nothing changes that regardless of our actions. God loves you just the way you are. These words illustrate that:

Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean He no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? ... No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow — not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below — indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:35, 37-39)

It's up to you how you reciprocate that love. Once you choose to be in a relationship with God, you are in it for life. He supports you, encourages you, walks beside you, helps you grow, guides you, and offers you hope. God cares about you when you are suffering and when you are not. God's love is like having a shield around you. Psalm 31:7 says: "I will be glad and rejoice in Your unfailing love, for You have seen my troubles, and You care about the anguish of my soul." God may not be able to instantly fix your problems, but He does answer prayers. It gives you comfort and security. Having a relationship with God brings you peace.

One thing God asks of us is that we share that love with others. By doing so it offers others the chance to feel his love too. It also allows us to see His love in them. Mark 12:31 says "Love your neighbors as yourself." Also:

God showed how much He loved us by sending His one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through Him. This is real love — not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and His love is brought to full expression in us." (1 John 4:9-12)

Be kind to one another, show others that you care. Encourage someone who is having a difficult time. Listen. Share your love and by doing so you show how God's love reaches everyone.

So, in this season of love, how might you enter into a relationship with God and let God into your life? God's love is freely given, no strings attached. God's love is yours to receive. Just open your heart and let Him in. There is nothing

you can do to earn more of His love or to lose His love. He is unwaveringly faithful to you. You just need to have faith in Him. Are you inspired by this? Are you hopeful? Do you have faith that God is with you always and will always love you regardless of what you do or do not do? He loves you because you are you!

Blessings,
Joan Shisler
Senior Warden

Love is patient,
love is kind and is not jealous;
love does not brag and is not arrogant,
does not act unbecomingly; it does not
seek its own, is not provoked, does not
take into account a wrong suffered, does
not rejoice in unrighteousness, but
rejoices with the truth; bears all
things, believes all things,
hopes all things,
endures all
things.

~ 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

I have no idea where I am going

Over the past two days of reading my Daily Office, I have come across the words of Jesus to his would-be disciples: "Follow me." He says this to the rich young man, he says it to the fisherman on the beach, he says it to Peter after his resurrection from the dead. It always strikes me as so simple and so startling. For those to whom he was speaking in the text, it meant for them to physically walk behind the one in front of them, who was the Son of God.

But what about for us? As often as I come back to these texts and this seemingly simple command, I am perplexed as to what it means for me in any given situation. For those of us removed from Jesus' historical presence by about 2000 years, the path to follow does not appear so simple. Someone today might ask, does following Jesus mean that I should take this job or not? Should I give to this organization or that one? Do I get more involved with the church, or spend more time with my family? Should I come to church, or stay at home to keep my family safe from COVID?

I have no idea how to answer any of those questions. But I take comfort in the fact that I am not alone. The Cistercian monk and writer Thomas Merton, who wrestled profoundly with the vocation of a Religious in the twentieth century, penned the following prayer in the midst of his struggles:

***My Lord God,
I have no idea where I am going.
I do not see the road ahead of me.
I cannot know for certain where it will end.
nor do I really know myself,
and the fact that I think I am following your will
does not mean that I am actually doing so.
But I believe that the desire to please you
does in fact please you.
And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.
I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.
And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road,
though I may know nothing about it.
Therefore will I trust you always though
I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.
I will not fear, for you are ever with me,
and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.***

My friends taught me this prayer in the midst of my own vocational struggles a few years ago, and I have found it helpful ever since. It does not give us easy answers or comfort, because that is not what faith in Jesus does. But it does give us a place to start. To follow Jesus means to seek to do what God would have us do, namely, to love God and love others in his name, and to trust that he will show us how and be with us along the way. I hope that brings some comfort to those wrestling with how to respond to this pandemic as a Christian, and to young and old wondering which path to take. He will never leave us to face our perils alone.

Peace,
Nathan+



FEBRUARY SERVICE SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 6, 2022

**JOINT SERVICE & ANNUAL MEETING @ 9:30
IN SMITH HALL
& LIVE STREAMED**

FEBRUARY 13TH, 20TH, AND 27TH

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL @ 8:15 AM

MIDDLE SERVICE @ 9:30 IN SMITH HALL

MIDDLEHAM CHAPEL @ 11:15 AM

EVERY WEDNESDAY

HEALING & HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL @ 9:00 AM



Please remember during this time when Sunday worship at our locations is not possible for you, that you can mail in your weekly pledge if convenient.

**Middleham and St. Peter's Parish
P.O. Box 277
Lusby, MD 20657**



Also, we have our online giving option through Vanco.

[Middleham and St. Peter's Online Giving Option Steps](#)

MIDDLEHAM AND ST. PETER'S PARISH NEW VANCO FAITH TEXT GIVING OPTION



Video Link - How To Setup Text Giving Option

[Text Giving for Your Church Members on Vimeo](#)

<https://vimeo.com/262291796>

This information will also be available on our website.

<http://www.middlehamandstpeters.org/giving/giving-online/vanco-faith-text-giving/>



Middleham and St. Peter's Parish



**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

**Middleham and St. Peter's
Annual Parish Meeting
February 6, 2022 @ 9:30 AM in Smith Hall
Also Live Streamed on Facebook.
<https://www.facebook.com/middlehamandstpeters/>**



**SUNDAY STREAMING WORSHIP @ 11:00 AM SERVICE FROM
THE CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION, BALTIMORE.
[LIVE STREAMED from the Cathedral of the Incarnation](https://www.facebook.com/middlehamandstpeters/)**

<https://marylandepiscopalian.org/2020/03/18/episcopal-diocese-of-maryland-livestreamed-worship/>



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ONLINE SERVICES AT THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL**

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**THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF MARYLAND**

**Episcopal Diocese of Maryland
At Cathedral of the Incarnation**

Every Tuesday Live on Facebook Noon Day Prayer

<https://www.facebook.com/EpiscopalMaryland/>

PANCAKE SUPPER



Due to the continued restrictions associated with the CORONA virus our Pancake Supper will be a drive through event this year. One dinner will consist of 3 pancakes, butter, syrup and two sausages. Please sign up for the dinner by calling the office @ 410-326-4948 or email office@middlehamandstpeters.org and providing the number of dinners you would like to reserve by Friday February 25th.

Dinners will be ready for pick-up on Tuesday March 1st, between 4pm and 6pm.

Donations for the dinner are free will and will be collected at pickup from cars. Cash, Checks and Credit Cards will be accepted.

FREE WILL DONATIONS SUPPORT OUTREACH PROGRAMS

The Episcopal Church What is Shrove Tuesday?

Celebrated the day before Ash Wednesday, Shrove Tuesday (also called “Pancake Tuesday” or “Pancake Day”) is the final day before the 40-day period of Lent begins.

Its name comes from the Germanic-Old English word “shrive,” meaning absolve, and it is the last day of the liturgical season historically known as Shrovetide. Because it comes directly before Lent, a season of fasting and penitence, this was the day that Christians would go to be “shriven” by their confessor.

Shrove Tuesday also became a day for pre-fasting indulgence. In particular, the need to use up rich ingredients such as butter, milk, sugar and eggs before Lent gave rise to the tradition of eating pancakes on this day.

There are even historical references to a “pancake bell” in English towns being rung around 11 a.m. on this day to signal that it was time to get frying.

For Anglican churches across Canada, Shrove Tuesday means gathering for a pancake supper. Many churches host dinners or luncheons, serving pancakes usually with a range of toppings, fruit and sides like bacon or sausages. Visitors are usually asked to give a small contribution or freewill offering.

Louisiana famously celebrates Mardi Gras (French for “Fat Tuesday”) on this day, a carnival that includes a giant parade through the city. Other countries, including Brazil, Belgium, the Cayman Islands, France, Russia and Ukraine, hold Mardi Gras celebrations with carnivals and festivals.

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/dfms/pass-the-syrup-its-shrove-tuesday/>



THE CEEP NETWORK



STRENGTHENING LEADERS FOR A CHANGING CHURCH

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/>

		<h3>A Reminder from the Planned Giving and Endowment Committee</h3>
<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>		



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.

Christian Formation

In February, we have some events and opportunities planned for the older youth. We love coming together and doing our Asbury Valentine's Day treats. Last year we were able to get all our Valentine's together and have them delivered a little differently than we have most years. As I am writing this, I cannot promise how they will be delivered, but we will plan to do the Valentine's to the best and safest of our abilities.

We also have on our calendar an invitation to "The Happening". That is a youth run event in the diocese, held at the Bishop Claggett Center. The kids could travel to Buckeystown, MD and spend a weekend on their grounds. As always, we are going to listen to the Diocese, and decide where we are closer to the date and do what we feel is safest for all involved parties. Even though we have been thrown back into some uncertainty, I can absolutely say that it always works out better and makes our group stronger. Two years ago, we never imagined having to come up with two or three back up plans for every event and idea we had. Now, we're not only used to it, but we have an awesome time running with new ideas and making the best of confusing situations together. We have adopted the idea that sometimes things may not work out the way you want, but the way that things work out can be better than you could have imagined.

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

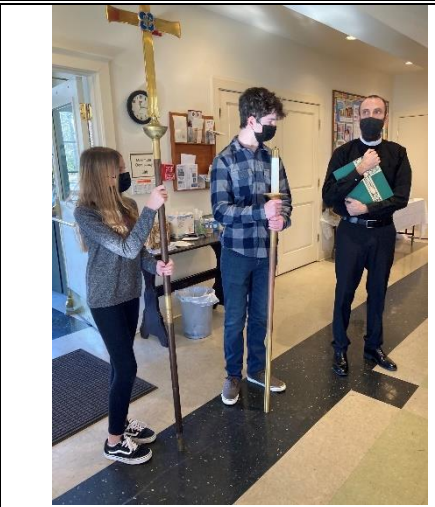
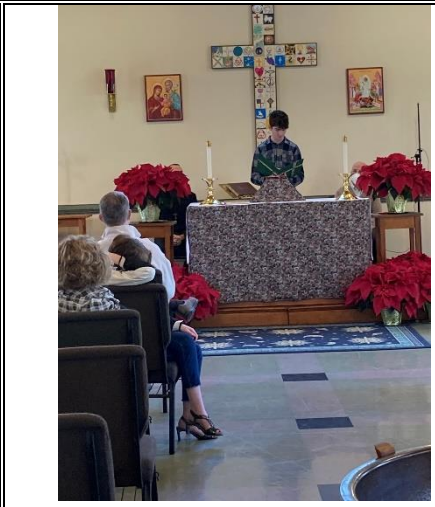
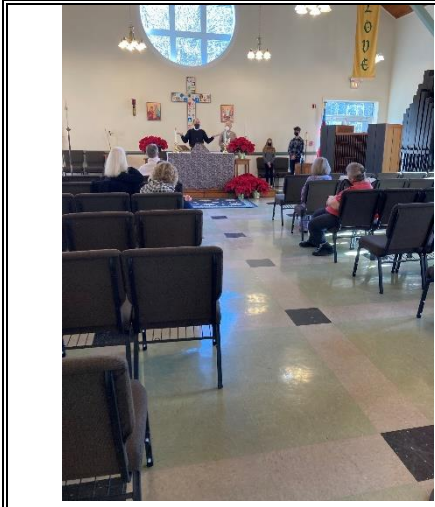
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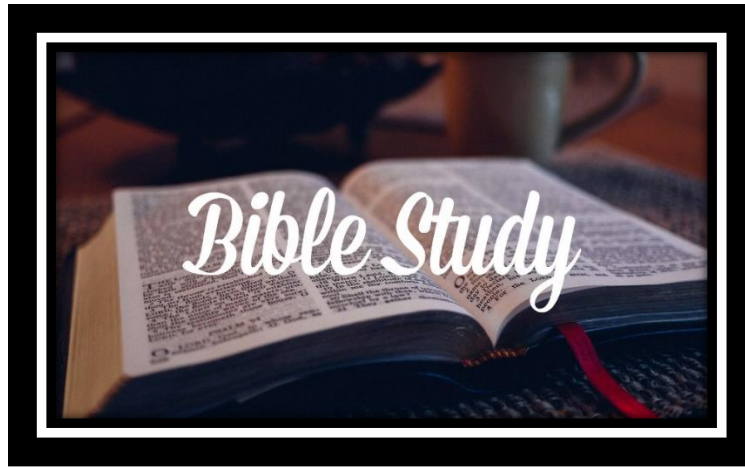
If anyone is still interested in becoming an Acolyte, Lay Reader, or Lay Chalist, and couldn't attend the training on January 23rd, please contact Anne Hayes.

443-624-6959. mspyouthleader@middlehamandstpeters.org

Anne Hayes, Youth Representative

ACOLYTE, LAY READER, & LAY CHALIST TRAINING





“EXPLORE THE ATTRIBUTES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

Bible Study: Christ Church invites you, members of, Middleham and St. Peter’s Parish, to come explore the attributes of the Holy Spirit through the examination of scripture and passages in the Book of Common Prayer during our next study. This book study began on January 12th, in a Zoom format.

Contact Cheryl Garcia at ccgarcia@gmail.com if still interested in participating or for a fuller description or with questions.

A promotional graphic for Lenten Season. The background is a rustic wooden texture. On the left, the text "LENTEN SEASON BEGINS WEDNESDAY MARCH 2nd" is written in a serif font. Below this is a circular logo with a compass rose design. The logo is divided into four quadrants: "HEART" (top-left, pink), "SOUL" (top-right, orange), "MIND" (bottom-left, blue), and "STRENGTH" (bottom-right, green). Each quadrant contains a specific attribute: "RELATIONSHIPS, AFFECTION, COMPASSION" for Heart; "SPIRITUALITY, FAITH, HOPE" for Soul; "EMOTIONAL, MENTAL, PHYSICAL WELL-BEING" for Mind; and "RESILIENCE, COURAGE, PERSEVERANCE" for Strength. To the right of the logo, the text "RESOURCES AND MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON" is displayed. On the right side of the graphic, there is a photograph of a wooden bench on a dirt path overlooking a scenic valley. Above the photo, the text "LIVING COMPASS" is small, and "Living Well Through Lent 2022" is larger. Below the photo, the text "Letting Go with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind" is written in a cursive font.

ENGAGE WITH US THROUGHOUT THE 2022 LENT SEASON!

The theme for our 2022 Lent daily devotional is *Letting Go with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind.*

Each year, tens of thousands of people across different denominations use our daily devotionals to prepare for the coming of Easter. Congregations also use the devotional for Lent programs, classes, small group discussions, and retreats with support of our FREE downloadable and printable Facilitator's Guide. Below you will find multiple ways to engage these resources, either individually or as a lay or clergy leader.

- Order our Lent devotional as a printed 5.5" x 8.5" **booklet** in English and Spanish while supplies last. Printed booklets are \$1 per booklet (less than 1/3 of our cost to produce the booklets). Shipping is FREE for orders of 10 or more booklets and \$10 for orders of 1-9 booklets. If you have questions about printed booklets, contact Carolyn Karl at carolyn@livingcompass.org. We sell out every year, so order early.
- Download our Lent devotional as a FREE **PDF** file in English and Spanish.
- Purchase our Lent devotional as an **e-book** from Amazon for .99 cents.
- Sign up to receive each day's reflection via a **daily email** for FREE.
- Download our Lent **Facilitator's Guide** as a FREE **PDF** file.
- Join our private **Lent Facebook Group** for thoughtful reflection and conversation.
- Access all past daily reflections on our **website**.



Find these Lent resources at livingcompass.org/lent



***Living Well Through Lent 2022: Letting Go with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind* includes reflections from:**

Robbin Brent, The Rt. Rev. Brian Cole, Amy Cook, Dr. Sarah Robinson Flick, The Rev. Jan Kwiatkowski, William "Father Bill" Miller, The Rev. Dr. Scott Stoner, The Rev. Mary Bea Sullivan, The Rev. Benjamin Thomas, The Rev. Ed Thompson, and Liz Ward

Also available: ***Vivir una buena Cuaresma en el 2022: Soltar y dejar ir con todo el corazón, alma, fuerzas y mente*** – a Spanish Lent daily devotional with completely original content.



Lay Pastoral Visitors Group



If you are interested in having Lay Pastoral Visitors come to be with you, please contact the Parish Office.

PHONE :410-326-4948 or EMAIL office@middlehamandstpeters.org

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.



MIDDLEHAM AND
ST. PETER'S
CARING NETWORK

If you or someone you know
should be on our prayer list please
send it to...

office@middlehamandstpeters.org
or Diane Davies @
daviesd@comcast.net

office@middlehamandstpeters.org or daviesd@comcast.net

Names from the Prayer List and the Deceased List will be removed after six weeks. If you would like to re-add a name, please let Diane Davies know.

daviesd@comcast.net

MSP PRAYER LIST



MSP Prayer List

Thomas P. Favor
The Wagner family
The Keen family
Joni Beall
Barry Grier
Janet Werner
Grace Malba
Michael Volinski
Michele Chelednik
Malcolm Funn
Matthew Butler
Sabrina Moran
Chuck Beitzell
Betty D'Agostino
Penney File
Grace Korn
Douglas Pardoe
George Buckler
Marjorie Caya
Dick Hu
Sue Hu
Jimmy Holesapple
Mary Ellen Elwell
Dorothy Swann
Lisa Greenlee
Stanley Buckler
Phil Lemkau
Colleen Davies
Mary Heflebower.
Susie Wheely
Bill Gallagher
Chloe Turnbaugh
Laura Rae Turnbaugh
The Blackwell Family
Ed Frantz
Charlie Snyder
JoAnne Snyder

The Bowen Family
The Griffin Family
Louise Smith
Sally Ray
Pam Hawkins
Greg Garland
Viki Garland
Bob Wilson
Kitty Wilson
Barry Grier
Donna Binger
Betty Anne Moore Chaney
Bonnie Tolson

MILITARY LIST

Chris Parkinson
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
Steven Diehl
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
Charlie Snyder
JoAnne Snyder
Ed Frantz

DEPARTED LIST

David Wagner
Helen Jayn Griffin (Bowen)
Peg Hovermale
Anthony D'Agostino
Cody Blackwell
Betty Hatfield
Lynn Chasko
Sarabeth Smith
Thomas Pumillo
John Herchenroeder

PARISH HEALTH

Parish Health article for the February 2022 Connector

February is American Heart Month!

Did you know that people who have close relationships at home, work, or in their community tend to be healthier and live longer? One reason, according to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), is that we're more successful at meeting our health goals when we work on them with others. NHLBI launched the #OurHearts movement to inspire us to protect and strengthen our hearts with the support of others.

Here are some facts, how-to tips, and resources to inspire you to join with others, even if you can't be physically together, to improve your heart health:

Heart disease is a leading cause of death for both men and women in the United States. Most middle-aged and young adults have one or more risk factors for heart disease, such as diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or being a smoker or overweight. Having multiple risk factors increases your risk for heart disease.

Why Connecting is Good for Your Heart

Feeling connected with others and having positive, close relationships benefit our overall health, including our blood pressure and weight. Having people in our lives who motivate and care for us helps, as do feelings of closeness and companionship.

Follow these heart-healthy lifestyle tips to protect your heart. It will be easier and more successful if you work on them with others, including by texting or phone calls if needed.

- Be more physically active.
- Maintain a healthy weight.
- Eat a nutritious diet.
- Quit smoking.
- Reduce stress.
- Get 7-8 hours of quality sleep each night.
- Track your heart health stats.

You don't have to make big changes all at once. Small steps will get you where you want to go.

Move more

Invite family, friends, colleagues, or members of your community to join you in your efforts to be more physically active:

- Ask a colleague to walk "with you" on a regular basis, put the date on both your calendars, and text or call to make sure you both get out for a walk.
- Get a friend or family member to sign up for the same online exercise class, such as a dance class. Make it a regular date!
- Grab your kids, put on music, and do jumping jacks, skip rope, or dance in your living room or yard.

How much is enough? Aim for at least 2½ hours of physical activity each week—that's just 30 minutes a day, 5 days a week. In addition, do muscle strengthening exercises 2 days a week. Can't carve out a lot of time in your day? Don't chuck your goal, chunk it! Try 10 or 15 minutes a few times a day.



Article submitted by Karl Garland for Parish Health

To Read The Remaining Portion Of This Article It Can Be Found At
www.middlehamandstpeters.org/resources

LOVE YOUR HEART

- Get active
- Eat well
- Control cholesterol
- Manage blood pressure
- Reduce blood sugar
- Lose weight
- Quit smoking

AMERICAN HEART MONTH



**Delivering supplies to Florida for Haiti School Nurse Program
Thank You Jim and Dale Yoe**



COMMUNITY OUTREACH VEHICLE:

Calvert County Health Department will have our mobile vaccination van on various sites throughout Calvert County.



Sign up for an initial vaccination, second dose, or booster under any clinic below. Flu vaccines are also available and may be given at the same time as Covid vaccinations. Anyone 12 or older is eligible for vaccination at our mobile van. For those 12-17 years-old, a parent or guardian must consent for vaccination. Boosters are given at least 5 months after the second dose in the primary series. Immunocompromised individuals may require a third dose, given 28 days after the second dose. Individuals with immune deficiencies should discuss this with their medical provider.

Monday January 31, 2022 Pfizer (ages 12+) Moderna (18+) Flu 9AM – 1 PM Fairview Library
<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0517621129>

Monday February 7, 2022 at 7-11 Sunderland from 9 AM to 1PM
<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6113430932>

Monday February 14, 2022 at Southern Library Solomons, MD from 9AM to 1PM
<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9410236431>

Monday February 28, 2022 at 7-11 Prince Frederick, MD from 9AM to 1PM
<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/2231913069>

OUTREACH AT MSP



SAFE NIGHTS 2022

Safe Nights is an interfaith consortium of churches that open their hearts and church homes to the homeless for one week each beginning in November and ending in March. Safe Nights provides winter protection for Calvert County's homeless by offering shelter in a clean and safe environment. Host shelters provide a warm bed and breakfast, a bag lunch and dinner. Shelter hours are 7 PM to 7 AM seven days a week.

Middleham and St. Peter's Parish is helping St. Paul's host the week of January 30th – February 5th. The sign-up sheet is in all the worship sites, for meals and overnight coverage.

Middleham and St. Peter's is taking care of Wednesday February 2nd and Thursday February 3rd. We will be providing breakfast, morning clean-up, evening help, evening meal, and female and male overnight monitors.

All slots have been filled except for evening help on February 2nd from 6-9 PM. This involves eating with the guests and socializing until the overnight monitors arrive. Please call or text Carolyn at 443-618-7934, or email at jsteineriv@comcast.net if you have questions or would like to sign up for this. St. Paul's United Methodist Church is hosting and is located at the corner of HG Trueman Rd and Cove Point Rd. There are up to 12 guests being served. Thanks to all who have already signed up to help with this important outreach ministry.

Carolyn Steiner, Outreach Coordinator



ECHO Dinners

The fourth Monday of 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 **MONTHS IN 2022**. 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



**MEALS ON WHEELS
VOLUNTEER
DRIVERS
NEEDED!**

Help us deliver meals to homebound seniors.

Can you assist us with 1 or 2 days per month?

Make a difference in the life of a senior citizen!

Call the Calvert County Office on Aging at 410-535-4606 ext. 124

 
www.calvertmealsonwheels.org

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...
Jim Yoe 443-975-6797 jmyoe@comcast.net



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

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

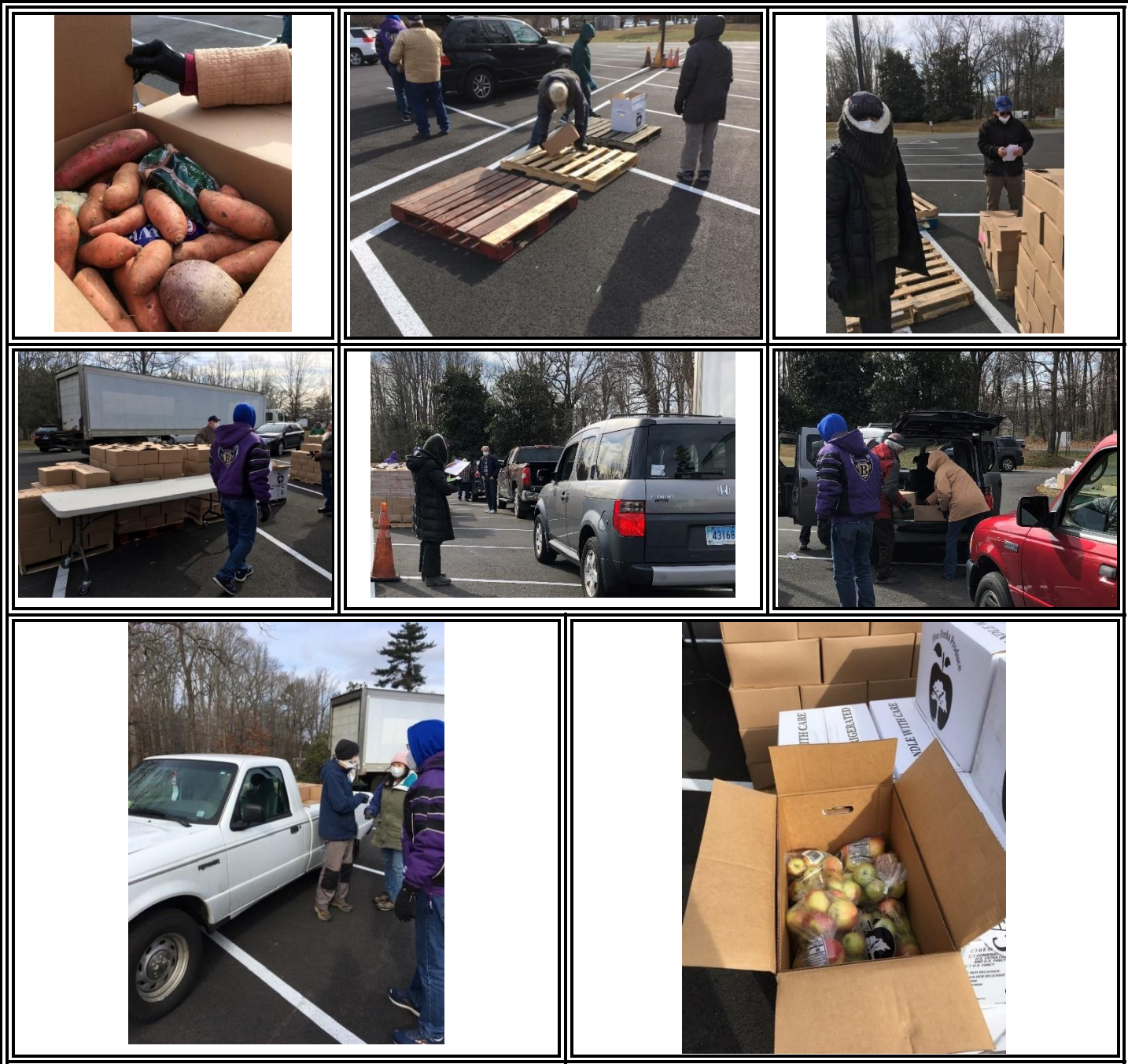
interested and would like more detail or are ready to sign up as a driver.

NEXT DATE IS FRIDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2022

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

FOOD DISTRIBUTION JANUARY 21, 2022
Super cold day, everyone was bundled up, Kristin in many scarves.
MANY BOXES WERE DELIVERED
STATS WERE 441 HOUSEHOLDS, 1600 PEOPLE SERVED





PLASTIC BAG COLLECTION FOR BENCHES



We have collected enough bags (500 lbs.) for one bench already - and it looks like we are well on our way to a second bench!

Thank you Anne for the update and picture of Fr. Nathan.

Picture submitted by Anne Gross

Please continue to collect plastic bags.

There are collection bins at St. Peter's and the Smith Hall, and Anne will bring any from St. Peter's to Smith Hall. This is another way we can all be stewards of God's world.

Thank you, from Carolyn, for help with this project.

Contact Carolyn Steiner if you have any questions.

at email jsteineriv@comcast.net.



JOBSOURCE VAN WILL BE AT SMILE EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY

Looking for employment and job search assistance? The JobSource Mobile Career Center and staff are available to assist you the First Wednesday of Every Month, 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM in the Middleham Campus parking lot next to SMILE Ecumenical Ministries

The Southern Maryland JobSource Mobile Career Center is a free job search and placement resource. The Center makes job-hunting tools available to everyone in our community. Center staff helps you plan job searches, apply for jobs on-line, create resumes and cover letters and answer career development questions. The center has 12 computer stations where you can search for local, state and national jobs.

The Mobile Career Center is provided by The Southern Maryland Job Source with the support of Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Parish and SMILE Ecumenical Ministries.



BOOKMOBILE WILL BE AT SMILE EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY

11:00 AM – NOON

**Computers & Printing, Library Card Services, Wi-Fi Access,
Wheelchair Lift and more.**

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.**
- **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.**

**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.**



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for women

American Heart Association 

Learn and Live

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 4TH



MONDAY FEBRUARY 21ST

VARIOUS
RESOURCES
ARE AVAILABLE
ON OUR WEBSITE
MIDDLEHAMANDSTPETERS.ORG/RESOURCES

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<http://www.middlehamandstpeters.org/resources/>



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ARTICLE SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS
NO LATER THAN TUESDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 15TH

Thanks so much, Karen Timmons, Communications
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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Bryan Carpenter	02/01
Cheri Campbell	02/02
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
Cole Walker	02/23
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!