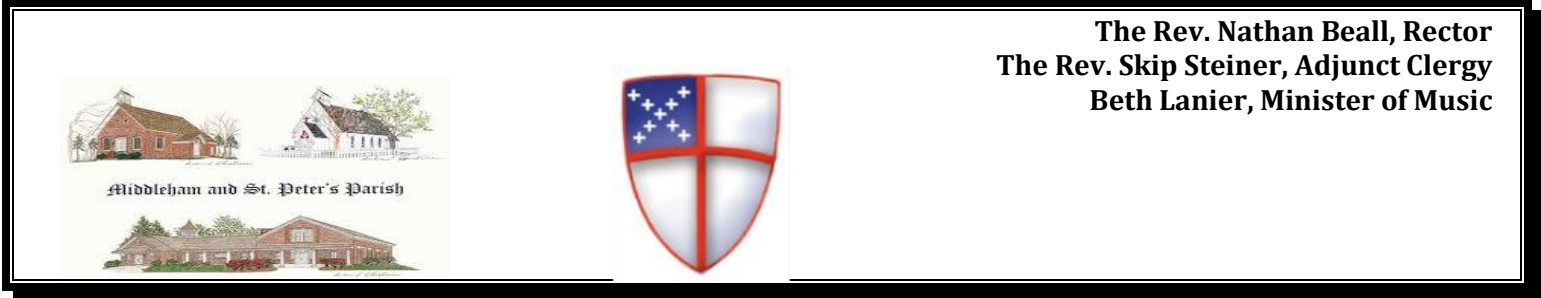


The **CONNECTOR**

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Hope and Optimism

Ready or not, here comes 2022. I don't know about you, but I think it's important to start the New Year off on a positive note and set the bar high, rather than, well you know, "the opposite." Saying it, thinking it, or writing it gives "the opposite" power, credence, and life. Instead, let's concentrate on hope and optimism!

There is a difference between hope and optimism, but we'll need both to start the New Year off right. Optimism is a positive emotion, a feeling of confidence that something you want will happen. When things don't turn out, optimism can easily turn to pessimism. Hope is a tad more steadfast than optimism. It's an attitude of faith in yourself and the inherent good of others. It gives you the strength to remain positive regardless of what is happening in your life and prevents you from not giving up when the going gets tough. Hope makes us resilient.

There are many reasons to focus on hope and optimism especially in the New Year.

It depends on your perspective. Do you see the glass as half full or half empty? Do you wallow in life's disappointments, disasters, and dread what lies ahead, or do you see the silver lining, the break in the clouds, and believe there are better days ahead?

Being hopeful and optimistic may or may not come naturally. Sometimes we have to work on it. Here are a few points for being more hopeful:

1. Look for meaning in challenging moments. I'm a believer that everything happens for a reason, so have faith that whatever you are going through will help you grow, will be a learning experience, and will ultimately benefit you.
2. Look for the good in others. There are so many good, kind, and loving people in the world and even those who we don't always see in a positive light could have some redeeming qualities. This attitude does not negate the fact that some people do horrible things but staying hopeful gives humanity a chance. Also, being kind yourself always makes you, and them, feel better.
3. Be grateful and practice gratitude. Thank God for your blessings and realize how much you have going for you versus the difficulties helps you feel more positive and hopeful of what the future will bring.
4. Inspire hope in others. When you have hope and let others know you have it, hope is contagious. Spread it around. People want to believe in a brighter future, and so should you.

One way to be more optimistic is to visualize your best possible future self as vividly as you can. There is an exercise that you can do to boost your optimism. Take time, each day if you can, to envision yourself in the future, generating vivid images of positive events occurring with you in the center of them. Imagine all the goals you set for yourself coming true and realizing that you have the power to make it happen. Being optimistic is a good thing. It's a confidence booster and motivates you to follow your dreams. Hope takes the positive a step further, it keeps you going and lights up your life when things go dark.

Optimism is simply looking at the bright side of things. Hope is choosing to believe in the best positive result out of all the possibilities. Optimists are people who expect desired outcomes to happen in the future and undesired outcomes not to happen. People with hope think about the different and specific ways to reach their goals and tell themselves they can achieve their goals. Optimism is a way of thinking about life that includes the belief that things will work out reasonably well, that even with troubles, life is still good and that there is almost always a way to get the job done. Hope helps people better cope with stressful and difficult times and adapt accordingly. People with hope, along with a wish and a prayer, have a concrete plan to make whatever needs to be done happen. A hopeful

person will set goals, find a way to meet those goals and have the flexibility and know-how to see those goals through. You too can be a hopeful optimist.

Hope and optimism are part of our cognitive, emotional, and motivational outlook toward the future, both featuring the belief that pleasant events will outweigh the bad events in the future. Hope and optimism are both significantly related to life satisfaction. Being hopeful is believing you can achieve goals overall leading to increased well-being and it reflects your ability to generate the means to overcome obstacles. Being optimistic can raise your resilience and help you better cope with hardships. Being optimistic is the belief that the future can be better. Being hopeful can place you in a better position to reach your goals and to strengthen your grit, giving you the perseverance and passion to achieve long-term goals and a better future. Simply put, the optimistic person believes that somehow, either through luck, the actions of others, or one's own actions, that his or her future will be successful and fulfilling. The hopeful person believes specifically in his or her own capability for securing a successful and fulfilling future. While it is good to be optimistic and to have hope, having both together can have the most powerful impact ever. The combination of hope and optimism creates the best foundation for your best New Year ever. Having both allows us to better handle uncertainty, difficulty, and challenges. Having both enables us to be less afraid and to find a way to follow our dreams. Having both makes us happier and healthier. So, let's all try to find a way to be more hopeful and optimistic and start the New Year off right. And if you are wondering where God fits into the hopeful and optimistic scenario, God is always there to help us and guide us. Also, remember this. "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." **Philippians 4:4-8.**

Blessing for the New Year

Joan Shisler

Senior Warden

Formation

As we begin the new year according to the secular calendar, I would like to invite us into a season of formation. We plan to continue all of our active ministries in the community, God-willing and COVID permitting. But we might also take this time to return as a parish to a prayerful center for all those activities, and we call the return to that center “formation.”

In one sense, formation is at the heart of all we do. Everything *forms* us more fully to love God and one another: worship, evangelism and outreach, book and Bible studies. But when we speak about formation in terms of activity, we tend to speak about intellectual formation. That is to say, when we say “formation,” we tend to mean sitting in a group and talking. The reason we do that is to inform and articulate everything else we do as a parish. Worship for Episcopalians emphasizes mystery, hence we might say it focuses on the soul. Service in the community, such as packing backpacks and delivering boxes of food, involves our bodies. But it is easy to forget why we do such things, hence the need to form our minds as well.

We already do this in a number of ways. Many of the groups that meet for our parish begin with prayer, offered by me or someone else. During the meetings of the vestry and the lay pastoral visitors group, Father Skip or I offer a short reflection. We do this for the very reason that I mentioned above: to ground our activities, even mental ones, in spiritual formation. We direct our minds to God in order to properly prepare them for the business at hand.

Our parish also has a history of doing this through coffee and conversation, Tuesday Bible studies, Wednesday evening talks, and other ways. Some of these have shifted forms or dwindled during the pandemic, but we have also seen new opportunities arise. Our Advent book study has provided rich conversation about the sacraments, which I hope to see continue in some form. We are planning to continue Thirsty Theology in a new format. I will be teaching theology at St. Mary’s College in the spring semester, which I hope will provide some formation for the students as well as me, and bear fruit in my preaching and teaching. Perhaps some of you will have other ideas for digging more deeply into the Word of God—I welcome those!

So I pray that each of us can find one of these opportunities each week to better form our minds in Christ. If you need some help with that, just let me know. Formation helps us to offer ourselves fully—mind, body, and soul—back to God in all we do.

“Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.” -Philippians 2:5

Peace,
Nathan+

An Open Letter to the Congregation for Support at Worship Services

It's been almost two years since the Pandemic caused us to reevaluate how we provide spiritual support to the members of our congregation. In that time, we experimented with services on Zoom, outside services in tents and live streaming of services. The support needed to make these events occur has been accomplished by a small Technical Team, Acolytes and Lay Chalcists.

Prior to reentering into our worship spaces, we were reaching over 100 viewers weekly in many different states. Since reentering, our weekly attendance via Live Stream, is still between 35-50 viewers. Unfortunately, during this same time our support for the services has diminished. We have fewer technical people, fewer Lay Chalcists and fewer Acolytes. When I was growing up in Catonsville, I attended St. Timothy's and was an Acolyte for about seven years. After that I was asked to join the choir at St Bartholomew's in Baltimore. So, why am I telling you, my history? In each of the places I have worshiped I've found it more moving and rewarding to participate in the services.

As we enter the Christmas season and the new year it is becoming more challenging to fill all of the positions for each service and live stream to our extended family. I would ask each of you to think about joining the services in these positions. You don't have to be a youth member to be an Acolyte. You don't have to be a computer wizard to be on the Tech Team and you don't have to be ordained to be a Lay Chalcist.

So, to lead by example, I personally plan to go back to my roots and fill in as an Acolyte for the Christmas Eve late service at 10 pm in Middleham Chapel. I will also be the Lay Chalcist for the Sunday after Christmas (December 26, joint service at 9:30 in Smith Hall) and continue with tech support for live streaming. My challenge to you is to consider doing the same. Not necessarily all three, but pick one you are comfortable with or one which stretches you to try something new. Become a part of the services.

If you have the desire to help us fill positions, please contact Anne Hayes or me so we can add your name to our teams. We are planning to have training sessions in late January also for those who want to participate.

Respectfully,

Jim Yoe, Jr. Warden



**FROM THE STAFF, WARDENS AND VOLUNTEERS
@ MIDDLEHAM & ST. PETER'S PARISH**



NEW YEAR PRAYER:

Thank You Lord for giving me
The brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should
As each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom
That I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage
So a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty,
Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy
And happiness it brings.
Amen.



JANUARY SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY JANUARY 2ND LESSONS & CAROLS
JOINT SERVICE @ 9:30 IN SMITH HALL
& LIVE STREAMED

JANUARY 9TH, 16TH, 23RD AND 30TH

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/>

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/>

 <p>Middleham and St. Peter's Parish</p>		<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

It's a NEW YEAR!

Youth

As we head into 2022, we are excited to see the little bit of normal return as well. The youth have been busy not only within different programs around our parish, but they have seen the return of school, clubs, sports, plays and band concerts. We will also see the return of being able to attend events and small gatherings with other parish around the diocese, and so far none of these events have the words “zoom id” next to them. We will continue to keep some of the small changes that we have made, especially with the middle and high school youth meeting times. We currently meet at 6 pm on Sunday evenings, for a game and then bible lesson. With the change in our time, it not only has been more accommodating to all their busy schedules, but it means that we have been able to play games that we’re previously available to us. On any given Sunday evening, if you look out around the parish grounds, you can see the twinkle of flashlights running through the dark, as the youth engage in epic games of hide-n-seek and flashlight tag.

Young Adult

In January, Christian Formation will also see the return of Thirsty Theology. We will be returning to the old model, and meet at the Ale House in St. Mary’s County on Thursday, January 20th. We have been able to partner with a few churches from around the area, and are looking forward to being able to engage with each other in person and get back out in public and meet some new people.

Altar Servers and Tech Crew

The lay readers, acolytes and tech team are looking forward to another amazing year. We are always looking for assistance in any of those areas. On January 23rd at 10:30 at Smith Hall we will have a rehearsal for lay readers and acolytes. This rehearsal is for those already serving and for anyone who wishes to serve or just learn more. The tech team will also be running a course on how we put on the livestream every Sunday morning. We have something for everyone, if you are interested in knowing more about joining any of these groups, please let me know.

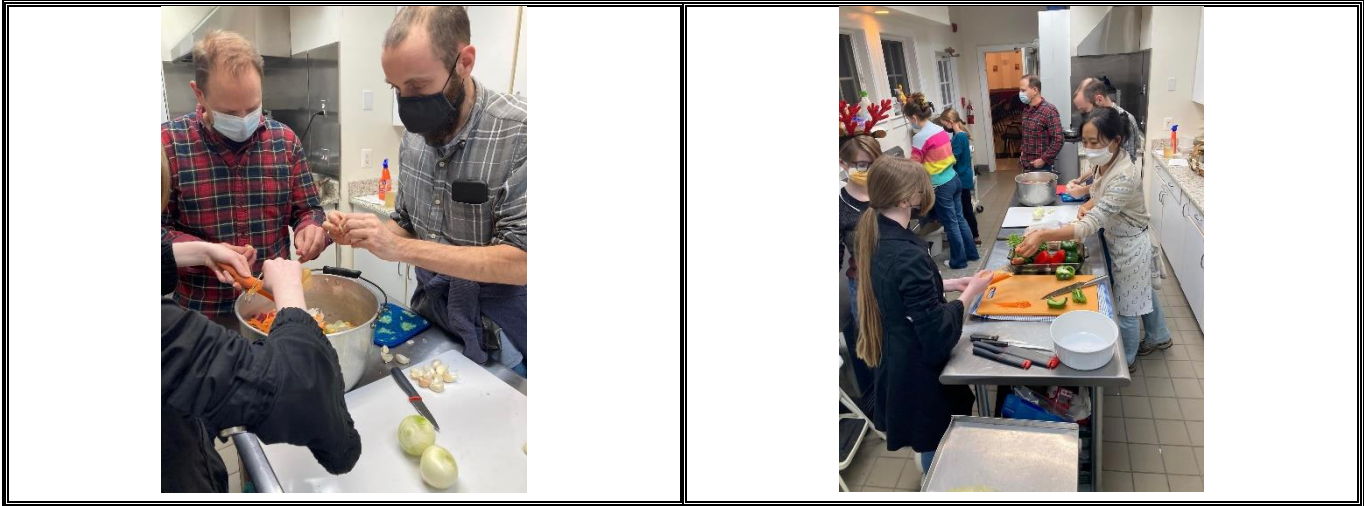
Anne Hayes
443.624.6959
mspyouthleader@middlehamandstpeters.org

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**](mailto:mspyouthleader@middlehamandstpeters.org)

Submitted by Anne Hayes, Youth Representative

YOUTH GROUP ECHO MEAL



RESUMES SUNDAY JANUARY 9, 2022

<p>Middleham and St. Peter's Parish</p> <h3>SUNDAY SCHOOL</h3> <p>2021-2022</p> <h3>CHILDREN & YOUTH</h3> <p>Please contact Anne Hayes for information.</p> <p>MSPYouthLeader@middlehamandstpeters.org</p> <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLLOWS 9:50 Middle Service in Smith Hall EXCEPT 1ST SUNDAYS</p>	<p>Middleham and St. Peter's Parish</p> <h3>COFFEE AND CONVERSATION</h3> <p>2021 - 2022</p> <h3>ADULTS</h3> <p>Contact Hugh Davies for information. daviesh@comcast.net</p> <p>FOLLOWING 9:30 SERVICE IN THE PARISH HALL EXCEPT 1ST SUNDAYS</p>
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**ASBURY SOLOMONS EPISCOPAL FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON
WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, January 20, 2022
IN THE RIVERVIEW DINING ROOM
AT 11:30 FOR EUCHARIST, NOON FOR LUNCH, 12:30 FREE PROGRAM**

Father Nathan will be speaking about the week of prayer for Christian unity.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY NOON ON 1/6/22

**RESPOND TO 410-394-3162 OR CUBBY 412, to Mary Beth Dent
\$11 PAYMENT BY A/S FOOD POINTS; NON RESIDENT \$11.66 BY CASH OR CHECK
ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE HONORED. ONLY EXCEPTION IS ILLNESS.**



“EXPLORE THE ATTRIBUTES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

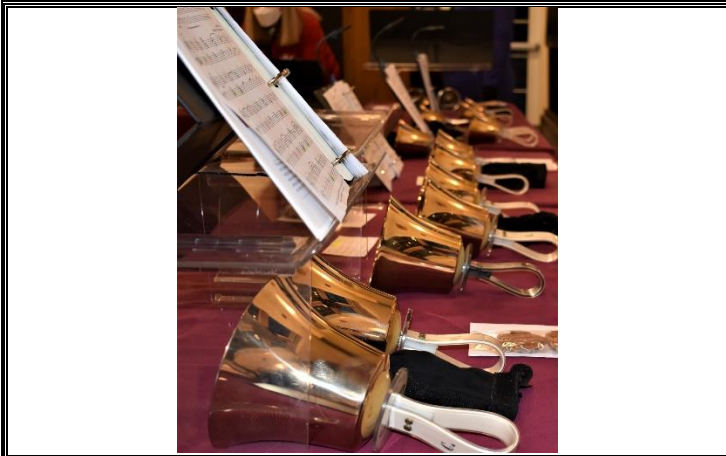
Bible Study: Christ Church invites you, members of, Middleham and St. Peter’s Parish, to come explore the attributes of the Holy Spirit through the examination of scripture and passages in the Book of Common Prayer during our next study. The same material is offered 7:00-8:15 Wednesday evenings and 10:45 - 12:00 Thursday mornings. The groups currently gather via zoom although the Thursday group *may* add an in-person component in the future. Previous bible study experience is not necessary. A bible and a copy of the Book of Common Prayer are required for this study. (BCPs are available to check out if needed.) Handouts with homework are emailed in advance of each session. Class sizes run between 6 and 12 members and represent 5 different congregations. The first Wednesday session will meet January 12th and the first Thursday session will meet January 13th. Contact Cheryl Garcia at ccgarcia@gmail.com for a fuller description or with questions.

Thank you for sharing this announcement. I am looking forward to this next study.

Cheryl C Garcia

703-349-9319 (cell)

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE IN SMITH HALL



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE IN MIDDLEHAM CHAPEL



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
The Cosgrove family
Joni Beall
Jack Townsend
Barry Grier
Janet Werner
Grace Malba
Michael Volinski
Michele Chelednik
Malcolm Funn
Dan Gross
Betty Hatfield
Dale, Sandy, Skye Chasko
Matthew Butler
Sabrina Moran
Evan Hoisington
Donna Binger
Sherry and Jim Burcham
Chuck Beitzell
Lee Garland
Betty Anne Moore
Steven Butler
Raymond
Betty Hainkie
Anthony D'Agostino
Betty D'Agostino
Donald Jones
Cherie Jones
Austin Jones
Melissa Keener
Joy Plaine
Evan Grabus
Donald Jones
Penney File
John Cole

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
Maryellen Kalivoda
Mary Heflebower.
Susie Wheely
Bill Gallagher

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

DEPARTED LIST

David Wagner
Helen Jayn Griffin (Bowen)



Each December 18 on National Wreaths Across America Day, this organization's mission to Remember, Honor and Teach is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 2,500 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

Our local American Legion came to Middleham Cemetery as part of this mission and set out wreathes on all of our veterans' graves. I happened to be there, greeted them, and showed them the chapel, which they very much appreciated.

Submitted by Hugh Davies



PARISH HEALTH



January is Thyroid Disease month. Since Hashimotos thyroiditis isn't well known I wanted to enlighten people of this disease.

Also called Hashimoto's disease, [Hashimoto's thyroiditis](#) is an [autoimmune disease](#), a disorder in which the immune system turns against the body's own tissues. In people with Hashimoto's, the immune system attacks the [thyroid](#). This can lead to [hypothyroidism](#), a condition in which the [thyroid](#) does not make enough hormones for the body's needs.

Located in the front of your neck, the [thyroid](#) gland makes hormones that control [metabolism](#). This includes your heart rate and how quickly your body uses calories from the foods you eat.

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Submitted By Betty Eble Parish Health

Calvert County Health Department Vaccination Schedule

Fox Run Clinic: 713 Solomons Island Rd. N, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Please go inside for vaccinations. This location is handicap accessible.

If you need help making an appointment, call 410-535-0218 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 08:30-4:30 for assistance.

Sign up for your third dose/booster dose under any adult clinic below. Boosters are given at least 4 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.

Moderna is a two-dose series with the second dose at least 28 days after the first; we recommend making an appointment for a second dose immediately after making a first dose appointment. It is currently only approved for ages 18 and up.

Moderna Tuesday January 4, 2022 1PM-3PM 1/4/22

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/4116296054>

Moderna Thursday January 6, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/4669190621>

Moderna Wednesday January 12, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/2614667109>

Moderna Friday January 14, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/1462916606>

Moderna Wednesday January 19, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6261914061>

Moderna Friday January 21, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0611562694>

Moderna Monday January 24, 2020 1PM-3PM 1/24/22

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6661401292>

Moderna Wednesday January 26, 2022 1PM-3PM 1/26/22

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/1160620964>

Moderna Friday January 28, 2022 1PM-3PM 1/28/22

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/4116296063>

Pfizer is a two-dose series with the second dose at least 21 days after the first; we recommend making an appointment for a second dose immediately after making a first dose appointment. It is currently approved for Pediatric Ages and Adults. [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine EUA Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers](#)

Pfizer Monday January 2, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/4106010297>

Pfizer Wednesday January 5, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0926064101>

Pfizer Friday January 7, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6021109041>

Pfizer Monday January 10, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0196415200>

Pfizer Tuesday January 11, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9102026041>

Pfizer Thursday January 13, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0041600921>

Pfizer Tuesday January 18, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/0964021103>

Pfizer Thursday January 20, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/1892406001>

Pfizer Tuesday January 25, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/1240069041>

Pfizer Thursday January 27, 2022 1PM-3PM

<https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/1492919600>

OUTREACH AT MSP



Please share with all at Middleham and St. Peter's our thanks for the 28 Christmas at Sea packages. This Christmas may be even harder for seafarers than last year, and we appreciate everyone's help in brightening their dark December. And a special thanks to the "reindeer" who delivered the gifts--it was fun chatting!

There are many calls on everyone's time and resources, especially at this time of year. Thank you for choosing to support seafarers, and please keep them in prayer.

Advent and Christmas blessings,
Mary

(The Rev.) Mary Davisson, Director
Baltimore International Seafarers' Center



Thank you, parishioners, for supporting both the Baltimore International Seafarers and the Angel Tree gifts for children in Calvert County. We appreciate your commitment and support every year with these programs.

Submitted by Carolyn Steiner, Outreach Chair - jsteineriv@comcast.net

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



HeartFELT 2021/2022 School Year

19 HeartFELT Gift Cards received from Weis for packing on 12/19/21



We packed the jumbo HeartFELT bags on Sunday for the Christmas break which will be delivered to our 2 schools on Tuesday, 12/21/21. Each bag contains an MSP Christmas card with the \$20 Weis gift card.

Thanks,
Elizabeth Broadus, MSP HeartFELT Coordinator
elizabethruggles@comcast.net

HEARTFELT CHRISTMAS PACKING



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



PLASTIC BAG COLLECTION FOR BENCHES

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.

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 JANUARY 21, 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



BOOKMOBILE WILL BE AT SMILE EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY

11:00 AM – NOON

Computers & Printing, Library Card Services, Wi-Fi Access,

Wheelchair Lift and more.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL

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SUNDAY STREAMING WORSHIP @ 11:00 AM SERVICE FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION, BALTIMORE.
[LIVE STREAMED from the Cathedral of the Incarnation](https://marylandepiscopalian.org/2020/03/18/episcopal-diocese-of-maryland-livestreamed-worship/)
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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.**

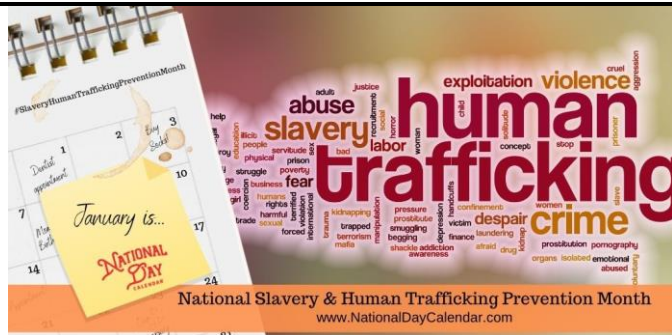
JANUARY

Lessons & Carols

JANUARY 2, 2022

9:30 AM

JOINT SERVICE IN SMITH HALL



VARIOUS RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
[MIDDLEHAMANDSTPETERS.ORG/RESOURCES](http://www.middlehamandstpeters.org/resources)

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Lochlan Weems	01/04
Paul Kelly	01/04
Lisa Greenlee	01/05
Henry Meiser	01/10
Riley O'Brien	01/13
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!