

The **CONNECTOR**

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JUNE & JULY

Listen to your life.

See it for the fathomless mystery that it is.

In the boredom and pain of it

No less than in the excitement and gladness:

Touch, taste, smell your way to the holy hidden heart of it.

Because in the last analysis all moments are key moments

And life itself is grace.

Frederick Buechner

Life as an individual or a community and especially as a follower of Jesus can be a paradox. On the one hand it is as simple as the words of Jesus.....Love the Lord your God with all you heart, mind and soul and love your neighbor as yourself. On the other side the paradox becomes more of a mystery and perhaps a bit more tedious and complicated.

Frederick Buechner offers us some insight into such a journey. Whatever life brings to you, boredom, pain, excitement, or gladness, embrace it in a close up and personal way...touch, taste, and smell. You can't just think your way to community. It is a messy, and complicated process. Either as an individual or a community, it means this journey is personal and all pervasive.

David Oliver, father of Diane Davies and a member of this parish was buried out of Middleham Chapel on May 17. In a sermon he gave at the Lake of the Woods Church, he talked about three key elements when you consider the Christian life. He emphasized all three are essential and interlocking. First, an acceptance of God's amazing generous love for you and the world. Second, God gives every one of us talents, and third, we have time...the living of our lives. He closed his sermon with a challenge to his church family: be generous with your love and use your talents and abilities and time to be of service to others in the world. That is what being faithful is all about for a Christian.

In the coming weeks and months, the congregation of Middleham and St. Peters will be called upon as individuals and as a community of faith to listen to your life and to explore the mystery of it as a people of God. It may be exciting, painful, and full of hope and gladness, maybe not much boredom. My prayer is that it will be a time of entering into that great mystery of what it means to live in Christian community with grace, and to explore the challenge of David Oliver to embrace God's love as a catalysis to be of service to the community and the larger world.

Peace,

David

Update on MSP Transition

Change is in the air. We are just beginning our journey. On Sunday May 19 we said good-bye to Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell. It was bittersweet. For three years she had been part of our MSP family and touched all of us in so many ways through her ministry, friendship and love.

As you all know by now, Father David will be retiring at the end of July. There will be a celebration - pot luck dinner on Saturday, July 27 at 6 pm in Smith Hall and all are welcome to join in fellowship and thanks for his ministry with us over the last 11 years. His last Sunday with us will be at a joint service on July 28 at 9:30 am in Smith Hall.

The following Sunday, August 4, Rev. Canon Stuart Wright from the Diocese of Maryland will be with us to serve at another joint service at 9:30 am in Smith Hall. He will remind us that we are going to be entering an exciting and challenging time as we adjust to Fr. David's retirement and begin our focus on the future.

We are currently in conversation with candidates for an Interim Rector who will be with us for about a year as we search for a new permanent rector to join our MSP family. We hope the Interim Rector will be in place by September or October.

In the meantime we are profoundly grateful for the dedication and willingness of Fr. Skip Steiner who, with the help of Supply Clergy and extremely capable lay leadership, will carry us through our time of transition.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me or Jim Yoe. Updates on the transition will be forthcoming on a regular basis and during that time you will all be called upon to weigh in on what we need and want for our future at Middleham and St. Peter's.

Blessings, Joan Shisler, Senior Warden

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Big Winds Little Winds

Organ and Recorder Concert

**Sunday, June 23, 2019 - 3:00 p.m., Smith Hall
Middleham & St. Peter's Parish, Lusby, MD**

This concert will feature five centuries of organ and recorder music. Dr. Keith S. Reas, the recently retired organist of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga, TN will be joining with Consort Wednesday, a recorder quintet in which Bruce Calvin is a member. They will be performing works by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, Henry Purcell, Giovanni Gabrieli, and many others from the Renaissance through to the 21st century.

If you have only heard recorders played by elementary school children, come and learn the beautiful sounds that they can make. Members of Middleham and St. Peters have heard the Consort Wednesday perform for the installation service for Father David and during Sarah Akes-Cardwell's ordination service.

There will be a reception following the concert.

All proceeds to benefit Project Echo, providing hope for the homeless in Calvert County.

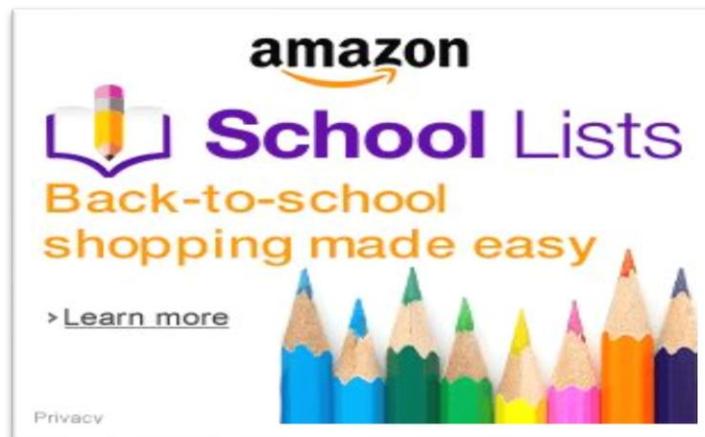


Treasurer's Corner



It's June and with June comes summer and vacations. So while you are spending lazy summer days, don't forget that Vanco allows you to set up your pledge automatically. Set it and forget it. Our ministries continue during the summer. Check out our church website to create or update your pledge at Vanco. Call the church office if you need help!!

Middlehamandstpeters.org and click on the link for giving.



Back to school sales begin in July. When purchasing school supplies for your own needs or anything else you buy from Amazon please consider using AmazonSmile. It is so easy to order what you need and to help Middleham and St. Peter's in the process at no cost to you. Middleham and St. Peter's receives a half-percent back for every purchase you make through AmazonSmile.

Please go to: Smile.Amazon.com and follow the program details.

Jackie Vos, Treasurer

Letter from Charity Humm



It is with a delighted heart that I share the news that the Commission of Ministry in the Diocese of Maryland has recommended me to be a Postulant to the Priesthood. As a Postulant, I will be able to formally pursue Seminary with the intent to become ordained as a Priest in the Episcopal Church. I plan to apply to Virginia Theological Seminary in the Fall of 2020 and to enroll in their Divinity Program. In between now and seminary I plan to participate in the John Hopkins Clinical Pastoral Education program at Anne Arundel Medical Center, where I will be trained in Pastoral Care as an Intern Chaplin for those in need of spiritual care at the hospital. The road to discernment has been a long time in the making, and my heart is full of gratitude for the role that Middleham and St Peters played in allowing me to “try on” the liturgical aspects of preaching and serving at the altar. One of the challenges for me in discerning this call to ministry was that of being terrified of public speaking--in my short time at Middleham and St Peters the congregation provided a supportive environment to work through my discomfort of delivering a sermon... not that my knees still don’t shake when I am behind the podium... but with the encouragement of your loving community, I was able to rise up to the Call that the Spirit was inviting me to--a huge thanks for being that kind of sponsoring parish. I hold you dear in my hearts, and I am hoping to see you all in the Fall.

Peace,

Charity Humm

Letter from Dr. Laura M. Carpenter

Dear Friends,



As many of you know, I have been in the deacon formation program through the Diocese of Maryland for the last three years. This May, I completed the congregational internship requirement at St. George's, Valley Lee and Ascension, in Lexington Park. My experience there enriched and shaped my formation in ways that I could never imagine. As someone who grew up attending Middleham and St. Peter's, I found myself dreading this part of my formation, afraid of leaving home and questioning whether I had any gifts that I could share with a different community. One of the many things that I found I enjoy about the diaconate is the opportunity to preach, and I was particularly struck by the gospel that served as the basis for my final sermon on May 5. The reading for that day, John 21:1-19 served as a great reflection on not just Peter's spiritual journey, but my own as well. In that reading, right on the heels of Thomas, we were presented with the story of Peter, another character in the Gospel of John often misinterpreted. If Thomas was the doubter, Peter, then, was the denier.

In the aftermath of the crucifixion and resurrection, Peter and the disciples were still in shock and mourning the loss of their friend, Jesus. They had spent the last three and a half years of their lives following him, listening to his teachings, and witnessing miracles. They watched as he was crucified by the Romans and died. Their mourning was interrupted by two brief miraculous appearances, but their joy was cut short when Jesus would disappear again. Not knowing when or if they would see their friend and teacher again, the disciples were unsure as to what to do next. This is understandable.

Equally understandable is their desire to do something, to go back to the familiar, so Simon Peter suggested fishing. Peter and the disciples spent some time that day on the Sea of Galilee. It was hot and the disciples' hearts probably weren't completely on task. They were still mourning. To make matters worse, they weren't catching anything. All day long, they cast their heavy nets only pull them back empty. Just as they were about to give up, they heard a voice calling to them. They didn't recognize the figure on the beach at first, and were surprised when they heard the stranger tell them to cast their net to the other side of the boat. In a leap of faith, or perhaps desperation, the disciples heeded the advice and their return

was a catch more abundant than any they had ever hoped for. After this, Simon recognized the figure as Jesus, and he jumped from the boat and swam to the shore in excitement to get to his friend.

What happened next is a private conversation between Peter and Jesus in which Peter is given three opportunities to openly express his love for him. On first read, we want this story to be one of forgiveness, and perhaps this can be argued. On closer reading, however, you will notice that the word forgiveness doesn't pop up anywhere. Can you imagine what Peter must have felt in the days following Jesus's crucifixion? The guilt, shame, and vulnerability that came from denying Jesus three times during his trial? Now, standing in front of Jesus, Peter was given a chance to finally redeem himself to his friend and to his fellow disciples. And so each of the three times that he was asked whether he loved Jesus, he responded yes and was called again to discipleship. Tend my sheep, Jesus says, Feed my sheep. And so, while it makes sense that this has to be the moment when Peter is forgiven in front of the others, nowhere in the story does Jesus utter the words, "I forgive you." Perhaps this is because Peter hasn't done anything deserving of Jesus' forgiveness. No, the person who needs to forgive Peter, well, is Peter himself. So now we get to the root of the real issue behind Peter's grief, sadness, guilt, shame, and vulnerability.

And forgiveness is, perhaps, not the only issue in this story either. Forgiveness is a crowd favorite for masking what really needs to happen, what is really needed to fix a relationship, especially to mend this specific relationship. A little more digging and some careful study might tell us that what Peter really needs is to accept who Jesus needs him to be. A rereading of Peter's denial in John exposes his true rejection -- that of his own identity. The question asked of Peter is not, as it is in the Synoptic Gospels, "do you know the man?" To which Peter responds, "I don't know him." Rather, in the Fourth Gospel, the inquiry posed to Peter is, "aren't you one of his disciples?" Peter's response? "I am not." Armed with this information, the conversation between Jesus and Peter takes on a completely different meaning both for Peter and for us. Jesus does not blame or shame Peter. Jesus does not ask for Peter's repentance. Jesus doesn't ask three times, "Peter, do you love me?" to remind him of his three-fold denial, to test him or to trap him. Instead, Jesus reaffirms who Peter needs to be; the disciple Jesus needs him to be. And the disciple Jesus needs Peter to be is the shepherd now.

I watched a special on Netflix recently which featured Brene Brown, a research professor at the University of Houston. Dr. Brown has spent the past two decades studying courage, vulnerability, shame, and empathy and is the author of five #1 New York Times best sellers. Her Ted Talk about the Power of Vulnerability has been viewed more than 35 million times. In her documentary, A Call to Courage, she mentions the effect that the phrase "Daring Greatly" from Theodore Roosevelt's speech "Citizenship in a

Republic” has had on her life. The speech, sometimes referred to as “The Man in the Arena,” was delivered at the Sorbonne in Paris, France, on April 23, 1910. This is the passage that made the speech famous:

“It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring Greatly....”

Dr. Brown highlights this quote as the definition of everything her research taught her about vulnerability. She argues that vulnerability is not knowing victory or defeat, it’s understanding the necessity of both; it’s **ENGAGING**. It’s being **ALL IN**. Vulnerability is not weakness, and the uncertainty, risk, and emotional exposure we face every day are not optional. Our only choice is a question of engagement. Our willingness to own and engage with our vulnerability determines the depth of our courage and the clarity of our purpose; the level to which we protect ourselves from being vulnerable is a measure of our fear and Disconnection, and in the case of Peter, Denial.

The truth is, when we spend our lives waiting until we’re perfect or bulletproof before we walk into the arena, we ultimately sacrifice relationships and opportunities that may not be recoverable, we squander our precious time, and we turn our backs on our gifts, those unique contributions that only we can make.

She goes on to argue that “perfect” and “bulletproof” are seductive traits, but they don’t exist in the human experience. We must walk into the arena, whatever it may be—a new relationship, an important meeting, our creative process, a difficult family conversation, or even our own discipleship—with courage and the willingness to engage. Rather than sitting on the sidelines and hurling judgment and advice, we must dare to show up and let ourselves be seen. This is vulnerability. This is daring greatly.

This research, I believe, can be applied to John’s gospel about Peter. The challenge and call to discipleship that Jesus is offering to Peter and to us. We play it safe a lot in our lives, picking and choosing

who gets to see our most authentic selves. The danger is this: if this is the way we feel with people in our lives, even those closest to us, perhaps the same is true of our relationship with Jesus.

Our first thought about Peter when it comes to the decision he had to make around that charcoal fire is that he was terrified that what had happened to Jesus would happen to him. Maybe Peter was reluctant to admit his calling, his identity, because he wasn't ready yet -- not that you ever can be, really. Maybe Peter couldn't affirm his identity because the garden was too fresh in his mind, too painful, too personal. Maybe Peter was not able to say, "I AM" because he just couldn't believe it himself.

I wonder when, not if, we have felt the same. We just can't imagine that Jesus would commend us with being the good shepherd when he can no longer be. We cannot believe that Jesus could believe in us.

And so, Jesus shows up on that shore for Peter, hosts a meal one more time, and tells Peter, tells **US**, "I believe in you. I know who you are and I love you. And yes, you are exactly the disciple I need, the disciple the world needs."

So how about it? Are you ready to Dare Greatly? Are you ready to engage and accept discipleship and Dare Greatly to change this world and to champion for all of God's sheep? In the next few months, Middleham and St. Peter's Parish will be called to work toward restaffing and reorganization. This will call for change and will present opportunities for both challenge and vulnerability. Like Peter, it's time to accept this opportunity to point to, name, and work through this vulnerability in order to live more fully into accepting the call to discipleship, to become the shepherd in Jesus's absence, so that when asked "aren't you one of his disciples, you can answer with a resounding "I AM."

Three years ago, I was called to pursue the diaconate, to explore my faith, identify my own strengths and weaknesses, and risk the unknown in pursuit of a different type of discipleship. While I had my own fears about my own self-worth, denial of possessing any gift for ministry, and certainly felt vulnerable, I heard a voice on a shore that I'm not sure I recognized. It encouraged me to cast my net to the other side of the boat. To fish differently, and to engage in a way that I had never done before. What resulted was a catch more abundant than I could ever have imagined. Middleham and St. Peter's Parish has been unwavering in its support of this call, and thank God for that. Thank you for that.

Yours in Christ,

Dr. Laura M. Carpenter

MayFest is Over!

Many thanks to all who worked so hard to make MayFest a success once again. The April 28 Middle Service attendees and our youth were wonderful in the enthusiastic way they helped set up Smith Hall (even though the attendance at that service was rather slim that day), including hauling two sheds worth of donated goodies and a slew of stuff from the basement into the hall.

All week long, volunteers priced, cleaned, and polished donated items. Many stopped by almost every day to work for a few hours. Many others came very early on Saturday morning to run the May Fest.

Special thanks to Diana Owen, Karen and Jim Wilson, and Judy Seymour who led the pricing efforts all week long, to Louise Smith who hawked raffle prizes in the month before MayFest, and to everyone who helped with the preparations all week long – and then showed up before 6:00 a.m. on May 4th.

Finally, the clean-up crew was absolutely wonderful. By the time they were finished, one would never have guessed that MayFest had happened.

MayFest netted a bit over \$4,300 which will go to the support of the parish. The day would not have happened without the work and prayers from each and every one of you!

Anne Gross,

ECW President

Christian Formation

Sunday June 2nd: Sunday School Recognitions & Ice Cream Social

During the 9:30am service teachers and students will be recognized for their participation in Sunday School and Youth Group. Following the service, all are invited to enjoy ice cream and mark the end of the program year. Sunday School will take break for summer beginning June 9th.



Sunday June 9th: Pentecost Joint Service and Picnic

Child Care will be provided during Pentecost Service.

We'll celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday!

At this 9:30am service we will honor high school, college, and higher degree graduates, along with celebrating other ministries.



Education for Ministry graduates and Senior Acolytes will also be recognized. Come dressed comfortably to attend the picnic immediately following the service approximately 11:30 AM. Please bring your own beverages and a dish to share. Games on the lawn will also be available!



Save the Date!
Vacation
Bible School

with Christ Church Port Republic

July 15th-19th

PreK-Rising 6th Graders

9am-12pm

(3100 Broomes Island Rd. Port Republic, MD)

We're building upon the strong VBS partnership we began last year with Christ Church. Middleham & St. Peter's has historic ties to this neighboring Episcopal parish and we are deepening this relationship to offer a robust offering of faith and fun this summer.

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities!

If you have questions call the parish office 410-326-5948.

There's a special celebration dinner for parents and campers on Thursday evening 7/18.

Adult Christian Formation

Coffee and Conversation on Sundays and Bible Study on Tuesdays, will resume in September, after the Summer.

EFM (Education For Ministry) will resume at the end of August. More information will be included in the August Connector.

Coffee and Conversation at Asbury in Solomons on 3rd Friday @ 10:00 AM. Coffee and Conversation at Asbury will continue through the summer.

Asbury Episcopal Fellowship will continue through the summer.

Asbury Episcopal Fellowship - "The Asbury Solomons Episcopal Fellowship Luncheon will meet on **Monday, June 17, 2019** at 12 noon. The Rev. Dottie Yunger, Marine Biologist and Pastor of Solomons United Methodist Church will talk about her interest and work as a "riverkeeper -- pollution and ecology". ***Reservations are required by June 13 at noon.*** Holy Communion will be offered following the program. Please respond to Russ Horton at 410-394-3216. The charge for the lunch is \$11."

"The Asbury Solomons Episcopal Fellowship Luncheon will meet on **Monday, July 15, 2019** at noon. The Rev. David Showers will talk about his retirement. ***Reservations are required by July 11 at noon.*** Holy Communion will be offered following the program. Please respond to Russ Horton at 410-394-3216. The charge for the lunch is \$11."

PARISH HEALTH



Deaconess
FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE
Ministries

I can't believe its already time for the summer Connector. As we bring Spring to a close, I feel we should go through our Summer watch list.

First- remember to keep well hydrated- getting dehydrated can lead to all kinds of health problems, including heat stroke and death. Make sure you drink plenty of water, and stay as cool as possible.

Watch for ticks-which are really prevalent this year.

1. **Lyme disease-** From the National Capital Lyme DiPrevention is the key
 - a. Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter; Walk in the center of trails.
 - b. **Repel** Ticks with DEET or Permethrin
 - c. Find and Remove Ticks from Your Body- remember **DO NOT USE NAIL POLISH, PETROLEUM JELLY, ALCOHOL OR HEAT TO REMOVE THE TICK. DO NOT TWIST, JERK OR SQUEEZE THE BODY OF THE TICK; GRASP THE TICK CLOSE TO THE SKIN SURFACE AND PULL STRAIGHT UP AND OUT.**
 - d. Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within 2 hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you.
 - e. Conduct a full-body tick check using a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of your body upon return from tick-infested areas. Parents should check their children for ticks under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs, around the waist, and especially in their hair.
 - f. Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine pets, coats, and day packs.
 - g. Tumble clothes in a dryer on high heat for an hour to kill remaining ticks. (Some research suggests that shorter drying times may also be effective, particularly if the clothing is not wet.)
2. **Use sunscreen- Avoid getting too much sun-** the sun's ultraviolet rays can damage your skin in as little as 15 minutes. Try to follow simple rules:
 - a. Seek shade- under trees, umbrella, or any kind of shelter.
 - b. Wear clothing with uv protection and don't forget a hat!
 - c. Sunglasses will protect those sensitive eyes
 - d. **SUNSCREEN!** a must!!!!

And have a fun and safe summer!

by Dale Yoe, Parish Nurse



CHILD CARE PROVIDED DURING THE PENTECOST SERVICE





Friends of the Haiti School Nurse Project Newsletter

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A Report from Nurse Fabiola Rejouis



From our lead nurse

I am Horldine Fabiola Réjouis, holding a masters of nursing care as a Family Nurse Practitioner.

Working as a nurse in a school nursing program allows me to use my training in service to my community and to my country.

Within the framework of my job as a school nurse, I work in close collaboration with the directors of the schools, the teachers, the students and the parents. I administer first aid when necessary and, in collaboration with the teachers, if there is a student who has a particular problem, I make sure the problem is resolved. When necessary I contact the parents.

I firmly believe that education about hygiene can change peoples' lives, especially the lives of children, and that is why I place special importance on it. Therefore I make sure the children are trained about a plan of hygiene and I always ask them to share what they have learned with their parents.

A similar program should be in place at all schools and at every level.

I want to thank Middleham and St. Peter's Parish, the benefactors, the givers for their contribution to this program that is so important for our children. With this program, we hope to have many more leaders able to ensure the continuation of better health when we go to meet our maker.

Thank you. May the great God continue to show us his way.

Horldine Fabiola REJOUIS - Rn, BSN, FNP

Lenten Support



Our Lenten fund drive went extremely well, with over \$9,000 raised. We express deep gratitude to:

14 individual gifts totaling nearly \$3,000
20+ mite boxes totaling nearly \$1,000
5 other churches contributing over \$2,600
Southern Maryland Regional Council - \$1,000
St. Maries Musica Concert gifts – \$1,900

Thank you to all for your generous support. Your gifts will provide health care to many students in Haiti who so desperately need it.

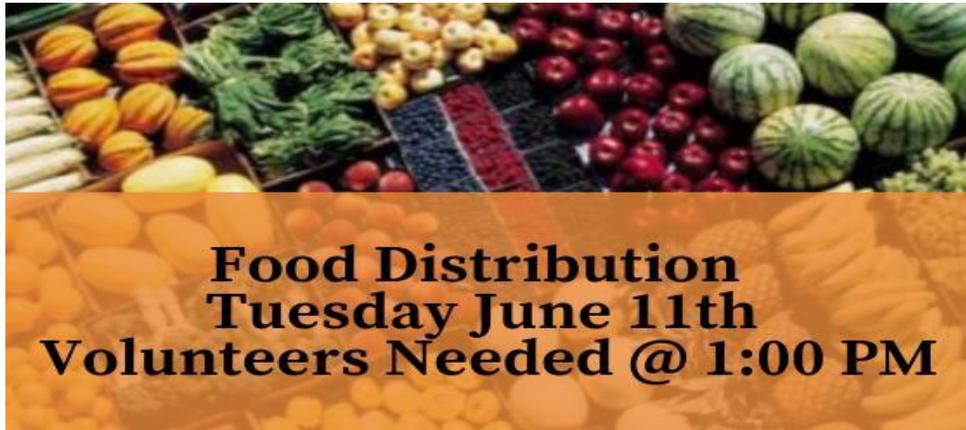
From the concert



OUTREACH

The Outreach Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 12TH at 6:00 PM.

Please contact Carolyn Steiner for information. jsteineriv@comcast.net

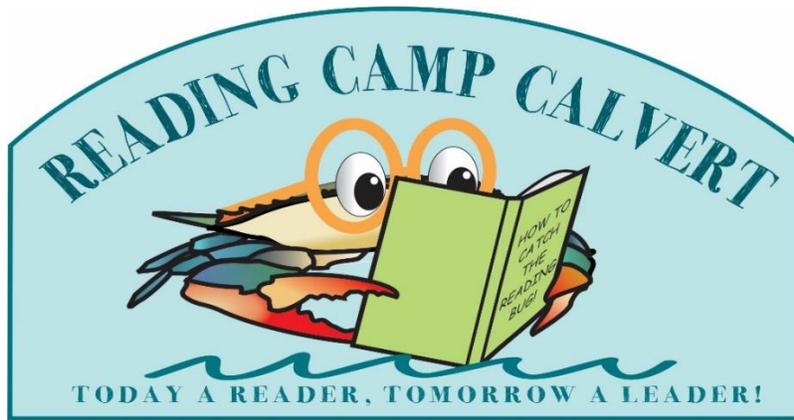


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ECHO MEALS

**WE STILL NEED PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER TO PROVIDE MEALS FOR
OCTOBER 21ST AND NOVEMBER 25TH.**

Contact Anne Gross at the office 41-326-4948



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

WHO WE ARE

Reading Camp Calvert is a tuition-free, one-week program for children who need a boost to help them improve their reading skills. The camp includes reading instruction alongside traditional camp activities such as swimming, games, and field trips. This is the first time offering the camp to students in Southern Calvert County. The camp will be held July 22 – 26, 2019, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Middleham Church in Lusby. Transportation and meals are provided and there are not costs for the campers. It is an all-volunteer camp staffed by local educators and others interested in helping these young people. We would love members of the Middleham and St. Peter's Parish to be involved, as well. Think about joining us for the week or a day, an hour or a specific task and thank you in advance!

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Teacher Assistants in classroom

Arts and Crafts

General Support (as needed)

Read-Aloud

General Supervision (meals and outdoors)

Field Trips; pool and Marine Museum

Medical Professional

Meals (cooking, serving, or clean-up)

**** All volunteers must attend a mandatory training session.**

If interested in helping out with the camp, please contact either of us:

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Laurie Haynie: hayniela@gmail.com
(443) 532-6300

Contact at Middleham and St. Peter's: Joan Shisler jrbstiger@comcast.net (410) 474-4849



Sunday June 2nd @ 9:30 AM - Sunday School Recognitions

Sunday, June 2nd @ 10:30 AM Christian Formation Last Day Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, June 4th @ 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, June 4th @ 6:30 - 8:00 PM - Evening Meditation Practice - in Smith Hall - Open to all. Hosted by the Southern MD Meditation Community. After June 4th, Evening Meditation will resume in September.

Wednesday, June 5th @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - The Southern Maryland Job Source Mobile Career Center (MCC) at SMILE

Wednesday, June 5th @ 10:30 AM HeartFelt loading of backpacks, last day for delivery Friday, June 7th.

Wednesdays, June 5th - June 26th @ 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 1684

Monday, June 10th 3:00 PM - Daughters of the King

Tuesday, June 11th @ 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep time, volunteers needed

Wednesday, June 12th @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM A Nurse Practitioner and the Health Van, sponsored by Calvert Memorial Hospital, will be at SMILE.

Wednesday, June 12th @ 6:00 PM Outreach Meeting

Thursday, June 13th @ 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting

Sunday, June 16th Father's Day

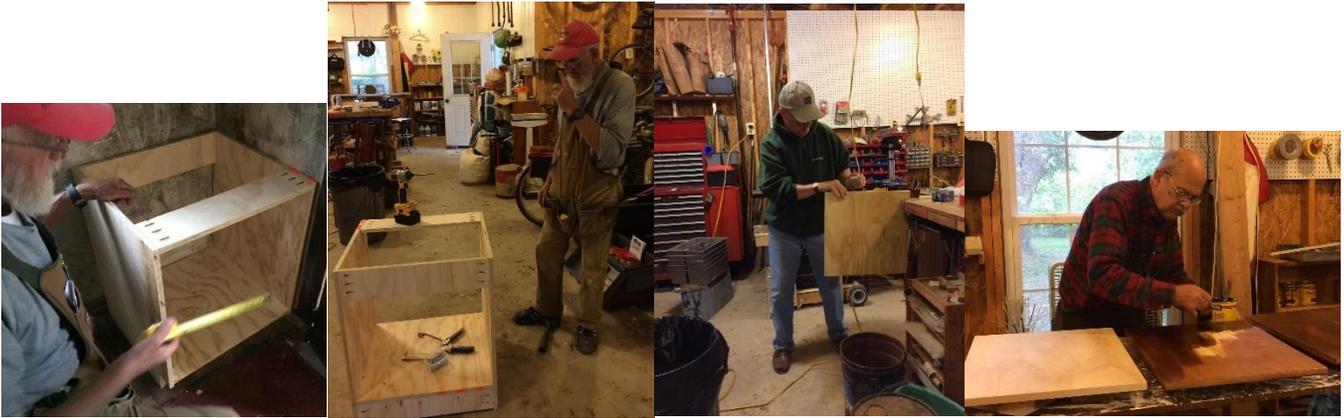
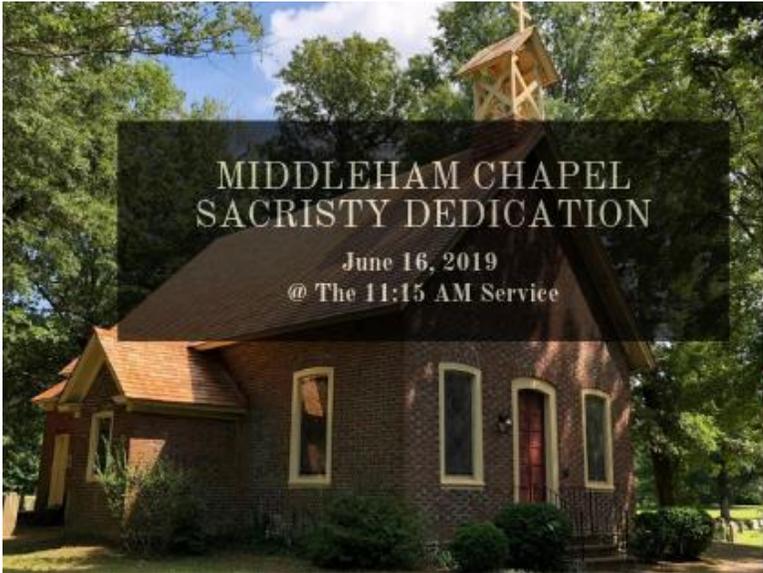
Sunday, June 16th Middleham Chapel Sacristy Dedication

Monday, June 17th @ noon - Asbury Episcopal Fellowship in the Asbury Riverview Dining Room at Noon, cost is \$11.00 for your meal, reservations needed by Thursday, the week prior.

Tuesday, June 18th @ 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, June 19th @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - HIV Van @ SMILE

Sunday, June 23rd @ 3:00 PM Capital Hill Recorders Performance to benefit Echo





JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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| Stuart Simmons | 06/09 |
| Mark Pesola | 06/10 |
| Jackie Vos | 06/13 |
| Claude Martin | 06/15 |
| Martha Horton | 06/18 |
| Sarah Akes-Cardwell | 06/18 |
| Jim Wilson | 06/23 |
| Mary Heflebower | 06/24 |
| Deborah Cole | 06/25 |
| Sharon Cargo | 06/28 |
| Barbara Barrett | 06/29 |
| Addison Clift | 06/60 |

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------------------------|-------|
| Ryan & Kristina Jedrey | 06/01 |
| Dan & Anne Gross | 06/05 |
| John & Karen Pardoe | 06/11 |
| George & Norma Lee & Buckler | 06/12 |
| Franz & Jess Kury | 06/12 |
| Robb & Jennifer Hupp | 06/13 |
| David & Brenda Hollweger | 06/15 |
| David Showers & Bruce Calvin | 06/15 |
| Richard & Jayci Dale | 06/16 |
| Brian & Kathryn King | 06/18 |
| Jim & Anita Shepherd | 06/22 |
| Russ & Martha Horton | 06/30 |

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!



June



| Sun. | Mon. | Tue. | Wed. | Thu. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| | | | | | | 1 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
| 2 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 10:30 AM Ice Cream Social 11:15 AM HE Middleham | 3 6:00 PM AA Meeting | 4 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Meditation 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 5 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10-2:00 PM JobSource Van @ SMILE 10:30 AM HEARTFELT 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | 6 6:15 PM Bell Choir | 7 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545 | 8 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
| 9 Pentecost Sunday 9:30 AM Joint Service Parish Picnic | 10 3:00 PM Daughters of the King 6:00 PM AA Meeting | 11 Last Day of School 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep 2:00 PM Food Dist. 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 12 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10:00 - 2:00 Health Van @ SMILE 6:00 PM Outreach Meeting 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | 13 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting | 14 FLAG DAY 5:00 PM Girl Scouts Troops 2762/4545 | 15 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
| 16 Father's Day 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 11:15 AM HE Middleham Middleham Chapel Sacristy Dedication | 17 12:00 PM Asbury Fellowship 6:00 PM AA Meeting | 18 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 19 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 10:00 - 2:00 HIV Van 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | 20 SMITH HALL Concert Setup | 21 10:00 AM Asbury Coffee & Conversation | 22 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
| 23 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 11:15 AM HE Middleham 3:00 PM Capital Recorder Concert | 24 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Drum Circle Class | 25 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 26 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | 27 | 28 | 29 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
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Tuesday, July 2nd @ 10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 3rd @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - The Southern Maryland Job Source Mobile Career Center (MCC) at SMILE

Wednesdays, July 3rd – 31st @ 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 1684

Thursday 4th of July, Office Closed, Enjoy Your Day and Be Safe.

Monday, July 8th @ 3:00 PM - Daughters of the King

Tuesday, July 9th @ 1:00 PM Food Distribution Prep time, volunteers needed

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

Thursday, July 11th @ 6:00 PM SMILE Board Meeting

Friday, July 12th & Saturday July 13th Labyrinth Restoration Fundraiser, Tentative – Updates In Weekly

Monday, July 15th – 19th 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM VBS program offered at Christ Church Port Republic

Monday, July 15th @ noon - Asbury Episcopal Fellowship in the Asbury Riverview Dining Room at Noon, cost is \$11.00 for your meal, reservations needed by Thursday, the week prior.

Wednesday, July 17th @ 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM – HIV Van @ SMILE

Friday, July 19th @ 10:00 AM Coffee and Conversation at Asbury

Monday, July 22nd – 26th Reading Camp

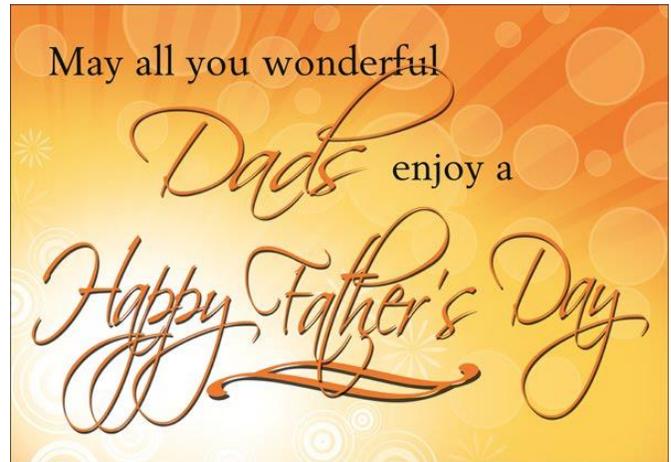
Saturday, July 27th @ 6:00 PM Retirement dinner for Fr. David Showers

Sunday, July 28th Fr. David Showers' last day, Joint Service in Smith Hall @ 9:30 AM.

Connector Article Deadlines

The deadline for submissions for August EDITION is July 15TH.

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



More Pets Get Lost On July 4th Than Any Other Day!

Tips To Keep Your Pet Safe



- 1 Make sure before the 4th your pet is wearing license and ID tags just in case they get lost.
- 2 Make sure their microchip registration is up to date.
- 3 Take a current photo of your pet "just in case" they get lost.
- 4 Exercise your pets early in the day before the fireworks begin.
- 5 Leave your pet at home during fireworks. Do not leave them in a fenced yard. Panicked dogs hurt themselves trying to escape fenced yards.
- 6 Keep your pet inside & turn on the air conditioner, TV or radio to drown out the noise of fireworks. Give them a treat or toy to keep them busy.

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JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| Coleton Broadus | 07/06 |
| George Buckler | 07/09 |
| Rachelle Barrett | 07/10 |
| Caroline Fuller | 07/10 |
| Lillian Fuller | 07/10 |
| Rosemary Staley | 07/11 |
| Jennifer Mehl | 07/12 |
| Margo Shisler Quigley | 07/17 |
| Curtis Moore | 07/17 |
| Bruce Calvin | 07/17 |
| John Wilson | 07/21 |
| Wendy Briggs | 07/23 |
| Linda Barrett | 07/24 |
| Emma File | 07/26 |
| Hugh S. Davies | 07/28 |
| Judy Seymour | 07/30 |



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

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| Dan & Mary Heflebower | 07/01 |
| Dick & Sue Hu | 07/02 |
| Will & Elizabeth Broadus | 07/03 |
| Rick & Lisa Greenlee | 07/05 |
| Jim & Dale Yoe | 07/05 |
| Erin & Jason Shank | 07/20 |
| Bill & Liz Miller | 07/22 |
| Charles & Gail Bennett | 07/30 |

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!



July 2019

| Sun. | Mon. | Tue. | Wed. | Thu. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| 21 8:30 AM HE St. Peter's 9:30 AM HE Smith Hall 11:15 AM HE Middleham READING CAMP SET UP | 22 Reading Camp 6:00 PM AA Meeting | 23 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 24 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | 25 | 26 DINNER SET UP | 27 10:00 AM Overeaters Anon 6:00 PM Retirement Dinner – Fr. David 7:00 PM AA Meeting |
| 28 Fr. David Showers Last Day 9:30 AM Joint Service in Smith Hall | 29 6:00 PM AA Meeting | 30 8:00 PM AA Meeting | 31 9:00 AM HE-St. Peter's 7:00 PM Troop 1684 | | | |

4th of JULY SAFETY

HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS

STAY HYDRATED

- Drink more than 8 ounces a day
- Drink even when you're not thirsty
- Avoid alcohol, coffee & soft drinks



APPLY SUNSCREEN

The sun is the strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Reapply sunscreen often
Stick to SPFs between 15 and 50+

WEAR YOUR SHADES

Sunglasses must block 99 to 100% of UVA/UVB rays



MOST AT RISK



Adults over 65 and children under 4
Those w/existing medical conditions

GRILL SAFETY

in a 5-year period



8,900 house fires
160 injuries
118 mil. in damages
10 deaths

KEEP GRILL:

- AWAY FROM STRUCTURES
- IN WELL-VENTILATED AREA
- AWAY FROM CHILDREN & PETS

Fireworks Safety

NEVER allow children to play with or ignite fireworks

KEEP a bucket of water or hose nearby

MAKE sure fireworks are legal in your area

MORE THAN 14,000 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS EXPLODE ACROSS THE NATION EACH YEAR