



*St. Margaret's*  
Episcopal Church  
Woodbridge, Virginia

**March 28, 2021**

**\*\*\* Reminder \*\*\***

In person Worship Service

attendance to each outdoor service requires a sign up  
each week through SignUp Genius.



#### SPRING-GOOD TIMING FOR A NEW THING

Blessings to my St. Margaret's family. How wonderful and marvelous are the works of our Lord. We are now in spring and with spring comes new growth, for our Lord is "doing a new thing." Father Michael has been with us as we struggled through winter and he has shepherd us through the open doors of spring.

This past Sunday, the 5th Sunday in Lent, we were able to celebrate our first in-person service. Even with the guidance precautions in place to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, one could hear the murmurs of excited conversational voices, could see smiles through the masks and in the eyes of our brothers and sisters the pure joy of regathering. Receiving the host, even if the hand sanitizer was laid on a little heavy, fulfilled our longing to be a part of the celebration of the Eucharist. What a blessed experience, which was the culmination of the works of many and reflected the continued faith of our community.

As you all know, Father Michael has been our long term supply priest, who has been more than what may have been expected of a supply priest, and he was "all in" from the word go. He is now entering his final weeks with a physical presence at St. Margaret's, but he knows and we know that he will always be a part of our spirit. His last Sunday is April 18th and he has already spoken about the future looking good for in-house services, even knowing it most likely will come after he has gone. Forever, the faithful servant.

As we approach Passion Sunday, Holy Week and Easter, keep him in your prayers and take the time to acknowledge the impact that he has had on each of us here at St. Margaret's. Stay alert for a date where we can all show our love and gratitude for Father Michael taking the call and walking with us through

this part of our journey forward.

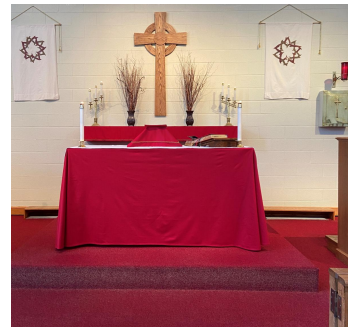
May the Lord continue to bless you,

Alton Tucker,  
Senior Warden

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## **Sunday Worship Opportunities**

- ***IN PERSON SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE***, at 10am, ***attendance by sign up is required each week.***
- **SUNDAY MORNING online SERVICE**, **Sunday at 10am**, with St. Margaret's prerecorded link. Virtual **coffee hour** will follow immediately following. ***Click here for bulletin.*** (Please note if you arrive after 10am the service video will already be in progress, you may return and view entire service video after initial service (at 10am) has aired.)
- **SUNDAY HOLY EUCHARIST** at the National Cathedral, **11:15am.**



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***We may be meeting online but St. Margaret's still needs your support with your pledges and donations.***

**Online Giving for Pledges and Donations**

**New to online giving? Check out this video tutorial [here](#).**

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## **Holy Week Worship Schedule**

- **Palm Sunday Service; March 28, 2021 at 10am** in person, ***sign up closed***, and *online*.
- **Maundy Thursday Service; April 1, 2021 at 7pm**, *online*.
- **Stations of the Cross; Friday April 2, 2021 at 2pm**, *online*.

- **Good Friday Service: April 2, 2021 at 7pm, online.**
- **Easter Sunday Service; April 4, 2021 at 10am** in person, [sign up here](#), (by Thursday April 1st), and online.

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## A Meditation

for the Fifth Week of Lent:

### *Joy and Sorrow*

Click [here](#)



*Weekly Prayers*

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#### A Prayer for Peace

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

*Book of Common Prayer, page 815*

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## Weekly Online Opportunities

- **VIRTUAL NOONDAY PRAYER**, will resume **Wednesday**, April 7, 2021 at 12pm.
- **LECTIO DIVINA (CENTERING PRAYER)**, **5:30pm Sundays**.
- **The Contemplative Outreach of Northern VA** is presently meeting via Zoom. Here are some opportunities being offered.
  1. Monday and Friday sittings; email the coordinator listed on the website to [register](#).
  2. Special 2 hour session on the second Saturday of each month. Includes video and discussion on the teachings of Father Thomas Keating. Register [here](#).
- **REGION MORNING PRAYER**, **8am (Monday - Friday)**; Meeting ID: 897 2048 2723; Password: 235996
- **REGION EVENING COMPLINE**, **8pm (Monday - Friday)**; Meeting ID: 861 8335 3229; Password: 281146

### February Finances at a Glance

**-\$1,946**

Net income for February

**\$12,095**

Income



**\$14,041**

Expenses



## **Birthday / Anniversary Wishes**

If you or your family would like your coming birthday or anniversary acknowledged, please submit your dates to the **office** so that we can share it with the congregation.

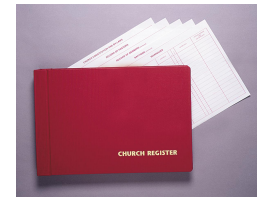


## **Church office update**

The church office will not be open for regular business hours due to the COVID-19 health concerns. While we are working at home, if you need to get in touch with us, please leave a message on the church phone, 703-590-3990 or email us at [stmecva@gmail.com](mailto:stmecva@gmail.com).

## **Do we have your current information?**

Please click the link below to fill out our Parish Registration Form and return to the church.



Thanks for helping us keep our records up to date.

**Parish Registration  
Form**

**Instant Church Online Parish Directory  
Information**

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