

THE ANNUNCIATION

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 15, 2018

Welcome!

Whether it is your first Sunday at St. Mary's, or your 401st, we're glad that you're with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to a greeter, usher, or a clergy member, and **consider filling out a welcome card**. We invite you to join us on future **Sundays at 10 a.m.** for Eucharist or Morning Prayer, on **Wednesdays for Noonday Prayer at 12 p.m.** in beautiful and quaint Little St. Mary's, or for many of our other fellowship and outreach offerings. **Little St. Mary's** is also **open Monday through Friday** between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and available to you for prayer and reflection. Flip the page over to get a sense of what we have going on around St. Mary's.

Nursery

Our nursery is available for **infants through 4-year-olds** from 9:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. The nursery is located in the Preschool and Sunday School Building. Nursery Director Meg Zehmer and Cassie Vestal will be happy to help you get your child settled into the nursery.

Worship bags

We provide worship bags that contain a coloring page based on the Gospel reading of the day. Worship bags are in the wood bins near the entrances to New St. Mary's.

Sermons available

Find past sermons by visiting stmarysgoochland.org/sermons to hear audio and download print versions.

Connect with us

We would love to learn more about you! If you are a visitor, please pick up a **welcome card** from one of our ushers or in the back of a pew.

Would you like to write for us? Contact Ashley Cameron at acameron@stmarysgoochland.org to learn more.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite Two, *New St. Mary's*

11 a.m. Ice Cream Sundae Party, *Terrace and New Parish Hall*

Do you receive email from us?

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A WEEKLY REFLECTION

I don't think anyone would ever describe me as a "just the facts" kind of person. My stories are usually embellished with details and ideas that are rarely central to the story, rather just ones that I really like to tell.

But I have factual numbers from this past week's Vacation Bible School that I simply adore and want to share.

59 darling children showed up here to learn about God's love.

25 teenagers arrived ready to lead and love those children.

22 adults volunteered to shepherd and love on all 84 of those precious people.

4 adults planned these five days beginning back in March.

Those listed and even more loved and worshipped together on Friday morning around our altar table.

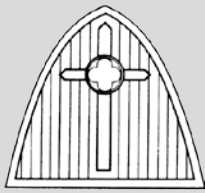
And all those people donated a whole lot of food to share at GoochlandCares.

Sometimes the facts, the real time events that are happening around the world seem far too much to bear. But these facts listed above are just the opposite; they are a reminder of the goodness and love that our lives are rooted in through Jesus.

During the week, the children sang the scripture, "You put my feet on a rock. Gave me a firm place to stand. And here I am." And for five days, we learned about love, peace, patience, and generosity not only through words and teaching but by living and doing. It was a beautiful and firm foundation we all stood on together.

I need only these beautiful facts to tell you the story of a wonderful week. Many thanks to all those who participated in making it one filled with love and laughter.

Amelia McDaniel



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JOIN US FOR AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY!

Today we welcome **Rector David May!** Please join us after the 10 a.m. service for an ice cream sundae in the New Parish Hall and on the terrace to welcome David and Emily. It's a **Sundae Sunday Party** for this joyous occasion!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING

St. Mary's Middle School youth and adults will take part in a mission trip right here in Richmond this week. They will stay at a local church downtown and serve at various nonprofit organizations including Peter Paul Development Center and Shalom Farms. This morning we commission this trip and its participants. Please pray for Jim Appich, Brady Cox, Brandon Cox, Joshua Cox, Will Cox, Davis Deutsch, Maddy Dunaway, Sam Flippin, Ella Green, Jackson Harvey, Maddie Harvey, Mary Hazel, Jed Johnson, Anne Taylor Rawls, Matt Rawls, Joseph Weinstein, Margaret Weinstein, and Holden White as they prepare for this important opportunity to share God's love and represent St. Mary's in the wider community.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to ALL the volunteers for the time and talent that went into last week's Vacation Bible School. The program could not have been the success it was without you. A huge thank you to the adults, Amy Armetta, Amelia Atwill, Ashley Barlow, Randy Beales, Maria Brown, Kristen Burden, Alison Campaeu, Shalen Colman, Renee Gallahan, Ann Blair Higgins, Fran Jones, Anne McCoy, Margaret Mickel, Nancy Ritter, Beth Ann Romeo, Carrie Schaeffer, Patsy Simril, Mary Elliot Wheeler, Kerri White, Angelique Wilhelm, and Liz Williams, and the youth, Pierce Atwill, Caroline Beales, Grace Beales, Lizzie Beales, Emma Crone, Abby Darter, Emmie Davis, Perrin Gilman, Laney Gilman, Mary Lou Holmes, Robert Holmes, Grace Inge, Ellen Lewis, Jed Johnson, Wylly Johnson, Ashby Lamber, Grace Montgomery, Colby Rasmussen, Leila Shepherd, Susanna Shepherd, Delaney Staab, Molly Stephenson, Grace Ward, Kylie Ward, Margaret Weinstein, Jules White, and Mary Wilkins.

This Week at St. Mary's

Sunday, July 15 – Thursday, July 19
Middle School Richmond Mission Trip
Sunday, July 15, Rector David May's first Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite Two, 10 a.m., *New St. Mary's*
Ice Cream Sundae Party, 11 a.m., *Terrace and New Parish Hall*
Monday, July 16
Pastoral Care Team 3, 10 a.m., *Rector's Study*
Tuesday, July 17
Staff Meeting, 2 p.m., *Rector's Study*
Wednesday, July 18
St. Peter's Bible Study and Food Distribution, 8:30 a.m., *St. Peter's Episcopal Church*
Noonday Prayer, 12 p.m., *Little St. Mary's*
Saturday, July 21
A.A., 10 a.m., *Education Building Classroom*
Sunday, July 22
Morning Prayer Rite One, 10 a.m., *New St. Mary's*
Cookies and Lemonade, 11 a.m., *Terrace and New Parish Hall*