

THE ANNUNCIATION

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2019

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 Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing 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 available in hard copy in the narthex of New St. Mary's, or visit stmarysgoochland.org/sermons to hear audio 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, *New St. Mary's*

11 a.m. Lemonade and Cake, *Café and Parish Hall*

Do you receive email from us?

Visit stmarysgoochland.org/communications to sign up for weekly updates and news from us.

A WEEKLY REFLECTION

I was horrible at math in school. I do know that the equal sign means that there are two values that are balanced, the same, on either side of it. $2+2$ is the same as, equal to 4. Last week we had some impressive numbers to add up around here.

4 VBS Committee Members

60 kids in VBS

18 kids in On the Go

32 Adult Leaders

23 Youth Leaders

5 outreach sites visited

200 snack bags packed for the children at Peter Paul Development Center

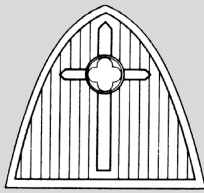
100 towels collected to help with their swim lessons

But there is no way that by counting the people and items donated the sum would ever equal or be balanced with the sum of those wonders. Watching these children and the youth and adults who come to lead and learn alongside them for the week is beyond compare; no possible way to balance that equation. There is a whole lot of being human that gets stuffed into the week. Laughter and silliness. Some tears. Some bandaids and hugs. Singing and dancing. Lots of water balloons and goldfish crackers. Lots of stories told and some remembered. Most of all there is lots of grace—so much grace.

Many thanks to everyone who helped in the making of VBS and On the Go. The leaders who dreamed it up and led the charge – Ashley Barlow, Fran Jones, Rochelle Jordan, BethAnn Romeo, Patsy Simril, Liz Williams and Catherine Ashman – and the many, many adult and youth leaders who came forward to help make the week full of love.

I may be horrible at math, but I like God's math.

Amelia McDaniel



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Joe Cheely, *Treasurer*
Patsy Simril, *Register*
Harry Baldwin, Christy Gurkin, Anne McCoy, Kim O'Shea, Doug Pera, Ann Ramsey, Seth Schaeffer, Danny Williams, and Russell Wyatt.

FAITH AND FILM

The next installment of our Faith and Film series will be **Wednesday, July 24 from 5-8 p.m.** in the Dover Lounge. We'll be showing the movie **Driving Miss Daisy**, and discussion will follow. The movie is about getting older and being fiercely independent; it's about connections and friendship; it's about the South and change—and all done with a great sense of humor. **Pizza and refreshments will be provided.**

ST. MARY'S CHURCHYARD

St. Mary's churchyard is a beautiful gift that is offered to active St. Mary's parishioners and their immediate families. After a generation of St. Mary's pricing staying at the same level, **the price of a plot will be increased to \$3,000 on September 15, 2019.** Until then, plots may be purchased at the current level. This is a means through which we can ensure the continuing care of our sacred grounds through which we see a sign of God's Church in heaven and earth. Please visit **St. Mary's website to learn more about what St. Mary's offers and guidelines** for use of the churchyard. **If you would like to purchase a plot**, please contact Elizabeth Baker at (804) 784-5678 or via email at ebaker@stmarysgoochland.org.

SUPPORT THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP!

Interested in supporting the Middle School Youth mission trip to the Shenandoah Valley? Contact Emily Bruch at ebruch@stmarysgoochland.org to donate food and supplies!

This Week at St. Mary's

Sunday, July 7

Holy Eucharist, 10 a.m., *New St. Mary's*
Lemonade and Cake, 11 a.m., *Café and Parish Hall*

Tuesday, July 9

Staff Meeting, 10 a.m., *Rector's Office*

Wednesday, July 10

Lectionary Bible Study, 10 a.m., *Library*
Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing, 12 p.m., *Little St. Mary's*

Thursday, July 11

Pastoral Care Team 2, 5 p.m., *Parish Office*

Friday, July 12-17

Middle School Mission Trip, *Shenandoah Valley*

Saturday, July 13

A.A., 10 a.m., *Education Building Classroom*

Coming Up

Sunday, July 14

Morning Prayer, 10 a.m., *New St. Mary's*
Colossians Bible Study, 9 a.m., *Library*

Tuesday, July 16

Staff Meeting, 10 a.m., *Rector's Office*

Wednesday, July 17

Lectionary Bible Study, 10 a.m., *Library*
Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing, 12 p.m., *Little St. Mary's*
Pastoral Care Team 3, 4 p.m., *Parish Office*