



ST. MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Minds to Think. Hearts to Love. Hands to Serve.

Christian Formation for Adults

Fall 2022

The Adult Christian Formation Commission at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church supports the continuing education and spiritual development of church members and non-member friends. Through learning and fellowship in a wide variety of faith-forming programs, we nourish and challenge adults as they explore their faith and grow in relationship with God. This year we present the following opportunities for believers and searchers to engage one another more deeply in Christian education and fellowship. For more information or to register for a listing, please use the email addresses listed under each group name. Information about any new events will be announced in the church newsletter.

Adult Forums

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. monthly on selected Wednesdays
Rose Parish Hall w/ Zoom Option

Sept 21 - Micheal Crafton: "Madonnas and Crucifixes from the 11th to 15th Centuries"
No sign up necessary.

Adult Sunday School

10:10 - 10:50 AM on Sundays
Rose Parish Hall w/Zoom option

Rector's Forum: Living Christianity Now

In a time when Christianity is in decline and is sorely misrepresented, how can we learn to be authentic followers of Christ? In this 4-week series, we will look at the past in order to move forward to the future. Starting with the early Church, we will look at the practices that turned a small Jewish movement into a way of life it can be today.
Sept 11 - What Does "Christian" Even Mean?
Sept 18 - Back to the Beginning
Sept 25 - Beginning from the Back
Oct 2 - How Can We Embody Christ?

To sign up for this class, please email jeff@stmargaretsga.com.

Adult Sunday School II

10:10 - 10:50 AM on Sundays
Vestry Room w/Zoom option

The Enneagram Made Easy

The Enneagram is a model for understanding WHY we do what we do. Understanding ourselves is so important to spiritual growth. Not all introspection has to be difficult! This series is an easy introduction to the life-changing Enneagram.

Joining all three sessions will give you the whole picture.

Sept 11 - Anger is the Banger

Sept 18 - Shame is the Name of the Game

Sept 25 - Fear is Near

Expect brisk conversation and good coffee!

To sign up for this class, please email stmargaretsga@gmail.com

Centering Prayer

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM on Wednesdays
Zoom Only

Contemplative practice and spiritual readings followed by group discussion. People of all faiths are welcome.

For more information and the Zoom link, please contact: paulinerj64@gmail.com

Education for Ministry

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM on Mondays
Vestry Room w/ Zoom Option

EFM provides the foundations of a theological education to develop knowledge and confidence about your own personal ministry. The four-year program is administered through the School of Theology of the University of the South. Guided by trained mentors, lay persons meet weekly from September through May, discussing the Bible, the church, and theology. Students commit to one year at a time, and registration ends August 22.

For more information and to register please contact griffinpam0@gmail.com or Pam at **678-978-2720**.

Friday Book Club

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Vestry Room w/Zoom option

Alison Umminger Mattison: A monthly spirituality book study of **ARMCHAIR MYSTIC: HOW CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER CAN LEAD YOU CLOSER TO GOD** by Mark Thibodeaux. The book can be purchased from Amazon and on Kindle. Read to page 28 for Aug. 26th.

To sign up and for more information, please contact aumminge@westga.edu

Advent Quiet Day

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
December 17th, 2022
Church Campus

How might we experience the holiness of Advent in the midst of a busy season? Join us for a day of contemplative worship, silence, and peace as we prepare ourselves spiritually for Christ to be born in our hearts again. Spiritual Direction sessions will also be available. More details to come.

For more information and to sign up please contact jeff@stmargarets.com

Episcopal 101

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM on Wednesdays
Sept. 14th thru Nov. 9th
The Iona Center w/Zoom option

Led by Fr. Jeff Jackson, this bi-annual class is for newcomers, explorers, questioners, and those seeking to deepen their understanding and faith. Topics cover introduction to the Episcopal Branch of Christianity, including Scripture, worship, church, history, prayer, and vocation. This is a class for all who wish to become new members through Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation, or to transfer from another church.

To sign up and for more information contact: stmargaretsga@gmail.com

Safe Zone Training

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
October 22nd
Vestry Room w/Zoom option

Continuing St. Margaret's mission to become a Safe Zone for our LGBTQ+ siblings, free workshops are held periodically to encourage awareness and to learn how to safely engage in conversations about sexuality and gender identity. Sessions include vocabulary, do's and don'ts, privileges, and coming out.

To sign up and for more information contact: am_cotton@outlook.com

Looking Ahead

Adult Sunday School

Parenting as Spiritual Discipline: Ascetism Reconsidered led by Fr. Jeff (Oct. 9 - Nov. 9)

Intercessory Prayer

Led by Robbin Dykes on Oct. 16

Adult Sunday School

How to Read the Bible: led by Georgia Carter (Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30, Nov. 6)

Ally Book Club

led by Amber Cotton
(Book and dates TBA)

