

## ECUMENICAL & RETREAT CENTER

47 Jordan Road New Hartford, NY 13413

## Welcoming our guests back! We've missed you!

After a long break due to the COVID-19 outbreak we are back open and ready to welcome everyone back! We are starting out slowly and offering just a few activities in August. As the time goes by, we will slowly add events each month. We are taking all necessary precautions to ensure the safety & cleanliness for all of our guests. Please remember to wear your mask while visiting, and whenever you are unable to maintain the required 6ft social distancing requirement.

We do hope you will take some time this summer to stop by & visit. We love guests and want everyone to feel welcome at The House! Please note all visitors must have their temperature taken upon arrival and will be asked a few COVID related questions. We are also asking that every visitor signs in as well.

> Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8-4pm Outside grounds are open to the public everyday.

Phone: 315-724-2324 Email: info@stmargaretshouseny.org

Visit us on the web at ~ www.stmargaretshouseny.org

#### ~ SMH Monthly Dinner ~

**Taco Night!** 

Wednesday, August 19th @ 5:30pm

Includes all the fixings, beverages & dessert.
\$15pp suggested donation

Call or email to reserve your seat.

Take out available.



#### **Celebrating God in Nature through the Spirituality of Hildegard of Bingen**

Join Rev. Elizabeth Gillett on Tuesday, August 18th @ 11:00am

Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) would be an extraordinary woman in any age, but in her own she was unique. She was a mystic, a visionary, a brilliant intellect, an artist, and a musician. She advised (and rebuked) popes and would have been a Doctor of the Church if she hadn't been a woman. She pioneered creation-centered and feminine spirituality at a time when those values were lacking in Christianity.

#### **Book review from our Librarian Diane Denison**

"Circle of Quiet" By: Madeleine L'Engle

This book is the attempt of a gifted woman to define and explore the meaning of her life; a life of which, like that of many women today, is complex. She is a practicing Christian and writer who has published many books. This book is a record of fears and failures and often self-doubt, and also moments of high fulfillment. She asks herself: Who am I? Why am I here? What am I doing with my life? Sound familiar?

Come visit the library soon!

## This Month @ SMH

#### Wednesday, August 5th @ 9:30am

#### The movies @ SMH!

The film Just Mercy, a powerful, true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a call to fix our broken system of justice will be shown on August 5th at 9:30am. We'll gather in the Great Room and watch the film starring Michael B. Jordan, Jamie Foxx, Rob Morgan, Tim Blake Nelson, Rafe Spall, and Brie Larson. After the film, a service of Holy Eucharist will be celebrated for all who would like to join, and the homily will incorporate themes from the lessons learned through the film. Participants are then welcomed to join and continue their learning through a round-table discussion over lunch. Suggested donation of \$10 to cover lunch costs.

#### Tuesday, August 11th @ 2:00pm

Join Reverend Elizabeth Gillett and Executive Director Judy Reilly for some time to discuss COVID-19, and share personal reflections & lessons that we've all learned – and continue to learn through the pandemic. We'll meet on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

Thursday, August 13th @ 10:00am

Join us for a game of Dominoes in the library.

Tuesday, August 18th @ 11:00am

Celebrating God in Nature through the Spirituality of Hildegard of Bingen

On Tuesday, August 18th, we will gather outdoors -- weather permitting -- at 11:00am, to celebrate God's presence in God's natural creation, using Hildegard's spiritual perspective. Social distancing and safe practices will be observed. Lunch will be available for those who may wish to join us at 12:30pm. Led by the Rev. Elizabeth Gillett, Chaplain of St. Margaret's House.

Please call or email sign up. Suggested donation of \$10 to cover lunch.

#### Wednesday, August 19th @ 5:00pm

The Rev. Gillett will hold an Evening Prayer Service in the Chapel. The prayer service will continue every 3rd Wednesday of the month, prior to our monthly dinner. All are welcome to join.

Wednesday, August 19th @ 5:30pm

~ SMH House Monthly Dinner ~ Taco Night!!

This month we will have a taco bar! Chicken, beef, beans, and all the fixings.
Includes dessert & beverages as well.
\$15pp suggested donation.

Join us for Holy Eucharist Service Wednesdays @12pm followed by lunch!

# **August Service Project**

## **New Home Welcome Kits needed for Emmaus House!**

We would like to supply each individual or family with a Welcome Kit when they depart Emmaus House.

## Below is a list of supplies needed for the kits.

Cleaning supplies -

Windex, Kitchen/Bathroom cleaner,

Floor Cleaner, Furniture Polish

Toilet paper

Paper towels

**Rags/Wash Cloths** 

**Scrub Pads** 

**Toilet Brush & Cleaner** 

Mops

**Brooms & Dust Pans** 

**Buckets** 

Thank you for your generosity!

For more information call 1-315-797-3339

Donations can be dropped off at St. Margaret's House ~ 47 Jordan Rd., New Hartford or Emmaus House ~ 1215 Kemble St., Utica.

