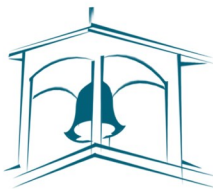


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Dear friends,

Some days as I go through life I have to remind myself that it's mid-June; seems that my mind is hovering somewhere in April and May, but as I sit hear on the patio at St. Margaret's House with the birds chirping away, I'm brought back to reality.

Now that Phase 3 has begun in our area, we will offer Wednesday lunch after the church service. All are welcome to come to the service – at this time with COVID-19 precautions in place – we will practice social distancing and have spiritual communion only but we will be together worshipping our Lord. We suggest a \$10 donation for lunch, but we never turn anyone away – again, all are welcome.

You'll see that our programming is very light for the summer. In a perfect world we would have additional offerings; in this COVID world I want you to know that you are welcome to come and find respite here. Perhaps do what I'm doing right now, sit on the patio and listen to the birds, catch a warm breeze, and thank God for all of the blessings that we enjoy. This is a great time to come and explore our beautiful library and peruse the books. Maybe there's something you'd enjoy reading – our world has slowed down – now is a great time to do so. You'll also see that our monthly dinner makes its return in July – in a little different format. There will be some dining in – in a variety of locations – and we will offer take out meals as well.

Continued prayers for the healing of our region, nation, and world from COVID-19 and the ugliness that ensues when the dignity of all people is compromised. Please come visit soon!

All the best,

Judith H. Reilly

Executive Director

This Month @ SMH

Join us for Spiritual Communion on Wednesdays @ 12pm followed by lunch!

* at this time we are unable to celebrate Holy Eucharist due to Covid-19 regulations*

Wednesday, July 15th @ 5:30pm SMH Monthly Dinner

BBQ Chicken, salt potatoes and corn on the cob! Also includes beverages, salad, & dessert!
\$15pp suggested donation. Limited indoor & outdoor seating available.
Call or email to reserve your seats or place your to-go order.

Monday, July 20th @ 2pm St. Margaret's Day Celebration!

Service will begin at 2pm followed by a reception with light refreshments and snacks.
Tours will offered. Donations are kindly accepted.