

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. B'S

for the week beginning December 5, 2021



Sunday

We worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am. Both services take place in the Church. Please wear a mask and practice compassionate distancing. You can also join us for worship at 10:30 am on ["Zoom."](#)

Faith Forum (for adults and older youth) gathers every other Sunday from 9:15 to 10:00 am on Zoom. Come today for **"Faith Forum Redesigned: A time with Flo."** Everyone is welcome! You can find the Zoom link [here](#) on our website.

Child care is available in the Parish House Cribbery for children up to age 5 from 10:00 am through 12:00 pm. Please stop by the Cribbery and meet our wonderful fully-vaccinated Caregiver, Dona McIntyre.

On Sunday mornings, children ages 3 to grade 5 are invited to participate in **Children's Word**. During the Sequence Hymn, children follow their teachers to the Undercroft. Children at home may join us on Zoom. Kangaroos (age 3—grade 2) meet in the Rector's Office; Elephants (grades 3—5) meet in the Copier Room. The [Kangaroo Zoom link is here](#). And the [Elephant Zoom link is here](#). Newcomers, friends, and parents are welcome to come along.

At 1:30 pm, **Olivet Baptist Church**, led by Pastor Alex Stone, worships in the Church and on Zoom.

Close your weekend with this unique opportunity to unplug, reconnect, and be spiritually fed. Join us at 4:30 pm for **Virtual Advent Lessons and Carols**, led by members and friends of the St. Bartholomew Choir. The YouTube Live link will be available [here](#).

D-Group, for those in grades 6—12, meets in the Parish House on Sundays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. Come for fun, fellowship, and faith. And invite a friend!

† Monday through Saturday at 12:00 noon, we hold a brief service of **Noonday Prayer** (at home). †

If you have specific prayer needs, please send them to Maggie Caldwell (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org).

Monday

Episcopal 102 (Scripture) meets via Zoom on Mondays from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. We're exploring some of the stories of the Bible. Everyone is welcome. Want more information? Contact The Reverend Carol Burnside at shinyredtruck@msn.com or text/call at 410-440-7394, or email Maggie Caldwell (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org) for the Zoom link.

At 7:00 pm, the **Adult Formation Committee** meets on Zoom.

Also at 7:00 pm, the **40 West Board** meets on Zoom.

Tuesday

The Outreach Committee meets on Zoom at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday

Episcopal 102 (Church) meets via Zoom on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. What does it mean to be an Episcopalian? If you are not an Episcopalian, this is a great opportunity to figure "us" out. If you are an Episcopalian, this is a great opportunity to remember why! Everyone is welcome. Want more information? Contact The Reverend Carol Burnside at shinyredtruck@msn.com or text/call at 410-440-7394, or email Maggie Caldwell (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org) for the Zoom link.

Youth in 6th grade through recent high school graduates are invited to join friends from around the Diocese at the **Weekly Online Gathering** on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Come for games, check-ins, prayers, and fellowship! Come for any or all! We're at <https://bit.ly/episcotime>.

Have new neighbors?

Why not invite them to St. B's one Sunday.

In the Church at 8:00 and 10:30 am and on Zoom at 10:30 am.

At 6:30, a **Sankofa Circle** meets on Zoom.

Also at 7:00 pm, another **Sankofa Circle** meets on Zoom.

Thursday The **Pastoral Care Committee** meets on Zoom at 1:30 pm.

The **St. Bartholomew Choir (for older youth & adults)** gathers in the Church at 7:30 pm. All are welcome! Please contact Ted Davis (ted@stbs-md.org) for more information.

Friday The Diocesan Youth Happening Planning Team has a lock-in in the Youth House from 6:00 pm until Saturday morning.

At 6:45 pm. the **Creation Caretakers** meet on Zoom.

Saturday St. B's hosts a COVID Vaccine Clinic from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please see the flyer on the next page.

Community Notes ...

We are grateful for all the **Pledges** made to St. B's. If you have not yet made your pledge, you may find pledge cards in the Tower Room. They are also available on our [website](#). Or contact Maggie (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org) or call the office (410-945-7263) and leave a message.

Be a part of the **Christmas Pageant** on Christmas Eve during the 4:00 pm service! It will be a virtual pageant with parts recorded in advance. The video will be shared during the 4:00 pm worship on Christmas Eve (both in the Church and on Zoom). All kids are invited, no matter where they live. Please contact Kathleen Schotto (kmschotto@yahoo.com) with questions and to sign up.

The Daughters of the King are sponsoring a **new mitten and glove drive** for the children and youth of 40 West. Look for the collection basket in the Tower Room. Donations are being collected through Monday, December 13.

Angel Tree gift cards (for \$25 from Walmart) are due to Glorius Sullivan (chgl@verizon.net) by Tuesday, December 14. The gift cards will be given to families of 40 West clients and Hope Harbor partners for Christmas shopping.

St. B's welcomes your special offering for **Christmas flowers** for either Memorials (given in thanks for those who have come before) or Thanksgivings for the gifts of this life. Please email Maggie Caldwell (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org) by Wednesday, December 15. Contributions may be mailed to the office or given [online](#).

Christmas ornaments, handcrafted of white Corian®, are available for \$10 each. All proceeds benefit Outreach projects. Please contact Maggie (mcaldwell@stbs-md.org) if you are interested in purchasing an ornament.

As the cold weather sets in, please remember to bring your unneeded **warm sweaters, coats, hats and gloves, and warmer clothes** to the 40 West Assistance and Referral Center.

A quick look at events in the coming weeks . . .

December 12 Faith Forum (for adults and older youth) gathers every other Sunday from 9:15 to 10:00 am on Zoom.

This day, led by Corinne Bowmaker, we'll be learning about The Reverend George Bragg – Episcopal Priest, Rector of St. James Lafayette Square, and activist who established the Maryland Home for Friendless Colored Children. Everyone is welcome! You can find the Zoom link [here](#) on our website.

December 18 "Take Out @ St. B's" will be available between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm. If you worship via Zoom and would like to be able to have Eucharist during worship on Christmas, Epiphany, and the First Sunday after the Epiphany, please feel free to stop by the Church, and, at the red back door, someone will be there to greet you and give you the communion kits you need.

December 19 The **Greening of the Church** takes place following the 10:30 am service. Please help us hang wreaths and set up the candelabras and aisle torches.

Please see the **Christmas Worship Schedule on the next page**.

December 30 The Daughters of the King invite you to join them for a virtual "Quiet Day" from 10:00 am to noon — a time for meditation, reflection, and renewal in preparation for the New Year.

COVID Vaccine Clinic

Saturday, December 11, 2021

Vaccines & Boosters - All
Administrators - MD National
Guard

Who - Ages 12 and up

Where - St. Bartholomew's
Episcopal Church, 4711
Edmondson Ave, Baltimore, MD

Time - 10 AM to 2 PM



Christmas Worship at St. B's in the Church and on Zoom



Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve Family Service
and Children's Pageant at 4:00 pm

Choral Preludes and Carols at 10:30 pm;
Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist at 11:00 pm

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day Eucharist at 10:30 am

Sunday, December 26

Holy Eucharist with Christmas Lessons at 8:00 am
(in the church only—not on Zoom).

Holy Eucharist with Christmas Lessons and Carols at 10:30 am



2022 Women's Retreat led by Katharine Armentrout and Flo Ledyard

Friday, January 28 and Saturday, January 29, 2022

The Edge of the World: Return, Stay, Go A Celtic Perspective

Do you ever feel like you are standing on the edge of the world - on a precipice between what is familiar and what the future will be? Do you ever feel overwhelmed by the choices we have before us? If so, you are not alone! Our Women's Retreat will give us a chance to share our thoughts, fears, and excitement about where we are standing in the world right now and what choices we can make.

We will learn about an exquisite Celtic spiritual notion called the Edge of the World, meet people who have exemplified each possible response, and then explore our own choices .

And then we will examine spiritual practices to support wherever we choose to journey.

The retreat this year will be at St Bartholomew's Church — and via Zoom.

Please register!!! It will be really helpful and important for us to know who is coming and how.

You can register by contacting Maggie Caldwell at mcaldwell@stbs-md.org or call the Office (410-945-7263) and leave a message. And please let us know if you will be attending in person or on Zoom.

We will begin Friday at 7:30 pm. (Dinner will be available for those who will be on site starting at 6:30 pm.)

Saturday we will begin at 9:00 am. (Breakfast will be available at 8:00 am for those attending on site).

We will end Saturday evening.

Meals will be catered for those on site.