

ST. MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Carrollton, Georgia

The Reverend Bruce Laird
Interim Rector

ANNUAL REPORTS JANUARY 2016– DECEMBER 2016

THE VESTRY

To serve through January 2017

Brenda Hattaway
Cindy Hull
Bill Parrish

To serve through January 2018

Carol Bachus
Mary Hooper
Julie Williard

To serve through January 2019

Pam Griffin
Clay Robinson
Joe Garrett

TO BE SELECTED: Three vestry persons to serve full terms of three years

2017 Annual Parish Meeting
St Margaret's Episcopal Church
Carrollton, Georgia

January 29, 2017
10:15 A.M.

Agenda

Opening Prayer – The Reverend Bruce Laird, Interim Rector

Call to Order – Brenda Hattaway, Senior Warden

Election of Vestry

Nominees

Bruce Bobick
Carolyn Cary
Randy Coggins
Paul Jarrell
Eric Lenaeus
John Lyons
Eric McDonald
Betsy Prince
Amanda Reynolds

Recognition of outgoing Vestry and leadership – Joe Garrett

Brenda Hattaway
Cindy Hull
Bill Parrish

State of St Margaret's

Senior Warden's Comments
Nominating Committee Chairperson's Comments
Interim Rector's Comments
Commission Reports

Presentation of the Budget 2017

Bill Parrish

Dismissal

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church
Interim Rector's Report for the Annual Meeting
January 29, 2017

Thoughts from the Interim Rector

You, the people of St. Margaret's have blessed Sherrie and me more than you know! We love being here with you and striving together to be the Church God has called us to be.

I truly believe St. Margaret's parish is solidly grounded by virtue of your faithfulness, generosity, fellowship, service to each other and the larger community, and a fine staff. Working with Julie Foreman, Meghan Bennett, Jessie McLaren, and Austin Clark is treat for me. They are capable, willing, available, and enthusiastic. I am blessed beyond imagination having their support and confidence; and the parish family is blessed to have them working on your behalf. As you have heard me say on Sundays, the Vestry and Nominating Committee are, without exception, formed from dedicated people and take seriously their charge. I assure you, they are doing superb work for you.

You have a fine group of teachers and sponsors working with our youth on Sundays and for other special events. And your Vestry is supportive of Christian Education in the priority they give it in the budget. Frankly, I'm amazed at the number of folks who take seriously the task of working with our youngsters – it can certainly feel, sometimes, like a thankless, unrewarding job. Although I believe the teachers and sponsors are blessed and gratified by their work.

As always, there is room for growth: individual and corporate. Physical plant maintenance seems to be an issue in the congregations I have observed. As individuals, we are plagued by lack of skill for certain tasks, and/or lack of time to spend doing the easier work, and/or lack of physical stamina to do some of the more demanding jobs. Qualified professionals are sometimes difficult to find or schedule and usually expensive. As a family, we find ourselves having to prioritize a long list of important items; and maintenance tends to show up low on the list. Need I remind you, however, that the old saying, "Pay me now or pay me more later" is as true today as it was yesterday.

Attendance at Christian Education opportunities is somewhat better than hit-or-miss; but could be taken more seriously. We all need a better understanding of Scripture, Church History, and Theology. It's impossible to get it if we are not present; and it is most frustrating for teachers and presenters, who have prepared for a session, to have sparse attendance. Along with that, I've noticed less than robust attendance at some of the fellowship opportunities that have been available. I know much of that is at night, and some of us don't do well driving after dark.

Lest I end on a sour note, I want to reaffirm how pleased and blessed I am that you are allowing me to walk with you on this journey of transition. You make me want to get up in the morning and go to work! And the work we are doing here – together – is work I find gratifying, meaningful, and joyful. If I were eligible, and younger, I would seek to be your next Rector. But I am grateful for this interim time to be with you! Thank you!

Celebrating Life in 2016

“You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ’s own forever”

Baptisms:

Margaret Elizabeth Ward McDonald

Philip Edgar Collins, Jr.

Jack Joseph Stark

Loren Rhodes Weber

Presley Reece Payne

Calvin Patrick Cusick

Pinar Asiye Cox

Taylor Jane Cox

Joshua Sean Cantrell

Charlotte Isabel Patrick

Elise Rose Brewer

Avery James Williard

Daniel Nan Chin, Jr.

Carson Michael Clary

“Into your hands, we commend your servants..”

Deaths:

Jo Hunsicker

Pat Brunson

Richard Logan

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church
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Senior Warden's Report for 2016

Last January when I was asked to serve as your Senior Warden for the second year, it never occurred to me that 2016 would take the challenging turn that it did ... 2016 has been exciting, interesting, and demanding - and a blessing beyond anything I could have imagined! The people of St. Margaret's faced the challenge of great change with grace and confidence. Along with the challenges, we experienced exciting opportunities, celebrated ministries, and offered new opportunities for participation in the life of St. Margaret's.

During the Vestry Retreat at Camp Mikell, we conceptualized a whole parish summit to vision for St. Margaret's next ten years. This concept evolved into Summit 2026, which took place in April. The voices of parishioners of all ages were heard. The vestry identified themes from the comments and looked for priorities that we could accomplish immediately. Those priorities led to the installation of a sound system in the Nave; an increased focus on Pastoral Care; and the implementation of Wednesday Night Suppers.

In May, we learned that our Youth Minister, Laura Lenaeus would step down at the end of July and we celebrated her long, successful ministry with our young people. We were blessed to find Jessica McLaren to serve as Interim Youth Minister as we looked to the future of the youth and children's Christian Formation programs.

Our greatest challenge of 2016 came in August when Hazel announced that she would be leaving St. Margaret's at the end of September. So August and September became a time for celebrating her amazing ministry. It is always difficult to have a beloved rector leave; but we moved into the transition period with confidence that God would support and guide us. The Diocese of Atlanta's "Call of Clergy" provided the process and The Reverend Cannon Alicia Schuster-Weltner mentored us. Our first blessing was finding an interim Rector within a month: Father Bruce Laird was most assuredly the answer to our prayers. He came to us on November 1 and will lead us spiritually until our permanent Rector is called. The Vestry moved ahead with the identification of the Nominating Committee using a process recommended by Alicia Shuster-Weltner. The work of this group started almost immediately and they have made great progress on the steps of the process for identifying candidates for our next rector.

Another challenge we faced was the removal of the ancient oak tree in front of the church ... it was determined by an arborist that it was a danger to our church building and potentially to us. Father Laird conducted a service celebrating it's time with us before it was taken down.

St. Margaret's was blessed with wonderful spiritual leadership from The Very Reverend Hazel Glover and, then, from The Reverend Bruce Laird; and with a remarkable staff: Julie Foreman, Meghan Bennett, Austin Clarke, Laura Lenaeus, and Jessie McLaren. Each one of them brings skill, compassion, energy, faithfulness and unwavering dedication to St. Margaret's.

I am deeply grateful to have had the opportunity to work with this vestry as we prayerfully embraced opportunities and challenges – always mindful of our responsibility to be good stewards of the gifts that God has given us. St. Margaret's enters 2017 a strong parish because of the hard work of this group. My deepest appreciation to outgoing vestry members: Bill Parrish (Junior Warden) and Cindy Hull. Three new members will be elected at the Annual Meeting ... thanks to each nominee for being willing to serve and to help lead us through the coming months

as we move through the process of finding the person that God has chosen for us as our new rector.

During the weeks following Hazel's departure, three people - Bill Parrish (Junior Warden), Art Bower (Treasurer), and Julie Foreman (Parish Administrator) - were particularly helpful to me and I offer each one my sincere gratitude for their tireless work in getting our transition off and running smoothly.

As my time as your Senior Warden comes to a close, I offer my heartfelt thanks to the vestry and to each one of you for your support, especially this year, and for the opportunity to serve St. Margaret's.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Hattaway

Report from the Jr. Warden

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mission Statement: Our mission is to enhance the image of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church by providing an aesthetically pleasing “campus” community that will provide a spiritual, safe, sanitary environment for church members, staff and visitors.

2016 Maintenance Improvements:

Improve temperature/air flow in chancel.

Remove and Dispose of rotten oak tree (Coleman St).

Added audio enhancing system in Chancel.

Created playground master plan including costing

Created master landscape plan for pathway to Bass house and playground area.

Repaired roof of Parish Hall.

Repair church shutters.

Church steeple-repair wood, prep and paint. (Coming Q1 '17).

Repair/replace church broken roof tiles. (Coming Q1 '17).

Summit 2026

There were three “high priority” buildings and grounds Action Items identified during the Summit 2026 meeting:

1. A playground to be installed in the backyard of the Bass house.
2. Accessible pathway between the courtyard of SMC and the Bass house.
3. Listening device system for audio improvement within the Chancel.

The Vestry deemed each of these action items high priority items with immediate action committed to each.

1. A playground steering committee was created with the leadership of Joe Garrett to pursue best options for the parish and potential costing levels. The vestry thoroughly reviewed options presented by the steering committee and have chosen the best option for SMC.
2. In conjunction with the playground committee, a landscape architectural firm was contracted to draw potential plans for a pathway between SMC courtyard and the Bass house to provide accessibility for all members. Included in the drawings are planning for the playground area in the back of the Bass house.
3. Security Solutions was hired to review our audio needs and specifications for the project. We contracted them for the installment of amplifier, 10 headsets (located in the Nave), and microphones for those with auditory issues during services.

Men's Group (ECM)

The Episcopal Church Men continued to meet during 2016 including a parish workday in April. We hope to continue this fun and thriving ministry.

Bill Parrish
Jr. Warden

Summary of Actions Initiated from Summit 2026: May – December 2016

Priority	Actions	Status
Anglican Heritage	New vestments	

Priority	Actions	Status
Compassionate Care	Pastoral Care Commission met to refine processes with the intent of increasing engagement. The needs of seniors in our parish and community continue to be explored.	On-going
	Specific activities for children and youth have been introduced to engage them in SMCO related outreach as part of Sunday School classes and EYC.	On-going

Priority	Actions	Status
Relationships	Established regular Wednesday evening suppers (Summer Suppers, Fall Feasts, and Winter Wednesdays)	Established/ On-going
	Celebrated Laura Lenaeus' 13-year ministry to our community on July 31 st . Celebration was attended by many young adults who participated in EYC during her time as Youth Minister.	Completed
	New part-time Youth Minister was hired in August.	Completed
	New youth minister has conducted several parent meetings have been held to engage them in process to clarify/confirm vision for the program.	On-going

Priority	Actions	Status
Welcoming Spaces	Bass House Commission was established to provide direction for use. Currently in use by Interim Rector	Completed
	Plans for an accessible pathway between the courtyard and the Bass House are in progress. Funds for this will be raised through commemorative bricks.	On-going
	Sound system with listening devices has been purchased and installed.	Completed
	The vestry has approved plans for the "Laura Lenaeus" playground to be installed in backyard of Bass House. Donations to honor the ministry of Laura Lenaeus were collected as part of the celebration of her ministry. Sources for remaining funds are being sought.	On-going
	Options to provide better wheelchair accessibility in the Nave are being explored.	On-going

Respectfully submitted by Mary Hooper

Music

About the program.

The choirs of St. Margaret's are made up of approximately 30 voices from ages 10-80 who come together to lead the weekly liturgies. This community serves singers from all walks of life, all levels of experience, and all levels of musical abilities.

The Chancel Choir is St. Margaret's primary parish choir, and auditions are open to singers of all ages. This ensemble leads the singing and other liturgical aspects of the 11:00 Eucharist each Sunday, plus occasional services such as Ash Wednesday, services through Holy Week, the Christmas Eve Midnight Eucharist, and A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. Music at Sunday services typically includes two anthems, a psalm, hymns, and service music. Rehearsals take place on Wednesday evenings at 7:00–9:00. The finest repertoire is drawn from the last five hundred years of choral composition around the world.

Year in Review

- ❖ Renovation of the pipe organ by A. E Schleuter Organs. New console and restructuring of tonal resources to increase tonal palette and to support music and liturgy in the best way possible.
- ❖ Formation of a Music Committee who assist the Organist–Choirmaster in running the music program. Currently consists of 6 members who serve a one-year term. Goals this year included establishing a musical identity.
- ❖ Established monthly Compline services sung by the Compline Schola, a small ensemble committed to excellence in music.
- ❖ Average choir attendance and personnel remained the same.

If you are interested in knowing more about the music program, please contact Organist–Choirmaster, Austin Clark, at music.stmargaretsga@gmail.com

Austin Clark
Organist–Choirmaster

Christian Formation
Annual Report – January 2016

The Christian Formation Commission, Children’s Ministry, Children’s Christian Education, Youth Ministry and Worship, and Adult Christian Education.

Christian formation is defined by the Episcopal Church as the lifelong process of growing spiritually through our relationship with God, self, others, and all creation. Every experience in our lives can provide us with the opportunity to express our faith; the challenge we face is recognizing these opportunities and learning ways to live a sometimes-countercultural life in a secular world.

Mission for Christian Formation:

To offer a comprehensive framework of enrichment, study, and prayer as we participate in the life of our parish and our world and explore God’s purpose for our lives.

Children’s Ministry

The Children’s Ministry organizes fellowship and formation activities for the children of St. Margaret’s. Events in 2016 included the Easter Egg Hunt, a “School’s Out Movie Night” (May), Vacation Bible School (June), a trip to the Water Park (July), the Monster Mash event in the Pumpkin Patch (October), and the Christmas pageant on Christmas Eve.

Two multigenerational events provided opportunities for families and other parishioners to gather together for formation and fellowship. During Lent, we organized “Aslan of the Move” and gathered each Wednesday for evening dinners. The program based on C.S. Lewis’s *The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe* included clips from the movie "Narnia" and engaging activities with beloved characters from the C.S. Lewis classic "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe." For Advent, the Children’s Ministry committee sponsored an intergenerational Advent Wreath Making event.

Many parishioners who made contributions, volunteered time, and participated supported all of these activities. Special appreciation is extended to Nichole Chetti-Bush, Renee Fitts, Laurie Fleck, Jo Fortner, Ali Garrett, Margaret Louttit, Jane Lyons, Ella Smith, and Meghan Sullivan for their leadership in planning and directing these activities.

Children’s Christian Education

Program Notes:

The Sunday School program at St. Margaret’s is a vibrant community of learners, meeting from September – May during the 10 o’clock hour each week. Our teachers are a committed caring group of adults who do an exceptional job of engaging their students on Sunday mornings. They each offer up their unique gifts for encouraging and uplifting children in their belief in God and membership in the church.

Preschool and elementary school students are introduced to the stories of God and his people in the Old and New Testaments, the parables of Jesus, and the Saints of God through Godly Play, a Montessori based way of teaching developed by The Rev. Jerome Berryman.

Our Intermediate class is studying the Saints of the church using lessons from Godly Play Volume 7, and the church published “Lesser Feasts and Fasts”.

The Journey to Adulthood program offers a meaningful way for our teens to develop relationships with God, the church, their peers and adults in the congregation. In 2016, the J2A class went on a Pilgrimage to Edinburgh, Dunfermline, Iona and Glasgow, Scotland. The following students attended: Elizabeth Cochran, Maggie Denmon, Lauren Langford, Charlie Minor, Lilly Parmer, Lucy Hughes Parrish, Cate Paul, Addie Robinson and Beau Vaughn. The Rev. Hazel Glover served as Chaplin on the trip, which was directed by Laura Leneaus. Ryan Weber and Taylor Gordon served as chaperones. This group is now preparing for Confirmation in April of 2017.

Sunday School Teachers:

Margaret Louttit stepped in to serve as Sunday School Superintendent for the 2016-17 school year. Many parishioners currently serve as teachers in six levels of classes. In partnership with Jessie McClarin (Interim Youth Minister) and parents, we are exploring an alternative structure for working with high school students in the Journey to Adulthood (J2A) program on Sunday Mornings.

CLASS	CURRICULUM	TEACHERS
Pre K / K 3's – K	Godly Play	Beth Brewer, Lydia McClendon, Ella Smith, Margaret Louttit
Primary 1 st – 2 nd Grade	Godly Play	Ashley Carter, Kitty Cleghorn, Ketty Cusick, Nicole Long
Intermediate 3 rd – 5 th Grade	Godly Play (Saints)	Jeana Langford, Neil Langford, Mary Hooper
Rite 13 6 th – 7 th Grade	Journey to Adulthood	Carolyn Cary, Megan Sullivan, Lacey Robinson, Sarah Jones
J2A 8 th – 9 th Grade	Journey to Adulthood	Craig Williard, Jenny McDonald, Lianne Denmon, Randy Denmon
YAC 10 th -12 th Grade	Journey to Adulthood	Taylor Gordon, Julie Weber, Ryan Weber

Youth Ministry and Worship

Nursery:

The nursery continues to welcome and care for the youngest members of the parish. It is a bright cheerful room, and was furnished with new shelving and a play area. The nursery is open from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm every Sunday and at special events for children from 0 – 36 months.

Children's Chapel: Children ages 3 – 7 participate in a worship service that mirrors the structure of regular Sunday worship during the 9 am serviced each Sunday.

Youth Acolytes: We have a good number of youth who serve as acolytes at the 9 am Worship Service.

Youth Ministry Transition:

In the summer of 2016, the parish community celebrated the culmination of Laura Leneaus' 13-year service as our Youth Minister. Donations in support of the building of a Playground to be named in her honor were collected.

In the fall, Jessie McClaren was hired as our part-time, interim Youth Minister. Jessie has been working with members of the Vestry to engage parents in a series of planning sessions as part of an effort to clarify and confirm the vision for the Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) and Journey to Adulthood (J2A) programs in the parish. A separate report described these activities.

Adult Formation and Worship:

In 2016, St. Margaret' parishioners were engaged in a variety of spiritual growth activities.

Adult Sunday School

Two Sunday School classes meet regularly through out the year.

Adult Acolytes:

We have a good number of adults who serve as acolytes for the 11:00 worship service.

Thursday Morning Bible Study Group:

The Thursday Morning Bible Study was formed not only to study the Bible, but also to provide fellowship, encouragement and learning in a supportive community. Although some call it the Ladies' Bible Study, it is open to everyone. The group of about 10 parishioners meets each Thursday from August through May at 11:00 a.m. in the parish hall.

In 2016 we studied many different types of prayer, The Book of Common Prayer, the 1980 Hymnal, the book of James (via the book, James in the Suburbs, by April Love-Fordham), and the book of Luke. Our guest speakers included April Love-Fordham and Austin Clark. We went to the movies and the Booth Museum of Western Art. We went to lunch together. We argued together. We laughed together. And, we prayed together.

A big part of our mission is prayer, and we maintain a prayer list that is ever-changing. We believe that prayer changes things, especially ourselves. Our study of the types of prayer gave us many different ways to listen for God's voice. Our study of James called us to take action when God speaks to us. Come join us. You will be changed.

Wednesday Evening Forums

Bruce Bobick continued his service coordinating the monthly Adult Forums that were held on the first Wednesday of each month.

Diocesan and Community Activities

St. Margaret's was represented in several Christian Formation activities in the Diocese including the February Dismantling Racism training session held at the Cathedral.

The annual Diocesan Council Meeting provided the opportunity for several parishioners to join our clergy in two-days of dialog, discussion, and decision-making.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Hooper, Pam Griffin, and Brenda Hattaway

EYC (Episcopal Youth Community)

In addition to Sunday morning classes, St. Margaret's has an EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) group for students in grades 6 – 12. The primary purpose of EYC is to provide students with an opportunity to develop relationships with each other and God through fellowship, service and worship. Events are planned locally and the group also participates in youth events on the Diocesan level.

The fall of 2016 was a great season for our group. We kicked off the year in August with a lake party at Tanner Park which included games, fellowship and t-shirt making. Some of our favorite activities and events from the Fall semester included a service scavenger hunt, biscuit making for our blessing of the animals service, a trip to Ole McDermitt's Farm, Great Strides Walk to benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the great Pumpkin Patch which the youth hosted a family fun night, a Youth Lock-in at the Bass House, a Christmas themed parent's night out, and the annual EYC Christmas Party. The fall of 2016 provided the EYC with many community service opportunities as well which included, making dresses for the Dress a Girl Around the World Foundation, packing 40 sack lunches and 40 care packages which the youth distributed to the homeless at Church of the Common Ground in Atlanta, and packing the stockings for Outreach's Homework Helper.

EYC is looking forward to an awesome spring 2017 semester as well. Highlights of the 2017 year will include: DYC retreat in January at Camp Mikell, SR EYC ice skating, JR EYC Roller skating, Snow Mountain Trip in February, Low Country Boil to help raise funds for our 2017 summer mission trip and future pilgrimages, the Annual Hunger Walk in March, Youth Sunday, SR EYC zip lining, JR EYC riding the Green Belt, Senior Night, and end of the year celebration. The summer of 2017 the youth will have the opportunity to participate in two diocesan youth events: Tubing down the hooch in Helen, GA with a youth lead service at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection & ATLserve Mission Trip in June, where we will be staying at All Saints Episcopal church. The youth will spend five days providing services to various ministries which include: Church of the Common Ground foot clinic, the Atlanta Food Bank, Holy Comforter, YELLS, Smart Kid Smart Lunch, and Meals on Wheels.

Thank you to all of the parents and other church members for your continuing support of our youth programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie McLaren
Youth Director

ST. MARGARET'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH 2016 ANNUAL REPORT



The mission of St. Margaret's Community Outreach (SMCO) serves as a daily reminder of the tasks at hand: ***to serve the unmet needs of poor and disadvantaged families and individuals in Carroll County and beyond, without discrimination, and to provide those families and individuals opportunities that enable them to address and overcome the causes of poverty and distress in their lives.***

SMCO continued to pursue this mission in 2016, even under new leadership. The incredible support of St. Margaret's Vestry, clergy, office staff, and volunteers has been vital to maintaining existing programs and growing new ideas. We continue to deeply appreciate the fundraisers, donations, and grants provided to allow our programs to flourish. The SMCO Endowment Fund experienced notable growth in 2016 and we look forward to the endowment being fully funded, as this will provide predictable monthly income for generations to come. Collaboration with other organizations remains an important part of carrying out our mission to "...serve the unmet needs of poor and disadvantaged families and individuals..." and we have been privileged to work with many wonderful people and organizations to help with this awesome responsibility of caring for "the least of these."

When Catherine handed over the reigns in January, I could not have imagined the thrill that would be overseeing this wonderful piece of St. Margaret's. And while there have certainly been some bumps in the road, lessons learned, and a few unexpected challenges (and joys ☺) along the way, we have stayed true to our mission. Thank you for being a part of this great responsibility and privilege. I look forward to continuing this work with you.

With thanksgiving and excitement as we move forward with this important work God has called upon us to do—
~Meghan

May we who bear Queen Margaret's name follow her in the joyful spending of ourselves for others, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sources of Financial Support

- (excluding SMCO Endowment Fund contributions)
- Alice Huffard Richards Foundation
- Carroll EMC Round-up Foundation
- Carroll EMC Board of Directors
- Carrollton Golden K Kiwanis
- CoBank
- Community Foundation of West Georgia
- Community Donors (individuals)
- Gifts and Memorials
- Kroger Community Rewards
- St. Margaret's ECW
- St. Margaret's ECW Valentine Luncheon
- St. Margaret's Endowment
- St. Margaret's Members
- St. Margaret's Vestry
- Tyus City Club

In-Kind Donors / Volunteer Sources

- David Basil, Attorney
- Carrollton Dawnbreakers Rotary Club
- Carrollton City Schools
- Carrollton Golden K Kiwanis
- Carrollton High School Show Choir
- Carrollton Pilot Club
- Chick Fil A
- Community Donors (individuals)
- Community Donors (business/professional)
- First Baptist Church
- Flower Cart
- Grace Lutheran Church
- Oak Mountain Academy Middle School
- Oak Mountain Academy Lower School

In-Kind Donors / Volunteer Sources

- St. Margaret's ECW-St. Margaret's EYC
- St. Margaret's Members
- St. Margaret's Children/Youth Sunday School Students
- Tanner Health System
- University of West Georgia

Ongoing Programs:

- ▣ Paper Pantry
- ▣ Homework Helper
- ▣ Backpack Snack Program
- ▣ Circles of West Georgia (co-launched by SMCO and Community Foundation of West Georgia)
- ▣ Intensive Care and Follow-Through (ICF)
- ▣ **General Assistance:**

Housing/Rent	Utilities
Food	Education
Medicine/Health Care	Employment
Transportation	

Special Projects

- Carroll County Soup Kitchen
- Carrollton Dawnbreakers Club Babies 'n Books Distribution
- Carrollton High School Homecoming Collection/Distribution
- Community Referral Network (CRN)
- Project NOEL
- Service Learning/Community Service Site
- Service Organization "Model" Consultant

2016 Number Served

By Transaction: 1415

Total individuals: 1258

By Household: 385

Total Children: 625

Backpack Snack and Homework Helper Transactions: 1827

Volunteer Hours: 428

(Volunteer Hours exclude Paper Pantry delivery, Backpack Snack Assembly, and other undocumented Community Project Volunteer Hours)

St. Margaret's Community Outreach (SMCO)

Custom Summary Report

01/26/17

January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016

	<u>Jan 1, '16 - Dec 31, '16</u>
Income	
Cash Contributions	
General Donations	109,000.00
Total Cash Contributions	<u>109,000.00</u>
Other Income	
Interest on MMA BB&T	23.63
Total Other Income	<u>23.63</u>
Total Income	109,023.63
Expense	
Bank Service Charge	39.00
Check Printing Expense	200.60
Programs & Services	
Circles of WGA Barrier Reductio	2,946.28
Community Support	4,161.12
Education	
Homework Helper	1,389.22
Youth Scholarship	630.00
Total Education	<u>2,019.22</u>
Food	
Food - Backpack Snacks	5,425.16
Food - General	175.00
Food - Other	650.00
Total Food	<u>6,250.16</u>
Health/Wellness	112.74
Housing	42,228.84
ICF	8,728.43
Misc. Assistance	1,034.00
Paper Pantry	848.04
Project Noel	5,103.34
Transportation	780.95
Utilities	49,535.69
Volunteer Appreciation	101.85
Total Programs & Services	<u>123,850.66</u>
Total Expense	<u>124,090.26</u>

St. Margaret's Community Outreach (SMCO) Endowment Fund

\$737,182.02

State Street Global Advisors, Charitable Asset Management

2016 Year-End Balance

Altar Guild Report January 2017

The Altar Guild has five teams. During the holidays the teams are needed to serve more often than the regular schedule of every six weeks. Seven teams would be even more ideal because of the rotation of weeks in the church calendar. The number of teams has been reduced by one due to the disbanding of Judy Reed's team. This is a great sadness to this Altar Guild Chairman and is a great loss to the Altar Guild. Debbie Pyles and Debby Covington have been added to Susan Lenaeus's team. Also Pete Croft has resigned, due to health issues. Betsy Sutton has also been added to the team.

The five Altar Guild teams are as follows:

*Susan Lenaeus, Kathryn Grams, Debby Covington, Debbie Pyles, Betsy Sutton and Julie Lindahl

*Julie Willard, Jane Lyons, Carol Bachus, and Alice Robinson

*Liz Key, Rose Dufour, Jeanette Bernhardt, Cindy Hull, and Fred Bernhardt.

*Georgia Carter, Diana Rash, Stephanie Turner, and Nancy Disinger.

*Fran Robinson, Laura Lenaeus, Margaret Louttit, Catherine Minor, and Ali Garrett

A new Fair Linen has been ordered in recognition of Hazel Glover's 15 years of ministry along with 3 new purificators with a donation from ECW. Three additional purificators have been ordered with a donation from Fran Robinson. New Green hangings for the summer season for the Lectern and Pulpit were ordered in memory of Andrea Morris grandchild and a Super Frontal was donated by Brenda Hattaway in memory of her mother.

This year we celebrate the 102 birthday of past Altar Guild member Mavis Watts. She is remembered for the beautiful flowers that she grew in her yard for the Altar and as a loyal team captain for many years.

Members provide for services, which include weddings, memorial services, Christenings and funerals, besides the three regular weekly services, befitting the grace of St. Margaret's Church. Members of the guild create the decor for Christmas and Easter. Without each ones care and commitment, the work of the Altar Guild would not be possible. It is a blessing to have these gracious and unassuming ladies and gentlemen serving on the "Altar Guild of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church".

The Altar Guild is always seeking new members to join the Guild and serve St. Margaret's in this capacity of love and devotion. Please consider this loving service.

It is truly a meaningful experience to be setting the Lord's table for Holy Eucharist of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church.

Serving in the name of Christ,

Susan Lenaeus, Chairman St. Margaret's Altar Guild since 1995.

Pastoral Care January 2017

The Pastoral Care Committee had an active year. We began meeting on a regular basis that has helped tremendously with continuity of in-reach care. An email is sent every Monday to all committee members and staff to discuss the needs of parishioners. The committee members include Bruce Bobick, Ali Garrett, Martha Goodson, Beth Graf, Pam Griffin, Dean Jordan, Liz Key, and Julie Williard.

A pamphlet that details the ministries of pastoral care was developed and is available at all church entrances.

Our resource teams are working wonderfully well and help to support most needs of the parish. This year we added a resource team for home repairs, designed to help parishioners with small needs such as installation of handrails, tub rails, handicap ramps, etc. Gary Bachus and Neal Langford support this team.

Three church members were certified as Lay Eucharistic Visitors to assist the priest in providing home communion to any member unable to attend church. These members are Bruce Bobick, Pam Griffin, and Julie Williard.

Beth Graf joined Martha Goodson in the task of sending out notes on an as needed basis as reminders that the church is praying for healing in sickness or remembering the death of a loved one. We are always in need of men and women to join this important ministry at St. Margaret's.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Williard

Parish Life 2016

One of the most basic functions of a Christian community is hospitality and table fellowship following Christ's own practice. Parish Life offers the opportunity to experience fellowship and to learn more about God's love for us through one another. Our Parish has a very strong feeling of family, and we welcome newcomers as family.

Please join us—we'd like to get to know you.

Activities for Parish Life involvement:

- ❖ Lenten Suppers
- ❖ Wednesday Night Suppers
- ❖ Ecumenical Service Sandwich Luncheon
- ❖ Newcomers Get Together
- ❖ Evensong Reception
- ❖ Cookies & Lemonade after the summer's single services
- ❖ Ice Cream Social
- ❖ July 4th Picnic
- ❖ Fish Fry
- ❖ Back-to-Business Picnic
- ❖ Pumpkin Patch Hotdog Supper
- ❖ St. Margaret's Day
- ❖ Foyer Groups
- ❖ Epiphany Party
- ❖ Any parish time for food, fellowship, and celebration.

Parish Life depends on committee members and parishioners to help carry out the activities that occur all year long. For more information about getting involved in any of the Parish Life activities, contact Carol Bachus or Julie Foreman.

Parish Life—Carol Bachus chairperson & vestry representative, Clay Robinson & Cindy Hull vestry representatives

Carol Bachus

Parish Life

ECW Annual Report

January 29, 2017

With our mission to empower, motivate and nurture the women of St. Margaret's in utilizing our gifts and talents to serve Christ in the world, ECW has carried out our charge in many ways and on many different levels. Through our fund raising activities (monthly Feeding the Flock food sales and the famous Valentine Luncheon) the ladies of ECW raised over \$8965.00 this year enabling us to donate and gift many ministries on the national, diocesan, and parish level. We coordinate two United Thank Offering in-gatherings during Advent and on Easter. These funds are sent to the National Church, which disperses them through grant applications both nationally and internationally. Within the Diocese of Atlanta we have members who served on the Executive Board, act as webmasters for the Diocesan ECW website and provided an entertainment program for the annual spring retreat at Camp Mikell. We make an annual financial contribution to the Diocesan ECW. We hosted an informational program led by Suzie Whitmore on Rainbow Village located in Norcross, a recipient of a \$75,000 grant from UTO funds. This grant went to provide an early learning center for the children residing at Rainbow Village. ECW members hosted a shower for Rainbow Village to help furnish apartments at the Village. These items were collected and delivered to Rainbow Village by our ECW.

On the local parish level we partnered with Circles of West Georgia to provide a meal for one of their meetings. We acted as chefs for several parish Wednesday night suppers. We are making a contribution to help pay for the cost of publishing the newly completed history of St. Margaret's that is dedicated to a long time ECW member. We made a financial contribution to the future playground in honor of Laura Lenaeus' ministry as Youth Director, funded our annual Catherine S. Gordon Camp Mikell scholarship for a deserving Homework Helper student, commissioned an original watercolor portrait of Maybelline and presented it to Hazel Glover in appreciation of her time as rector here. We presented a chasuble to Robert Fowler in appreciation of his serving as curate. We make a financial contribution to the interim rector's discretionary fund. We held a baby shower for SMCO director, Megan Bennett and made a contribution to her son's college fund. We provided altar flowers on All Saints' Day. We are purchasing a new fair linen and purificators for use by the Altar Guild. We purchased needed kitchen supplies and helped maintain and replace kitchen appliances. We purchased 15 round table clothes for use during our Valentine luncheon. We support SMCO with the proceeds from our Valentine Luncheon. In 2016 we were able to present a check for \$5000. We provide needed supplies for the two paper pantries, contribute cash to Project Noel, and pack bundles for the newborn paper pantry. We provide onesies and diapers for newborn paper pantry at our Christmas luncheon hosted the Santa's elves. ALL of our financial contributions are outside of the normal operating budget of St. Margaret's.

This has been a year of education through speakers: Suzie Whitmore, Megan Bennett, Leslie Davis and Lisanne Denmon who inform us of opportunities to help.

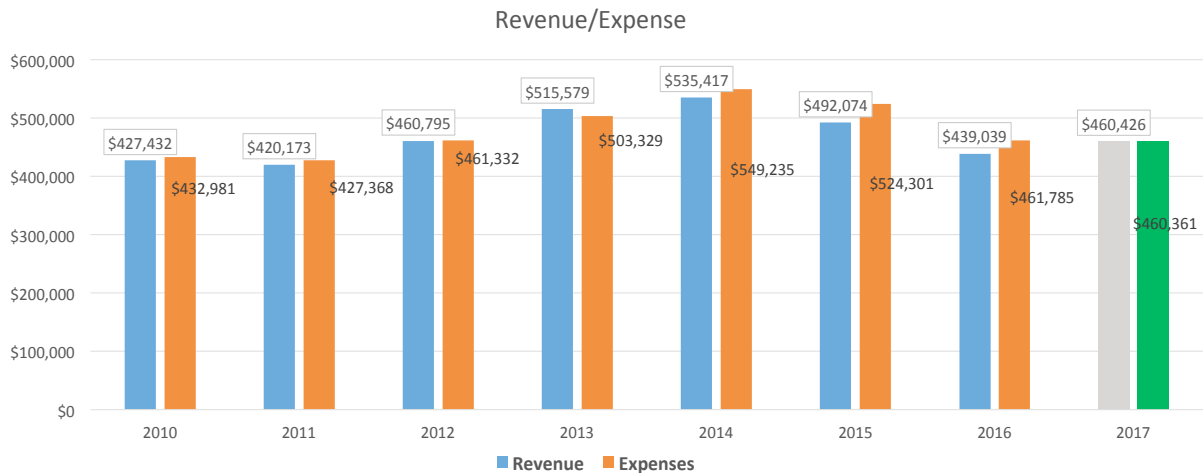
We meet on the second Tuesday of the each month from September to May at noon usually in the parish hall with members bringing a lunch to eat while we conduct our business meeting. ALL women of St. Margaret's are warmly welcomed and encouraged to come and join us in serving Christ in the world.

Jo Fortner, President 2016-2017

The Financial state of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church



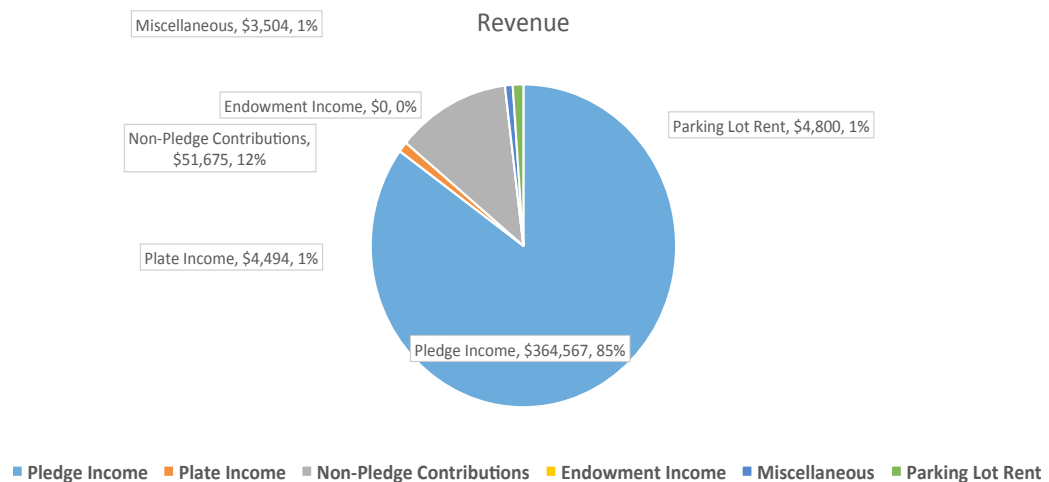
St. Margarets Revenue/Expense History



2016 Revenue Sources

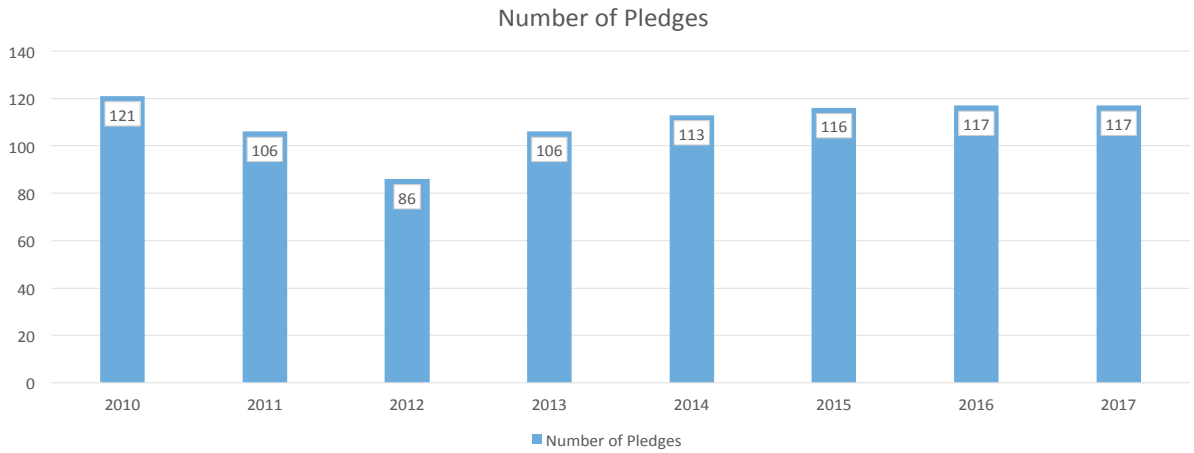


\$434,039 Total Annual Revenue





Historical Pledge Participation from our 300+ Members

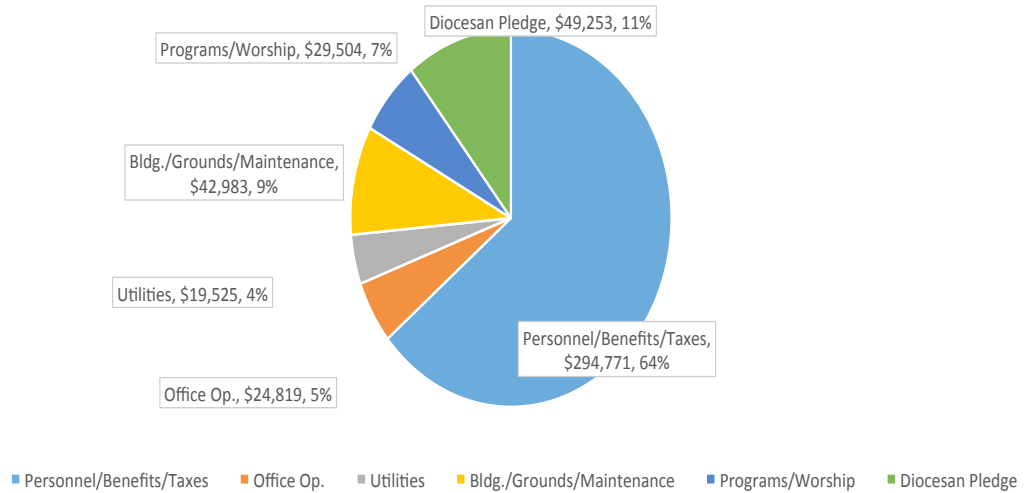


2016 Expense Categories



\$460,856 Expenses

Expense





Investments -St. Margaret's Endowment

Securities Held in SME <small>Established in 1998 with a gift from the Richards Foundation of \$229,500</small>	Shares	Price	Value
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Admiral Shares	1679.985	\$25.20	\$42,335.62
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund Admiral Shares	3277.649	\$21.57	\$70,698.89
Vanguard REIT Index Fund Admiral Shares	181.674	\$119.45	\$21,700.96
Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund Admiral Shares	369.592	\$62.64	\$23,151.24
Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Fund Admiral Shares	201.29	\$66.33	\$33,480.57
Vanguard Large Cap Index Fund Admiral Shares	2466.32	\$52.58	\$12,9679.10
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund	7067.13	\$1	\$7,067.13
		Total	\$328,113.51
Plunkett Family Gift - Bond Matures 2020			
U S TREASURY BOND - COUPON 8.75000 %	25000	\$124.72	\$31,180.75



St. Margaret's Other Investments

- Alice H. Richards Endowment – Managed by the Community Foundation of West Georgia – Original gift of \$500,000.

(The church receives any interest and appreciation above \$500,000 on an annual basis. No income was received in 2016.)