



MATTHIAS MIDWEEK

Inspired by the life and compassion of Jesus Christ,
We are a church of action in our community, engaging in
Hospitality by offering bread for body and soul

A GREAT PILGRIMAGE

I felt in need of a great pilgrimage
so I sat still for three
days

and God came
to me.

~Kabir

So Lent is now over. A time of taking a break from the ordinary. A time of solitude. A time of pausing. I am not sure if I ever got to the starting line. I did struggle, being perplexed along with Nicodemus, thirsty with the Samaritan woman, unseen along side the blind man and mourning with the sisters.

Uncomfortable. Out of sorts. Where is God? A glimmer of light on the horizon?

I was told once that one can't be a Christian without community. There is no time like Holy Week to remind us of this. We are taken back in time and are asked to be as the disciples were. To experience the last supper without knowing that this would be the last time we would gather in this way. To wash each other's feet in order to be on service to each other in a way we haven't been before. We have no idea what is to come. We are clueless and in constant denial about what Jesus is telling us. All we know is that we are together in community. We have faith that God is with us. Unaware, as often the disciples are, of how that faith will be tested.

I will stay awake with you. Let us stay awake with each other.

For Justice, Love and Peace,

BETH

THIS WEEK

APRIL 13, MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:00 PM

APRIL 14, GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: NOON,
FOLLOWED BY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, APRIL 15:

11:30 AM: Holy Saturday - Sanctuary

11:00AM- 2:00 PM: Loaves & Fishes

SUNDAY APRIL 16: EASTER SUNDAY:9:30AM

10:45 AM Coffee & Conversation - Parish Hall

11:00 AM: SOS - Scripture on Sunday

11:30 AM: Rebirth Ministries Worship

1:30 PM: Renewed Minds Worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 30: Bishop Chilton Knudsen visits

MAY 12: 7:00 PM: The Big Tent Meeting, featuring
Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Kraushar Auditorium,
Goucher College. Free tickets: [episcopalmaryland.org/
big-tent](http://episcopalmaryland.org/big-tent)

MAY 12-13: Diocesan Convention

JUNE 10: St. Matthias Annual Meeting

OUR PRAYERS

Sylvia Hooper, who is in the Alzheimer's unit
at Stella Maris

Mel Berk, for peace and loving care

Ellen Berk & Lois Johnson as they manage
the transition to one household

Sally Morton

Linda & Geoff Boyd

Dawn Delph, a Loaves & Fishes volunteer
who is facing a court date..

Note from Ann+

I urge you to join us for the Maundy
Thursday service at 7:00PM. It marks
the beginning of a spectacular three
day drama of God's love for the world.
Come back the next day on Friday
(the one we call Good) at noon.
after which there is an opportunity to
follow the Way of the Cross.