

St. Mark's United Methodist Church



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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

*November 11th, 2018
8:15 & 11 a.m. Worship Service*

GATHERING..... *Please take time to pray*

WELCOME

▲ WE WELCOME ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE SHOEBOXES

PRELUDE..... *Dr. Bill Wharton*
“Prelude in C Major” *Vierne*

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold God’s face.

My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, “Where is God?”

I will place my hope in God, my rock and my redeemer.

I will praise the Lord, my help and my salvation.

Come, let us worship!

▲ THE OPENING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress” *page 110*

▲ THE OPENING PRAYER

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Canadian)

We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

▲ THE GLORIA *page 70*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

PSALTER READING

Psalm 42 with response page 777

SPECIAL MUSIC

8:15.....*Jacqui Yeatman*
11:00 *Chancel Choir*

PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYERS & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Offertory Prayer and Voluntary *Dr. Wharton*
“Pastorale” *Vierne*

▲ DOXOLOGY... .. page 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

▲ HEBREW READING

1 Samuel 17: 38-47 page 249
This is the Word of the Lord.. THANKS BE TO GOD!

MESSAGE..... *“The Battle is the Lords”*..... *Barbara Friedman*

▲ HYMN – (Altar is open for Prayer)

“The Battle Hymn of the Republic”..... page 717
(verses 1,2,5)

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Dr. Wharton*
“Postlude in B minor”..... *Virene*

▲ Indicates Congregation standing as able.

“Have a Blessed Week & Say a Good Word for God!”

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S! Before the service begins, you are invited to register your attendance (**please print**) in the attendance pad in the pew.

THE FLOWERS on the altar this morning are presented to the *Glory of God*, in honor of all of the veterans & all the Samaritan purse volunteers & contributors by Dick & Becky VanGilder.

THE NURSERY is located in Room 212 for newborns through 18 months. Nursery Volunteers are available to watch your children only during our 9:30 service. The Nursery room is also available for parents to attend to their child's needs during the 8:15 & 11:00 services if needed. Please see Wendy Avey, Director of Christian Ed if you have any questions or if you would like to help volunteer at any time throughout the school year.

-Those Who Serve -

LAYREADER: Jay Lister. (8:15). Laura Sydnor. (11:00).

HEAD USHER: Mike Butler. (8:15). Ray Kraeer. (11:00).

USHERS: Tom & Marie Davis. (8:15).

Barb Kraeer, Bob Thomas, Bob & Judy Lawrence. (11:00).

GREETERS: Tom & Marie Davis. (8:15). Bob & Judy Lawrence. (11:00).

COFFEE HOUR: Mary Granger, Bobbi Ayers & Judy Lawrence.

SOUND TECH: Keith Dixon.

ALTAR GUILD: Bobbie Ayers.

CHURCH OPENING: Jeff Morton. **CLOSING:** Frank Meyerle.

-Announcements-

DEATH NOTIFICATIONS We have had a request from a member who would like to be notified when a member of our church family has passed. We would like to develop an email list for this purpose. If you would like to be on this list, please contact Karen in the church office either via phone 410-822-0001 or email to: churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY In the United Methodist Church, there are six special Sundays. Through St. Mark's missions fund, our church makes a small donation to each as it occurs each year. **United Methodist Student Day** is one of these & is celebrated each year on the last Sunday in November. Donations here furnish scholarships & loans for students attending United Methodist related & other accredited colleges & universities. There are copies of a small brochure concerning United Methodist Student Day in the gathering area.

THRIFT SHOP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS if you are interested in helping out the shop contact Becky VanGilder 410-822-6769.

JOIN THE SHEPHERD'S CLUB OF ST. MARK'S PRESCHOOL The Shepherd's Club is a great way to "shepherd" the flock of our community's children. We ask for a \$100 donation to become a member. Your name will be listed on our website as one of our generous donors. We used the funds

collected to purchase new items for our classrooms & to provide enrichment programs, such as pumpkin patch visits & Spanish classes, for our students at no additional cost to them. If you are interested in joining, please contact Sarah Ewing 410-822-0078 (stmarkspreschooleaston@gmail.com) or you may place your donation in the offering plate on Sunday. (Please make sure to write Shepherd's Club in the memo field)

MSDE Letter of Compliance #70897

BUS MINISTRY HELP! The schedule for drivers for the Bus Ministry has been completed for the year, but we are still filling out the schedule for Group Leaders (who ride with the passengers to assist them when necessary.) If you would like to be a Group Leader contact Eric Steward at 443-786-4175. We will be having a training session for Group Leaders, soon.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM Pairs & Spares meet in the conference room, The Koinonia Class meets in Meeting Rm 155. Wesley-Yater meets in the Chapel.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES should be available soon!

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN is 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday!

UNITED METHODIST MEN If you are a man of faith and want to help us in our mission of serving Christ & others, we would love to have you join us. Send me an email to earcksonr@yahoo.com & I will put you on our United Methodist Men (UMM) email list. You don't have to attend our meetings to be involved. We are active & alive for Christ. Come & be a part of our group.

THE THRIFT SHOP 410-820-7106 The shop hours are Monday- 10:00am- 12:30 pm, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm. 410-820-7106. Thank you! Lee Royer 410-829-8189.

FOR MEMORIAL OR HONORARIUM monetary gifts please send to Karen Reed's attention. Please do not put in offering plate unless they are in regular envelope, marked with Karen's name. Letters are written to the family so they can be acknowledged.

WE ARE STILL COLLECTING the Box Tops for Education.

MR. FIX IT If you have nagging little things around the house that need fixing, why not call Mr. Fix-It who would be delighted to address your problem(s). Call the Church Office to arrange for this free service.

PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL meets weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. please feel free to join us as we pray for various needs for the church, members & the local community. Please use the pew cards to submit requests for prayers.

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY The Prayer Chain Ministry provides prayer support in crisis or emergencies for church members, loved ones & people in the community. Please call the church office 410/822-0001 & or Contact Sara Lou Casson 410/822-4872 or Betty Fleming 410/822-2216.

-This Week at St. Mark's-

Sunday, November 11, 2018 “Operation Christmas Shoeboxes are due & food for holiday food baskets.”

8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.

9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

3:00 p.m. – Veteran's Day Concert. Sanctuary.

Monday, November 12, 2018

10:30 a.m. – Sorting of Shoeboxes. Fellowship hall.

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

7:00 p.m. – Sarah Circle. Gathering space.

Thursday, November 15, 2018

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir rehearsal. Sanctuary.

Sunday, November 18, 2018

8:15 a.m. – Worship Service. Chapel.

9:30 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. Sanctuary.

3:00 p.m. – Gail Aveson Concert. Sanctuary.

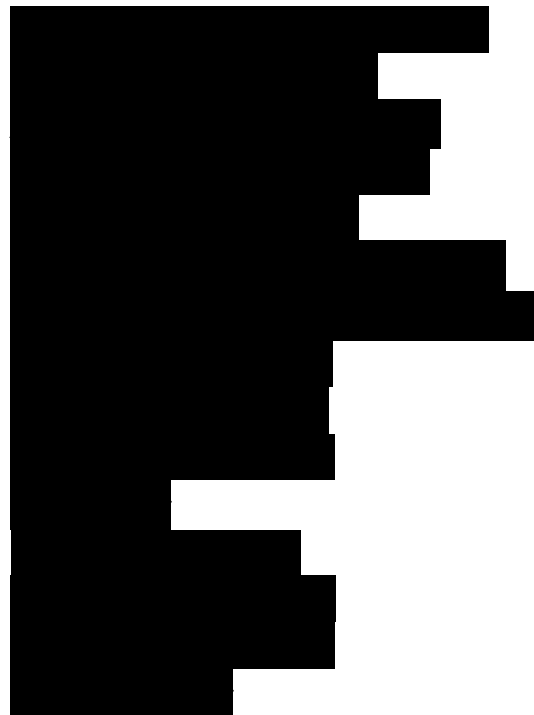
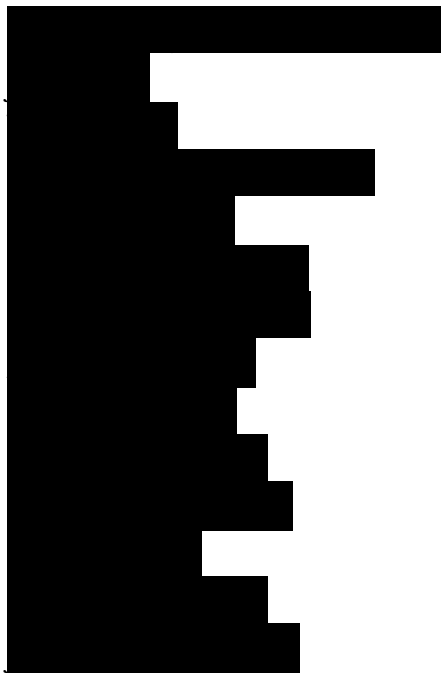
-Let Us Pray For-

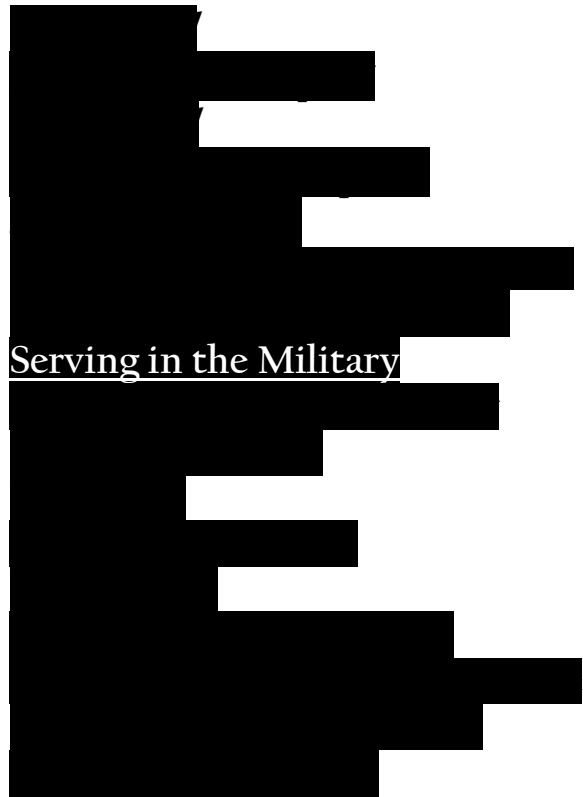
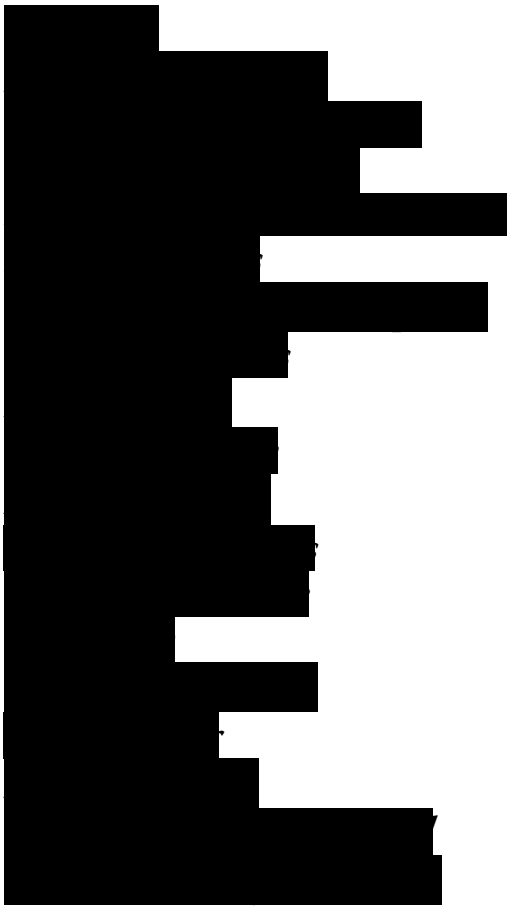
Prayer Focus:

All veterans.

While we all know that being admitted into the hospital can be a stressful time, please contact the

church office so that you can be visited. You are our family & are important to us! We would like your permission for your name to be listed if you are in the hospital.





Serving in the Military

**Charge Conference will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday,
November 27, 2018 in the Sanctuary.**

Box Tops for Education and Soda Can Tabs

How does your TRASH become TREASURE to others?

Box Tops for Education are given to the local schools. Schools receive a quarterly check (10 cents for each box top) to use at their discretion. Easton Middle buys books; Easton Elementary, Dobson furnishes school supplies, coats, shoes, etc. for needy students; Easton Elementary, Moton uses the money for their PBIS (Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports) incentives and events. Last school year they earned a Gold rating for the PBIS work at their school.

Aluminum tabs from soda cans are given to Ronald McDonald House. The money from the sale of the aluminum is used to purchase gas for their vehicles that transport families of the patients to hospitals in the Baltimore area.

Remember that your **Trash** is a real **Treasure** to these organizations, so please bring your Box Tops for Education and aluminum soda can tabs to St. Mark's.

St. Mark's Mission is:

*To share the love of Jesus
with & through the people of Talbot County & beyond.*

<u>Our Worship:</u>	<u>10/28</u>	<u>11/4</u>
8:15 A.M. Worship	59	80
9:30 A.M. Worship	114	110
11:00 A.M. Worship	<u>102</u>	<u>102</u>
Total Worship Attendance	275	292
Sunday School Attendance	89	74

Our Tithes & Offerings (November 4, 2018)

Total Amount Received Last Week	\$	16,296.00
Total for Operations	\$	10,393.00
Total for Maintenance	\$	336.50
Total for Mortgage	\$	2,163.00
Missions Fund (YTD) *	\$	29,208.62
Other	\$	3,388.50
Sunday School Offering	\$	83.00

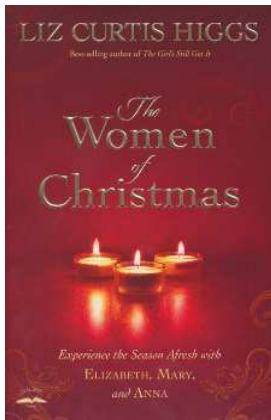
In a move to support your generosity, we're implementing a new way to give. We are really excited to announce that our app is now available for downloading in the app store! Using your smart phone text **stmarkseaston app** to **77977**. You will be sent a link which will direct you to our very own custom app. So no matter where you are you can give anytime! You can also use your computer by going to our website www.stmarkseaston.org click on the GIVE tab and follow the instructions.

Thank you for your support as we continue to grow & impact our community together!

**WELCOME
HOME**

Text "**STMARKSEASTON APP**" to **77977**
to download our app





Book Study

The Women of Christmas Book Discussion

November 26 – December 17,

Monday nights from 6 – 7 p.m.

Wendy Cadell & Amy Steward will lead a book discussion of “The Women of Christmas: Experience the Season Afresh with Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna,” a book by Liz Curtis Higgs, bringing these women’s stories into relevancy in our lives today. The class will incorporate discussions of the Advent

season, unwrapping the personal blessings and the gifts that God gives us every day, and silence, resting in the arms of our Heavenly Father.

A sign-up sheet is in the gathering area. Books must be ordered from Wendy Avey in the Church Office by November 15. The cost is \$10 per book which includes shipping. For questions, call Wendy Cadell at 410-924-2216 or Amy Steward at 410-829-0436.

Church Staff

Rev. Ed Kuhling, Pastor ekuhling@stmarkseaston.org

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Dr. William F. Wharton, Organist

David Cherry, 9:30 Music Director

Karen Reed, Church Administrator kreed@stmarkseaston.org

Erica Kirby, Bookkeeper accounting@stmarkseaston.org

Bill Gunther, Building Superintendent

**ST. MARK'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MEAL &
MID-SHORE COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT**

Reservation Form for Christmas Meal and Concert

December 2 at 5:00 p.m.

St Mark's family will gather together for fellowship, dinner & a concert by the Mid-Shore Community Band on Sunday, December 2, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. We will gather in Fellowship Hall for a delicious meal provided by Old Mill Deli. Dinner will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes & green beans and dessert! After dinner we will move to the Sanctuary for the concert. The cost for the evening will be \$7.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children or \$22.00 for a family. The dinner is open to church family & guests and the concert is open to the public. A love offering will be donated to the Brighter Christmas Fund sponsored by the Star Democrat.

See you there!

Number attending _____ Amount paid _____

Name (s) _____ Telephone _____

Email address _____

To make a reservation: email churchoffice@stmarkseaston.org, or place this form in the offering plate, or mail to the church office.

Deadline to make a reservation is Sunday, November 25.

You can pay for your dinner using PUSHPAY online by using your cell phone

Text STMARKSEASTON TO 77977

Or from your computer by going to our website click on giving tab, click on the Give Online

Add up what dinner will cost fill in the amount select the fund (Christmas Dinner) add your information and your done! It's that easy!



FALL RADA CUTLERY SALE

Sarah Circle's Fall Rada Cutlery Fundraiser for 2018 will be November 4 – November 27. All profits benefit Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence which the circle supports throughout the year. As you know, there are so many victims of domestic violence, & this is our small way of helping with their needs. Since beginning this project in 2005, the circle's contribution to them has been over \$5,000 which includes an initial donation of \$1,500.00 & sponsoring a family each Christmas. In addition, the circle donates pantry items to them monthly. Because of your help, we are able to continue this worthwhile project.

In addition to the many different cutlery items offered, are cooking utensils, soups, cheeseballs, cheesecakes, dips, cookbooks, seasonings, caring adult coloring books, & inspirational books. Catalogs, which include ordering instructions, will be available in the Gathering Area November 5 – November 27. If you have questions, please call Ann Yingling at 410 820 8592 or email ayingling100@gmail.com



Samartians Purse Shoe Box Mission

Today is the day! Blessing of the boxes for Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child. After the 11:00 a.m. service today, your help is needed to transfer the boxes to the Fellowship hall. We will meet tommorow morning at 10:30 a.m. in the hall to prepare them for delivery to our box depot. This is always and exciting time-come join us.

Coming Soon!



Friday, December 7th 6:30- 8:30pm

Come see what life was like the night the Jesus was born.

If your family enjoyed Vacation Bible Camp, you're going to love this event!

Volunteers Needed!

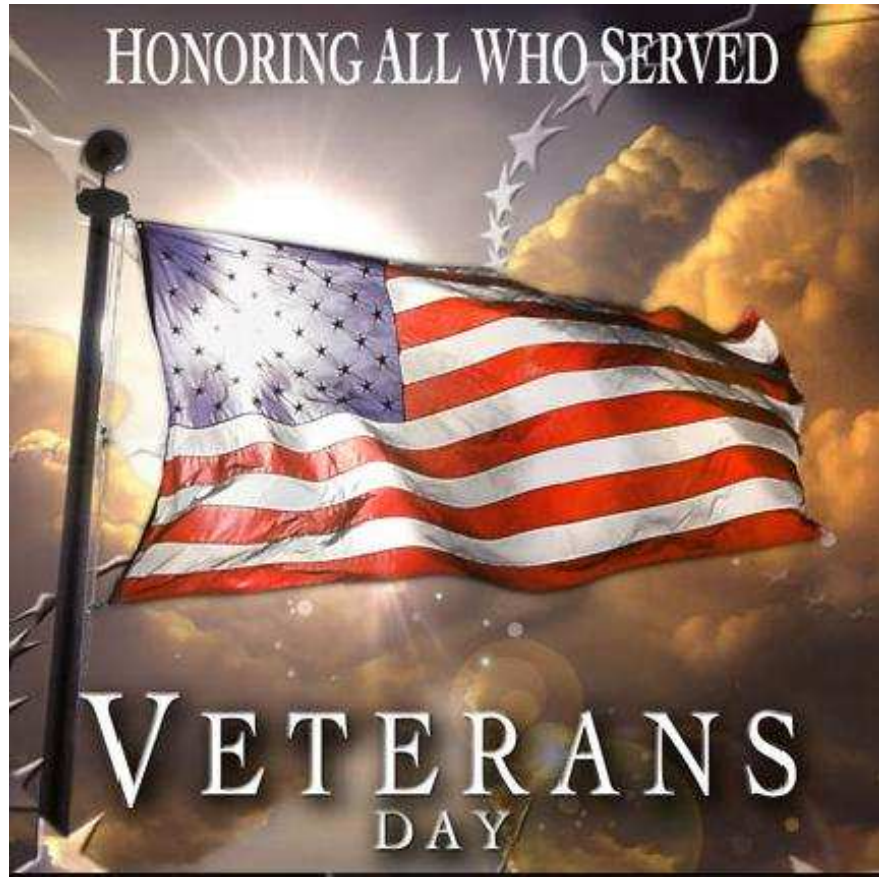
Please contact Wendy Avey @ (410)822-0001 x305

Or christianed@stmarkseaston.org

Gail Aveson will be in concert on Sunday November 18 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Easton for her 50th Anniversary Concert. Aveson, a familiar voice on the Eastern Shore began her solo singing career at St. Mark's during the summer of 1968 accompanied by then dental student Mark Higginbottom. Songs in the concert include her very first solo again accompanied by Dr. Mark Higginbottom, *O Mio Babbino Caro*, *Steal Me* from Menotti's *Old Maid and the Thief* as well as two contemporary duets: *Never/Easy* (Closer Than Ever) with soprano, Debra Smith and *I'd Give it All for You* (Songs for a New World) with Joe Tyler. Also accompanying is Gail's longtime friend and organist at St. Mark's, Dr. William Wharton.

The concert is free to the public and is dedicated to the memory of Mary Bell Callahan.

Today we honor our Veterans!



Thank you for your service!


Tabitha Circle Wreath Fundraiser

*Starting Decemeber 2nd in the
Gathering space.*



*St. Mark's
United Methodist Church*

Presents



*“A Celebration
of Peace
in a time of War”*

*A concert of music and words
to inspire and remind*

Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 3 P.M.

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“This program is funded in part by a grant from the Talbot County Arts Council, with revenues provided by the Maryland State Arts Council.”

