

The Tablet

St. David's Episcopal Church
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Sunday Services:

8 am Holy Eucharist II
10 am Holy Eucharist II & Zoom
10 am Church School

"Human relationships are about communicating. Business jargon should be banished in favor of simple English. Simplicity is a sign of truth and a criterion of beauty."

Helena Rubenstein

When I started at my first call in ordained ministry, I was excited to work in a parish that had lots of tradition and a willingness to try new things. I was about 3 months in (collar still gleaming white) when we began to prepare for the annual Roast Beef Dinner. On the first Sunday in September we announced the signup sheet for tasks was in the narthex, and people should sign up right away. I knew we had a few new members, wanted them to be part of this major event, so I invited them to sign up.

Wednesday Service

9:30 am Holy Eucharist and Healing & Zoom

After a couple of weeks of encouragement, I noticed one family name was missing. They had joined us from another church where they had been quite active. I spoke to them and they said they had been quite happy to work at it but could not find the sheets. "They're hanging in the narthex" I assured them. It was then that one of the parents smiled and said "That's what you said. But we have no idea what 'narthex' means." This was one of several reminders I received that while it might make perfect sense to a cradle Episcopalian, there are lots of things we say and do that are not automatically understood by new members. Also, there are ministries and activities we do regularly that to new participants seem impenetrable. "Like we always do" can be considered community jargon within our parish. Attention to this helps us become more welcoming to all those who step through our doors.

Rector

The Rev. Amy S. Cornell

Deacon

The Rev. Carol Patterson

Pastoral Care

Chaplain Katherine O'Connor, M. Div.

Director of Music

Dr. Brian Katona

Treasurer

John Patterson

Parish Administrator

Judy Henningsen

Stewardship is spoken of in some other religious communities but not in all. It is also something that we engage in and assume everyone has experience with how it works. As we approach this year's Stewardship program, I'd like to start unpacking (well that's a jargon word I don't like!) what it means to the parish of St. David's. The way that the Episcopal Church is set up financially, each tier supports the one above. The national church is supported by 10% donations from all the dioceses, who are supported by 10% from all the parishes, who is supported by 10% donations from all the parishioners. Of course, this has evolved over the centuries, but relying on the engagement of all parishioners allows ministry to continue in the parish. So we ask for everyone who attends St. David's to consider making a pledge for the 2024 year. Commitment can come from any or all of three areas: time, (giving a set amount of volunteering) talent, (sharing gifts that enhance worship) and treasure (a portion of income.) These contributions allow us to staff our church, offer beautiful worship, and keep the basics going, like heat and lighting.

There is a solid connection between what we do for each other and the world around us. By offering our gifts, we give thanks from our abundance and make ourselves good stewards of God’s world. This year, see what our committee has created to have conversations around stewardship. Join in the conversation. Share your own story of what this parish means to you. And prayerfully consider how you can give from your heart to keep this vital community going strong.

Mother Amy



Mother Amy would like to extend a HUGE thank you for all the support at her first 5K run:

“Thank you to all who texted, emailed, called and showed up in person to support me in the Helene Cody 5K Fun Run in Cranbury on September 9th. This was the first time

I’ve ever tried anything like this, and in spite of the horrific weather (hazy, hot AND humid!) I managed to cross the finish line. A special shout out to Neil Wegman, who initially challenged me to try running. His constant nagging – I mean, support and encouragement – helped me take on a challenge I never thought I could achieve.

Along with the support of so many, I want to give special thanks to all who donated to the Deborah Hospital:

Joel Fienstein
Steve and Liz Channon
Mary White
Peter and Kathy Wise
Penny Stout
Jackie Asafu-Adjaye
Carol and John Patterson
Helen Cushman
Lillian Lea
Mike and Kim Duck
Rob and Karla Droste
Bonnie and Neal Wegman

Jon and Renee Christiansen
Judy Henningsen
Barbara and Bob Jensen
Sandy and Paul Szymanski
Doreen Taylor
Leslie Terhune
Nancy Lewis
Karen Wade and Colleen Fitzgerald
Ed Abramovitz
Larry and Pat Kraft
Jennie Herbert
Kate O’Connor

Together we have raised \$1100 for this amazing charity hospital.”

Newcomer Cafe

If you are new to St. David’s and would like to learn more about the church and its ministries, please plan on attending this informational meeting after church on **Sunday, October 15**. Our rector and other leaders will be pleased to introduce themselves and also learn more about you! Grab some coffee and meet us in the Fish Library at 11:30!



Welcome

Newcomer Sunday

Our next Newcomer Sunday of 2023 will be held on **Sunday, October 29**. This is an opportunity for all those who are ready to commit themselves to becoming members of St. David’s to participate in a short liturgy of welcome during our Sunday worship service.

For more information, please speak to our Rector or Maria Taylor.



Prayer Book Donations

Thank you to all who donated toward the new Prayer Books.

The new prayer books were blessed on Sunday, September 10, 2023.
If you would like to take any of the used books home, please feel free to do so.

Jacqueline Asafu-Adjaye

In loving memory of Violet Dixon

Mother Amy Cornell

In loving memory of Joan Cornell

In loving memory of Edward J. Locke

In loving memory of James R. Lenney

Joanne Cornell

In loving memory of Richard, Marguerite and Michael Sandbrook

Zachary Duck

In celebration of my Poppy, Robert Rodgers

Collin Duck

In celebration of my Poppy, Robert Rodgers

Will Guardino

In celebration of my Poppy, Robert Rodgers

Bobby Guardino

In celebration of my Poppy, Robert Rodgers

Pat Hartstein

Carol Hartmaier

Deacon Barbara Jensen

Shirley Kasper

Linda Lewis

In loving memory of Walter R. Lewis

Amy Mansue

In loving memory of Russell & Barbara Beaulieu

David Miller

Fran & Larry Rak

Diane & Arthur Roby

In thanksgiving to the Glory of God

In thanksgiving for my children & grandchildren:

Rachel & Adam Krimkowitz, Henry & Ethan Krimkowitz

In loving memory of Fred G. Hill and Vera Hill

In loving memory of and in thanksgiving to Donald E. Harroun

In loving memory of Alice E. Harroun

In thanksgiving for my sisters and my daughter

Rachel A. Krimkovitz, Susan G. Harroun and Lillian G. Gatto

Marcia & Harry Ruhl

Smires Family

In Thanksgiving

Penelope L. Stout

Spero Family



St. David's October Outreach

Outreach Sunday—October 9



Our October outreach target is Monroe Township Food Pantry. This food pantry operates from the Monroe Township Office of Senior Services, and provides nutritious food items to food insecure eligible families who reside in Monroe Township. Currently this outreach program supports over 100 families each month who face economic hardships. This includes single-parents, disabled individuals, and older adults who are on fixed incomes. Please give generously."



Christmas at Sea

Please continue to bring items in for the Seamen's Church Institute Christmas at Sea program until November 30.

Items needed are the following:

- Unscented, Hypoallergenic Hand Lotion (2-4 oz bottles)
- Sealed Packages of Holiday Sweets
- Books or Activities like Sudoku, Word Searches

- Unscented, Colorless Lip Balm
- Microwave Popcorn
- Sugarless Chewing Gum & Playing Cards

The bin is located in the Narthex.

Renee Christiansen

Cranbury Day



THANK YOU to All the BAKERS for Cranbury Day!

We received rave reviews!!!



In honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis, all are encouraged to bring their favorite furry, feathered, winged, crawling or stuffed friends to our outdoor "Blessing of the Pets Service" at St. David's on **October 1, 2023 at 12:00 pm**. Please make sure your pets are leashed or confined in a crate for their safety, as well as for the safety of others attending. This short service will be held in the side yard near the Memorial Garden. We look forward to meeting your beloved friends, furry or otherwise!



Join us for an afternoon of fun, food and fundraising.
 Gift Cards, Holiday Baskets, Wine Baskets, Items Large & Small
 for all Budgets. Door Prizes & a few surprises are planned!

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\$18 advance sale, \$20 at the door
Credit cards accepted!



2032 FANTASY AUCTION - DONATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE ASAP.

Name _____

Phone # _____

Thank you in advance for your donation! Please note your donation may appear as a LIVE or SILENT Auction item, depending on program space. If there is a *minimum bid* required, please be sure to stipulate the minimum bid next to the value, below.

Please Describe your Donation: _____

Value of Item: \$ _____ If applicable, min. required \$ _____

ALL DONATION ITEMS SHOULD BE AT ST. DAVID'S CHURCH by October 8.



The Deacon's Cupboard

To Love and Serve the Lord as Jesus has asked us to do,
we can feed the hungry.

Weekly donations of food to Rise is an easy way to feed the hungry in our community.

Serving prepared meals at TASK (Trenton Area Soup Kitchen) is another opportunity to help. St. David's is registered to participate at Task on the following three dates:

Monday, November 6
Monday, December 18
Monday, January 8

If you want to serve on any of those dates, you must register on line @

_Group Name: St. David's Episcopal Church

Assigned Group Registration Code: Carol0611

Group Member Registration Url: <https://task.charityproud.org/VolunteerRegistration/?groupcode=Carol0611> (trentonsoupkitchen.org)

I have reserved six slots for each date. So, if you want to participate, please go to the web site above and register. If more people are interested and available, we can add workers....but please sign up right away.

On the preceding day BEFORE our service at TASK, (Sunday, Nov. 5 – Dec. 17 – Jan. 7) we will be preparing a bagged lunch to be given to the TASK guests. All of the lunch contents will be provided WE NEED YOUR HELP IN ASSEMBLING THE LUNCHES after the 10:00 service in Meirs' Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact me!

Abundant Blessings this day and always,

Deacon Carol



ECW Chili Cookoff – Saturday, October 21, 2023. \$5 donation for entry and a vote for your favorite chili. Submissions for entry are to be sent to stdavidscranburyecw@gmail.com. All submissions need: name, main ingredients (or possible allergens) and heat (scovil unit) level. Entries are due by Saturday, October 7th.



BE THE BRIDGE!!

Please join us on Sunday, October 15th as we enter into the 2024 Stewardship season. We're excited to kick off this season of renewal and connection for our church. This season we will explore the many ways our actions today facilitate God's mission for the future. We pray that everyone will be filled with excitement and recommitment to God's Mission for St. David's. Please join us in person or online during this transformative season.

Lunch and Learn



Did you know that there's a wonderful opportunity for the women of the parish to gather together and discuss books? The Lunch and Learn group meets on the second Wednesday of each month from September to June. We start with a book, selected by the group, and conversations can lead to current event topics, personal experiences and a great deal of laughter. It's always a lively and interesting discussion and gives us an opportunity to share opinions in a comfortable place. So consider joining us in the Fish Library on Wednesday, October 11th at noontime. (This is a "brown bag" event, so please bring your lunch.)



Altar Guild Flowers & Candle ORDER FORM 2023

Please mail the form to the office or pay online from the parish website.

Your Name (Given By)

(Daytime Phone Number)

Sanctuary Flowers (\$40 Donation)

Date:

In Loving Memory / In Honor Of

Sanctuary Candle (\$20* Donation)

Check Total = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "St. David's Church"

Lay Participation Schedule for October 2023

10 am

	October 1	October 8	October 15	October 22	October 29
Eucharistic Minister	Steve Channon	Tricia Metzger	Todd White	Leslie Terhune	Edmund Abramovitz
Eucharistic Minister	Corinne Peters	Tracy Smires	Patty Thomsson	Kim Neighbor	Steve Channon
Intercessor	Corinne Peters	Tricia Metzger	Kathy Herzog	Zach Duck	Ray Torres
Lector-1st Lesson	Deacon Barbara Jensen	Tom Reynolds	Brennan Clissold	Leslie Terhune	Edmund Abramovitz
Lector-2nd Lesson	Tom Pearson	Kim Neighbor	Patty Thomsson	Kate O'Connor	Steve Channon
Ushers	Penny Stout Jackie Asafu-Adjaye	John Patterson Obafemi Sonubi	Rich Bailey Dan Smires	Deanna Emerson Bernadette Bruce	David Thomsson Patty Thomsson
Presenters	Joyce Hiscock Penny Stout	Gene & Marna McDermott	Phyllis Robinson Jean Hegedus	Bernadette Bruce Deanna Emerson	Virginia K. Davis Virginia R. Davis
Acolytes	Zach Duck Collin Duck Tracy Smires	Leslie Terhune Patty Thomsson Zach Duck	Zach Duck Harrison Katona Leslie Terhune	Leslie Terhune Kaylyn Eswine Joseph Eswine	Zach Duck Collin Duck Tracy Smires
Verger	Patricia Kraft	TBD	Leslie Terhune	Leslie Terhune	Tena Achen
Counters	John Patterson Mary Ann White	Tena Achen Jennie Herbert	David Thomsson Penny Stout	Winsome Bailey Ber- nadette Bruce	John Patterson Jackie Asafu-Adjaye



All Saints' Day

On All Saints' Sunday, we honor our loved ones who have passed. We need your assistance in compiling a current and accurate listing of these Saints who have gone to be with our Lord. If you would like to add a **NEW NAME** to our current listing, please fill out this form and mail to (90 South Main Street, Cranbury, NJ 08512 or email, office@stdavidscranbury.com) the Parish Administrator in the Church Office by October 30.

All Saints' Sunday -- November 5, 2023

Please include the name(s) of my loved one(s) on the list:

Submitted by: _____

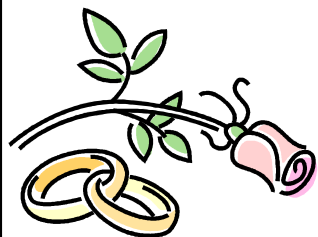
Name Phone Number / Email

October

BIRTHDAYS



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|---|---|--|
| 1 Darliss Eitel
Diane Roby
Hunter Thornton | 13 Theodore Boyer | 22 David Thomsson |
| 2 Justin Durrant
Jeffrey McDermott
Clifton Paul | 14 Renee Christiansen
Nancy Downs
Marcia Ruhl | 25 Leslie Terhune |
| 3 Kyle Mani
Charlotte Thomas | 15 Erik Eitel | 28 Beena Mani-Alexander
Edward Miller III |
| 4 Ross Dubin | 16 Colin Borosko
Virginia K. Davis | 30 Bill Kluxen |
| 5 Ann Marie Miller
Celeste Holcombe | 17 Abigail Clissold | 31 Jean Hegedus |
| 7 James Peters | 18 Ron Herzog | |
| 12 Michael Duck
Vickie Pane
Joy Evans | 19 Amy Reeder DeRose
Lora Inglisa | |
| | 21 Justin Durant
Cassidy Herzog | |



October Wedding Anniversaries

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| 7 Marcus & Brijette Aris
Margie & Ross Shore-Dubin
Gene & Marna McDermott | 20 Rob & Lana Sarchiapone |
| 11 Thomas Christie & Nichole Chobin | |

Board Game Event



The first St. David's Games Event was a huge success! So much fun was had by all that the group decided to make it an ongoing event. They will be gathering in the Fish Library on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 3:30 pm starting October 3rd to enjoy the company of all those who love board games, card games, electronic games...Either bring your favorite with you, or just join in with the ones that are there! Card games like Uno, Phase 10, Cribbage. Board games like Aggravation, Scrabble and Checkers. There will be plenty to play and a great time spent in the company of the community of St. David's. Please join us!

October 2023

Sunday Services *

8:00 am — Holy Eucharist II
 10 am — Holy Eucharist II, Choir, Church School

Room Legend
 s—Sanctuary
 mh—Meirs Hall / fl—Fish Library
 dc—Double Classroom / bc—J2A
 Classroom

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Oct 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) 9:10am BCP Class (fl) 10am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom 12pm Pet Blessing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:30pm AA (mh) 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) 10am Tai Chi (mh) 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) 12:30pm AA (mh) 2:30pm Elms 3 more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Jazzercise (mh) 11am Women's AA (mh) 12:30pm AA (mh) 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 3 more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Jazzercise (mh) 10am Office Closed 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) 12:30pm AA (mh) 2 more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Jazzercise (mh) 1pm Knitters Group (fl) 7pm Pentecostal (s)
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Oct. 1	Noon—Blessing of the Animals
Oct. 9	Cathedral Golf Outing & Dinner
Oct 21	ECW Chili Cookoff
Nov. 4	3 pm Fantasy Auction

St. David's Church welcomes all in the loving Spirit of Christ, through Faith,
Worship, Nurture and Community

St. David's Vestry Members — 2023

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