



The Tablet

St. David's Episcopal Church
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**Sunday Services:
Summer Schedule
(Through & Including
Labor Day Weekend)**

8 am Holy Eucharist I

**9:30 am Holy Eucharist II
& Zoom**

**Beginning Sept. 10th
Regular Schedule**

**8 am Holy Eucharist I
10 am Holy Eucharist II
& Zoom**

Wednesday Service

**9:30 am Holy Eucharist and
Healing**

Rector

The Rev. Amy S. Cornell

Deacon

The Rev. Carol Patterson

Pastoral Care

**Chaplain Katherine
O'Connor, M. Div.**

Br. John Baptist, OSF

Director of Music

Dr. Brian Katona

Treasurer

John Patterson

Parish Administrator

Judy Henningsen

"It is hoped the whole will be received and examined by every true member of our Church, and every sincere Christian, with a meek, candid, and charitable frame of mind; without prejudice or repossessions; seriously considering what Christianity is, and what the truths of the Gospel are..." Statement from Philadelphia 1789, found in the 1979 Book of Common Prayer

How many of us still today feel that September is the start of the school year? Even if I've been out of the academic rhythm for 11 years (and the gap of 20 years before seminary) I still feel the pull toward study. I love to pick a topic and dive down a rabbit hole of learning and teaching, an itch that seems to intensify in the fall season.

This September I will be offering a class on the Book of Common Prayer. Starting on September 17th, we will gather to work our way through this book that differentiates us from every other style of worship in Christianity. The idea of one place to contain all of our beliefs, all of our disciplines and all of our services comes from the Church of England. The earliest concept of a prayer book written and available to everyone came into being in 1549 at the hands of Thomas Cranmer and several of his colleagues. In his book *Commentary on the American Prayer Book*, Marion Hatchett summarizes how this movement developed through time. Services in the 16th century had become "For the People", not "By the People", leading to a sense of worship being a spectator's sport. As publishing the written word became cheaper and more prevalent, Cranmer produced a booklet for the Daily Office, a series of prayer services that could be led by anyone, done with a congregation, or a family, or even by oneself. The "common" element appealed to everyone who had felt distanced from God because the uncommon language of Latin was still in use.

Can you imagine attending a service where you have no structure to follow, no understanding of the words that are said, and no way to even see what is happening for most of the service? By putting the actions and prayers in a way that everyone can understand, the Church of England, and in turn the Episcopal Church, became known as the People of the Book. And it is this book that we will be exploring together. If you know a lot about it, or if you've forgotten most about it, come join in. If you're new to the Episcopal Church, or have been around for a long time, there's lots to learn about who we are in this well-crafted book.

So, join me starting on Sunday, September 17th at 9:10 am between our services for a fun discussion. If you are interested in joining but cannot make that time, let me know and we'll work out an additional gathering time that will work for others.



As you may be aware, Mother Amy is running her first 5K on Saturday, September 9th. She's in need of lots of support! If you would like to support her in this new adventure, please consider holding her in prayer on that day, sending notes of encouragement through email or texts, or being in downtown Cranbury on that day to cheer her on! If you would like to sponsor her, please consider making a donation to the Deborah Hospital of New Jersey. From the website: "Established in 1974, the Deborah Hospital

Foundation serves as the primary fundraising arm of the Deborah Heart and Lung Center, a distinguished medical facility specializing in cardiac, pulmonary, and vascular care located in Browns Mills, Burlington County, New Jersey. Annually, the Deborah Foundation relies on the support of individuals, corporations, foundations, and membership organizations to maintain the life-saving treatments and services offered by the Center. Since its inception in 1922, the Deborah Center has never charged a patient for medical care rendered at its facility at 200 Trenton Road, Browns Mills, New Jersey. While insurance is accepted, patients do not face co-pays, deductibles, balance bills, or any out-of-pocket expenses for their treatment. The Deborah Foundation seeks to relieve the financial burden of healthcare for its patients, so that they may make medical decisions without undue consideration for their personal finances." To donate, please make a check to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, use Venmo revacornell@gmail.com or give the money directly to her. Once the donations are gathered, and the race completed, the donation will be made on behalf of St. David's family and friends.



Board Game Event

St. David's is offering our first (at least in a long time) Games Event on Tuesday, September 19th, beginning at 3:30 pm. We will be gathering in the Fish Library 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.



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, September 13th at noontime. (This is a "brown bag" event, so please bring your lunch.)



**Welcome Back Parish Picnic
Sunday, September 17, 2023
Immediately following the
10 am service**

Please join us!!!

**Volunteers & Grill Masters needed!!
Please see sign up sheet in the Narthex.**



September Outreach September 10, 2023

In line with the theme of “Social Justice” for our outreach in 2023, the September target will be one of the Africa focused charity missions where Rev. Dr. David Williams has a leadership role. The September target will be “Keep Our Girls in School (KOGIS)” in Nairobi, Kenya, which provides essential menstrual products and education to girls attending a private school which operates under the state education curriculum. *Without these products and services provided free these girls would have to drop out of school or else not eat.* This charity also pays for the examination fees for the girls, which their families cannot afford. There are 141 boys and 151 girls attending this school currently.



Thank you for your generous donation of backpacks and school supplies for the RISE kids. We collected 50 backpacks and a ton of supplies. This will certainly assist RISE with the huge efforts they have to support over 600 kids in their summer programs.



St David's Rummage Sale! Saturday, September 9, 2023

Please continue to bring in your gently used treasures! Please bring your items to the 4/5 Sunday School classroom. Questions, please feel free to contact, Phyllis Robinson at phyllis.rob48@gmail.com.

Preferred items include household goods, kitchenware, toys, sporting goods, jewelry, books, CD's & DVD's, power tools, garden tools, video games, purses/handbags, collectables, furniture, games, puzzles, and bicycles/scooters/skateboards. Unfortunately, we are NOT accepting mugs/drinking glasses, clothing or electronics. Experience has taught us that these items do not sell. Thank You!

Cranbury Day



Baked Goods Booth Downtown Cranbury Saturday, September 9 9 am — 4 pm

St. David's will be hosting a Baked Goods Booth for Cranbury Day, as has been our tradition for over 30 years. Please dust off your baking pans and contribute something delicious to sell, help work the booth, or just come out and support your church and community! Please place baked goods in separate bags. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you can help or see or email Kathy Herzog (kathyherzog@princetonk12.org) for more information. This is an important time for us to show who we are to Cranbury!! Please come out and help greet our neighbors.

Back to Church School

Sunday, September 10th



St. David's Sunday School Enrollment Application

2023- 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email Address: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby consent to the use of any videotapes, photographs, slides, audiotapes, or any other visual or audio reproduction in which my child may appear for St. David's Episcopal Church. I understand that these materials may be used for information on the website of the Lifelong Christian Formation Program of St. David's which includes evangelism.

I release St. David's from any liability connected with the use of my child's picture or voice recording as part of any ongoing ministry.

Signed _____

Date _____

Child's name: _____

DOB: _____

Grade as of Sept. 2023: _____

Allergies/Special Instructions: _____

Calendar of Events 2023-2024

Sept: 10, 17, 24

Feb: 4, 11, 18, 25

Oct: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (can wear costumes)

March: 3, 10, 17, 24

Nov: 5, 12, 19

Apr: 7, 14, 21, 28

Dec: 3, 10, 17

May: 5, 12, 19

Jan: 7, 14, 21, 28

Jun: 2



Bring your backpacks, laptop totes, etc. filled with whatever school supplies you have to church on **Sunday, September 10th** for a special **“Blessing of the Backpacks.”** What better way to prepare for the new school year than to carry a special blessing on the tools that will help you learn all of those new things and tackle those new courses.



J2A Car Wash

St. David's Community, please keep your cars dirty and while you are rummaging through the Rummage Sale, or walking down Main Street for Cranbury Day - J2A will make your cars spotless for just a small donation! We hope to see you all from **9am –Noon on September 9th**.



St. David's Annual Fantasy Auction

Saturday, November 4, 2023

Admission: \$18 *(advance sale)* \$20 *(at the door)*

3:00 pm—7:30 pm

Enjoy an afternoon of fun, fellowship and fundraising. Bid on live and silent auction items as well as “tricky tray” treasures while enjoying a delicious meal and desserts.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

MARK YOUR CALENDAR, PLAN TO ATTEND, BRING A FRIEND!

The great thing about our annual auction is that you can participate and/or make a personal contribution in a variety of ways. You can volunteer your time to help set up, clean up, babysit, assist in the kitchen or make an appetizer or dessert.

DONATIONS

Gift certificates to retail stores and restaurant chains are popular as are “theme” baskets such as wine, chocolate and coffee baskets. Auction items such as a spaghetti supper for 10, a homemade dessert each month, or a voucher to have your house or garage cleaned also spark bidding interest.

Please complete a donation form and return it to the office or email it to office@stdavidscranbury.com

2023 FANTASY AUCTION - DONATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE ASAP.

Name _____

Phone # _____

Thank you in advance for your donation! 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 MUST BE AT ST. DAVID'S CHURCH by October 4th.

Lay Participation Schedule for September 2023

10 am

	Sept 3 9:30 am	Sept 10	Sept 17	Sept 24
Eucharistic Minister	Corinne Peters	Patty Thomsson	Kim Neighbor	Kate O'Connor
Eucharistic Minister	Tricia Metzger	Leslie Terhune	Jordan Bailey	Edmund Abramovitz
Intercessor	Tricia Metzger	Zach Duck	Tom Pearson	Edmund Abramovitz
Lector-1st Lesson	Corinne Peters	Leslie Terhune	Jordan Bailey	Zach Duck
Lector-2nd Lesson	Collin Duck	Patty Thomsson	Kim Neighbor	Kate O'Connor
Ushers	Carol Hartmaier Ed Miller	Richard Bailey Dan Smires	Larry Kraft Richard Bennett	Deanna Emerson Bernadette Bruce
Acolytes	Zach Duck Harrison Katona Leslie Terhune	Leslie Terhune Patty Thomsson Tracy Smires	Leslie Terhune Arleen Astudillo Joseph Eswine	Zach Duck Collin Duck Leslie Terhune
Presenters	No Presenters	Carol Hartmaier Jean Hegedus	Bernadette Bruce Deanna Emerson	Virginia R. Davis Virginia K. Davis
Verger	TBD	TBD	Tena Achen	TBD
Counters	John Patterson Penny Stout	Bernadette Bruce Winsome Bailey	Tena Achen Mary Ann White	David Thomsson Jennie Herbert

Upcoming Fall Events!



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!



ECW Fall Festival at St. David’s

Chili Cookoff

Saturday, October 21st

3 pm—5:30 pm

September



Birthdays

Anniversaries

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| 2 Terry Bennett | 22 Todd Kovacs |
| 8 Todd White | 23 Grace Hibbard |
| 10 Brian Katona | 25 Kevin Mani
John Peters |
| 13 Christopher Sgalambro | 26 Chris Cenci
Beau Sawyer |
| 15 Jennifer McKay | 27 Thomas Peters
Joseph Reiss
Deacon Carol Patterson |
| 17 Lillian Lea | 28 Janice Carroll |
| 19 Alexander Jakober | |
| 20 Patricia Thomsson | |
| 21 Michael Sgalambro | |

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| 1 | Chris & Kathleen Cenci |
| 8 | Richard & Susan Jakober |
| 9 | Chris & Tena Achen |
| 12 | David & Patricia Thomsson |
| 14 | Michael & Kim Duck
Larry & Pat Kraft |
| 16 | Steve & Elizabeth Channon |
| 20 | Jon & Julie Harding |
| 22 | Christopher & Susan Palmer
Thomas & Jennifer Reynolds |
| 30 | Keith & Renee Spero |



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"
Attn: Penny Stout

Sunday Services *

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

September 2023

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

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 ● 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom ● 12pm Trinity Community Church (s)	28 ● 10am Office Closed ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s)	29 ● 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Tai Chi (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom)	30 ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 2 more	31 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 11am Women's AA (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 3 more	Sep 1 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Office Closed ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) 2 more	2 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 1pm Knitters Group (fl) ● 7pm Pentecostal (s)
3 ● 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom ● 12pm Trinity Community Church (s)	4 Labor Day ● 10am Office Closed ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s)	5 ● 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Tai Chi (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom)	6 ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 2:30pm Elms 3 more	7 ● 11am Women's AA (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) 2 more	8 ● 10am Office Closed ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 7:30pm P/AG Rehearsal (s) ● 7:30pm AA(mh)	9 Cranbury Day ● 8am Runmage Sale ● 9am Booth Downtown ● 9am J2A Car Wash ● 10am NA Regional Group (s)
10 ● 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) ● 10am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom ● 12pm Trinity Community Church (s)	11 10am Office Closed ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s)	12 ● 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Tai Chi (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) ● 7pm Vestry (fl)	13 ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12pm Lunch & Learn (fl) 4 more	14 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 11am Women's AA (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) 4 more	15 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Office Closed ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) 2 more	16 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am History Group Meeting (fl) ● 1pm Knitters Group (fl) ● 7pm Pentecostal (s)
17 ● 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) ● 9:10am BCP Class (fl) ● 10am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom ● 11:30am Picnic ● 12pm Trinity Community Church (s)	18 ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s)	19 ● 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Tai Chi (mh) ● 3:30pm Game Night ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom)	20 ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 2:30pm Elms 3 more	21 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 11am Women's AA (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 3 more	22 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Office Closed ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) 2 more	23 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm Pentecostal (s)
24 ● 8am Holy Eucharist I (s) ● 9:10am BCP Class (fl) ● 10am Holy Eucharist II (s) & Zoom ● 12pm Trinity Community Church (s)	25 ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm NJGMC Rehearsal (s)	26 ● 8:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Tai Chi (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom)	27 ● 9:30am Holy Eucharist Healing (s) ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 2 more	28 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 11am Women's AA (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) ● 5:30pm Evening Prayer (zoom) 3 more	29 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 10am Office Closed ● 10:30am Jazzercise (mh) ● 12:30pm AA (mh) 2 more	30 ● 9am Jazzercise (mh) ● 7pm Pentecostal (s)

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2023

- Sept. 9 8 am Cranbury Day
Rummage Sale @ St. David's
Cranbury Day Baked Goods
Booth (downtown Cranbury)
J2A Car Wash
- Sept. 10 Regular Services and
Sunday School Resumes
8 am Holy Eucharist I
10 am Holy Eucharist II
Blessing of the Backpacks
- Oct. 1 Blessing of the Pets
- Oct. 21 ECW Chili Cookoff
- Nov. 4 Fantasy Auction 3 pm—7:30 pm

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

St. David's Vestry Members — 2023

Pat Kraft, Senior Warden

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