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NEWS FROM ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Altar Cross given honoring St. David's...



Our missionary to Honduras, Amanda Scott (pictured to the left), is spending four weeks in Copan Ruinas (in the NW of Honduras, location of Mayan ruins) where she is studying Spanish. She has recently been to San Antonio

(pictured below) in Agua Caliente (in the Copan Valley). This small church is up in the mountains on very bumpy, dirt roads. While visiting there, she noticed there was no altar cross. When she met the priest the following week, she asked him if he would like one. She had already met a man, an artisan, who sculpts in wood, so Amanda commissioned a cross for San Antonio! The cross was finished on her birthday, and she gave it as her birthday gift and had it inscribed:

“All for the glory of God and in gratitude for St. David's Church. Roswell, GA”

Amanda wanted us to know that St. David's has a permanent presence in a tiny church with a beautiful congregation in Agua Caliente, Copan, Honduras!



Follow Amanda's blog: <http://hondurasamanda.blogspot.com/>



Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist

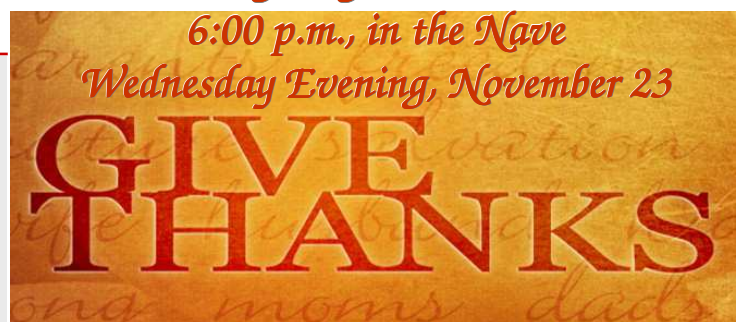
6:00 p.m., in the Nave

Wednesday Evening, November 23

GIVE THANKS

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In the event of a Pastoral Emergency after
hours, call the church office at 770-993-6084,
follow the voice prompt, hit the #6 on your
keypad, leave a message, and the Priest on call
will return your call.

The next issue of the
newsletter will be mailed
on Nov. 30. The deadline
for submissions is Friday,
Nov. 25, 2011.

CALENDAR

○a.m./●p.m.

JFH=Jeffords Fellowship Hall, PH=old Parish Hall

Saturday, November 12 Youth on Fall Retreat

- 8:30 Men's Bible Study-PH
- 10:00 AA mtg.-PH
- 3:00 Judge wedding

Sunday, November 13 Vestry Election

- 10:15 St. David's 101-Rector's offc
- 5:00 Evensong—Nave

Monday, November 14

- 9:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH
- 6:00 Spiritual Direction-PH&JFH
- 6:30 Boy Scouts—Sinclair House
- 6:30 EFM—Bethany
- 7:00 Ballroom Dance—JFH
- 7:30 Brotherhood of St. Andrew-Nazareth

Tuesday, November 15

- 6:30 Bible Study at Dockery's
- 9:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH
- 2:45 Mimosa Girl Scouts-JFH
- 5:00 Lew Marmitons Cooking Class-JFH kitchen
- 6:45 Brain Injury Support Group PH
- 7:00 Caregivers Support-Naz.
- 7:30 Roswell Harmony-Choir rm.

Wednesday, November 16

- 9:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH
- 10:00 H.E. Healing Service-Nave
- 5:30 Wed. Night Dinners - JFH
- 6:30 Wed. Night Programs - JFH

Thursday, November 17

- 9:30 Ladies Thurs. a.m. Bibl Study—PH
- 6:00 Al-Anon Mtg.—PH
- 6:30 Unidad Mtg.-Nazareth
- 7:30 Choir Rehearsal-Choir rm.

Friday, November 18

- 9:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH

Saturday, November 19

- 8:30 Men's Bible Study-PH
- 10:00 AA mtg.-PH
- 7:00 59 & Holding Party-PH

Sunday, November 20 Vestry Election

- 9:00 1st Communion Sunday
- 12:30 Welcome Comm. Mtg.-PH
- 2:00 BSA Venture Crew-House
- 6:30 Sophia's Sabbath-Bethany

Our church calendar is continuously updated
on our website at
www.stdavidchurch.org.

Worship Schedule

- 7:45 a.m.—H.E. Rite I
- 8:00 a.m.—Breakfast in Jeffords Hall
- 9:00 a.m.—Family Svc., H.E. Rite II
- 10:15 a.m.—Sunday School
- 11:15 a.m.—H.E. Rite II
- 1:15 p.m.—Mass in Spanish
- 5:00 p.m.—Evensong (as scheduled)
- 6:00 p.m.—Chapel Mass

Lectionary for Nov. 13

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18,
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30, Psalm 90:1-8, 12

Lectionary for Nov. 20

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24,
Ephesians 1:15-23,
Matthew 25:31-46, Psalm 95:1-7a

SAVE THE DATE!!

St. David's Annual

Advent Quiet Day



"Deepening Your Advent Experience"

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

9 am – 3 pm, old Parish Hall
\$15 per person, incl. lunch

Speaker:

The Rev. Deacon Kathy Holman

Registration: contact Peter Toy, 770-
729-9983 or peterftoy@gmail.com

Attention Ministry Chairs...

Annual Reports are due by Thursday, Dec. 1, 2011. We will email you a template/format to follow for your report. The reports need to be emailed as a WORD file/attachment to linda@stdavidchurch.org. If you do not have email, please call Linda at 770-993-1094, ext. 104, to make other arrangements. It is your opportunity to give, in writing, a report to the congregation of the accomplishments of your group to be included in the Annual Parish Report booklet. Call the number above if you have any questions.

Evensong

Sunday, Nov. 13, at 5:00 p.m.

Evensong, a sung service of Evening Prayer, is one of the most inspiring and beautiful liturgies of the Anglican Communion. It is also a service in which music by the choir has traditionally been a central part.

Come join the **St. David's Choir** and the **Junior Choir** on Sunday, Nov. 13, as they sing for the Evensong. There will be a **reception following the service** in the old Parish Hall. Please join us for this lovely evening of music!

There will be no Chapel Mass service at 6:00 p.m.

St. David's 101 Offered...

If you are a visitor, new member, or interested parishioner, please join us at 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on November 13th for a one-time class of St. David's 101. This is a casual and informative class where we review the history of St. David's, answer questions and take a tour of the campus. Please meet the facilitator, Jan Georges, in the Library located upstairs in the Church office reception area.

Classified:

Alterations offered: St. David's Preschool Mom Jenny Hoynh, owner of Queen Alterations located in the shopping center with Brookwood Grill and Rhodes Bakery, is offering 20% discount to anyone who says they are from St. David's. Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., 770-642-0703, 880 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Suite 180-B. "Helping you look your best for over 20 years"

Wanted—room to rent: Single, 45 yr. old female member of St. David's looking to share space with an older mature female in a Christian home in the Alpharetta area. Employed in Alpharetta area. Please call Licia at 678-485-3780.

DOK Preparation Class Offered:

The Daughters of the King is an international religious order dedicated to prayer and service for Christ's sake. An eight week class to prepare women to join DOK will be offered in January.



The requirements for admission are:

1. be confirmed in the Episcopal Church
2. attend the three month class following the DOK National Study Guide.

If you would like to see if this Order is a fit for your life, please call Betty Dunning at (770) 500-7595. Betty will be the presenter beginning on Jan. 9, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., in the St. Gabriel classroom, just off the old parish hall. All women of the church are invited to attend the meetings.

"59 & Holding" November Social Event

Over 20 seniors braved the rain in October for the first Games and Gab Night. November's social event is a **"Plain Old Party"**. Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share and the beverage of their choice. The party will be in the old Parish Hall, Saturday, November 19, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Coffee and water will be provided. This is a great opportunity to socialize and to get to know some of the newer members of St. David's.



Christmas Flower Dedications



Giving to the Christmas Flower Fund is a lovely way to honor loved ones as we celebrate the birth of Our Lord. The donations are used to purchase flowers, garland, wreaths, greenery, poinsettias, etc. which the Flower Guild uses to decorate St. David's for Christmas. If you would like to contribute to the fund for Christmas flowers, please fill out the special form on the last page of this newsletter. Acknowledgements of all contributions will be published in the Christmas Service bulletins.

WONDER-FULL WEDNESDAYS

The History of Christianity in Britain

Wednesday Evenings at St. David's, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Rev. Kenneth Swanson, Ph.D.

The religious history of Britain is our history as well. Not just because we are Anglicans, but because America values and public institutions have been primarily shaped by those in Scotland, Wales and England. This course will examine the entire scope of religious history in Britain, beginning with pre-Christian paganism to the stresses on the world-wide Anglican communion today. Plan to join us.

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| November 16: | The Creation of the Church of England and the Book of Common Prayer |
| November 23: | No class/dinner (Thanksgiving) |
| November 30: | Catholic/Protestant Conflict and the Elizabethan Compromise |
| December 7: | The Rise of Puritanism and Radical Protestantism |
| December 14: | Richard Hooker and the "Via Media" |
| December 21: | No class/dinner (Christmas break) |
| December 28: | No class/dinner (Christmas break) |

Please join us for the
Wednesday Night Dinners

from 5:30—6:15 p.m. *

Dinner and childcare reservations are required by the Monday of each program week by calling 770-993-1094, ext. 130.

All reservations can be made online at www.stdavidchurch.org.

Please tell us the names of the children and their ages when you register for childcare.

*** Please make note of the new serving time for dinner!**



Celebrate Christmas!

Christmas Eve, December 24

2:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Liturgy
(with nursery: infants - 2's)

4:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Liturgy
(with nursery: infants - 2's)

6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

8:00 p.m. Festive Holy Eucharist

10:30 p.m. Musical Presentation

11:00 p.m. Festive Choral Eucharist

Christmas Day, December 25

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

VESTRY ELECTION FOR 2011

The election of the four new vestry members will take place on two Sundays - **November 13 and November 20** in the main church hallway. This two week period should allow all members of St. David's the opportunity to vote for these very important vestry positions. You will be handed a ballot when you check in with the "poll worker"! You may also vote online by submitting your names in an email to "vestry.election@stdavidchurch.org".

St. David's By-Laws, Article II, Section 2 "Eligibility and Quorum" as amended October 10, 2005

"Those eligible to vote shall be all Confirmed Communicants of St. David's Episcopal Church, in good standing, not less than sixteen years of age. Those voters so qualified and being present at the meeting shall constitute a quorum."



Year-End Reminders from the Finance Office...

The last date that contributions can be received in order to claim a charitable tax contribution for 2011 is Saturday, December 31st. Checks and cash that are received by St. David's after the 31st will not qualify for a 2011 deduction, even if the check is backdated to 2011. However, checks that are written, mailed and postmarked by December 31st will be deductible in 2011.

You may want to consider donating stock to fulfill your pledge. Gifts of stock can provide donors with a double tax benefit. First, you are able to claim a charitable donation on the current amount of the donated stock, not just the amount you originally paid for it. Second, you do not pay taxes on the appreciated value of the stock. Should you decide this is something you might want to do, please contact Cathy Cheatwood in the finance office at 770-993-1094, ext. 120, to get St. David's account number and DTC # required for a broker to broker transaction. This is a fairly easy way to make the transfer without all the paperwork.

Lastly, St. David's appreciates all your contributions. Each individual gift, financial and spiritual, will make a difference!

Operation Christmas Child Box Donations



The youth of St. David's are going to be assembling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child, an organization that delivers shoe boxes full of goodies to needy children all around the world.

In order to make this happen we need your help! We will be collecting a variety of items for the boxes from now until Sunday, November 20th. We need empty shoe boxes and anything off the "Gift Idea" list which can be viewed on the church website at www.stdavidchurch.org! All items can be dropped off outside Katie McRee's office. For more information on Operation Christmas Child, you may visit www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/occ/. Please join us in sharing the love of Christ with children around the world!

“BROWN BAG MONTH”

November is “Brown Bag” Month



Did you know that the food bank at North Fulton Community Charities is named the "Hendree Harrison Food Pantry," in honor of the former rector of St. David's, who was instrumental in the establishment and

growth of NFCC (and St. David's too). **November is Brown Bag month** and we really need your help as the shelves are bare and the need remains as an average of **130 FAMILIES a day** are provided a food supplement once every ten days. Which means the food pantry needs 130 jars of spaghetti sauce, 390 cans of soup, 130 cans of tuna, etc **A DAY**.

Please bring groceries and leave in the blue bin in the mail box hallway.

Below is the list of items needed:

- Peanut Butter & Grape Jelly (plastic jars please)
- Paste Sauce (plastic jars please)
- Children's Fruit Juices
- Diapers (specially sizes 4, 5, & 6)
- Pork & Beans & Baked Beans
- Dry Black Beans
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Meals in a Can (ravioli, beef stew, etc)
- Canned Soups
- Tuna
- Cereal (cold & hot)
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Laundry Detergent (dry)
- Soap & Shampoo
- Paper Products (TP, paper towels)



ST. DAVID'S MEN'S CLUB

St. David's Men's Club Annual Christmas Dinner

December 4, 2011
Ladies are invited!



Join us in Jeffords Fellowship Hall for social adjustments and hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 p.m. Dinner of Lobster Tail w/drawn butter and Beef Tournedos w/béarnaise sauce will be served at 6:30 p.m. Dessert of Bananas Foster, Cherries Jubilee or Crème

Brûlée will follow.

Dinner is \$40.00 per adult. Childcare is available for \$10 per child, and we will have hot dogs for the kids. Family maximum is \$100.00

Please make reservations to lloyd@bowenmcerlath.com or to Lloyd Bowen 404-680-6138, and your check which will confirm your reservation can be dropped off in his parish mailbox.

Men's Club selling Smoked Turkeys!

Smoked turkeys for sale!

The Men of St. David's will be preparing smoked turkeys for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday as a fundraising activity for Jeffords Hall. Turkeys will range from 10 – 12 pounds and will be available for pick up the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, November 23th, between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. The price is \$45 and will be available only through advance ticket purchase. Tickets will be available for purchase Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, or you can contact Robert Ward via email at r_ward@bellsouth.net. Quantities will be limited so buy your ticket early!

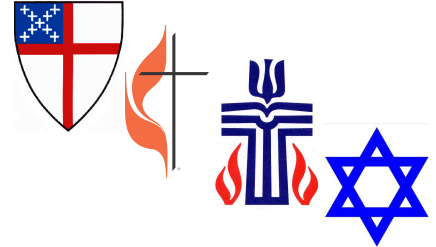


OPEN DOORS, OPEN MINDS

Several Roswell faith communities are planning a program to deepen ecumenical understanding. The goal will be simply to open the doors to each of our houses of worship to welcome our neighbors in an act of discovery of who we are and what we think as religious communities.

Each house of worship will invite up to 15 people to participate in the program for this year, this will be the second year the program has been held. There are five events scheduled for the 2011/2012 session:

- Roswell United Methodist December 4, 2011
- St. David's Episcopal January 15, 2012
- Zion Missionary Baptist February, date to be announced
- Temple Beth Tikvah March 10, 2012
- Roswell First Presbyterian April, date to be announced



Each month the group will visit a different church or synagogue for a worship service followed by lunch and program hosted by the clergy. During this lunch participants will be encouraged to sit with others who are not from their own Church. After some time of being together, the clergy member will facilitate a conversation that will touch upon how they worship at that church/synagogue; how the denomination started; what makes their house of worship special, etc. In concluding, there will be time for questions and comments from the participants. We are looking for 15 participants from St. David's who would like to participate in this program. If you are interested, be in touch with Ken Swanson at kswanson@stdavidchurch.org.

TAIZE WORSHIP

What is Taize and Taize worship?

TAIZE (pronounced teh-ZAY) is a tiny French village in southern Burgundy which became a safe haven during WWII for displaced youth. After the war it developed into an ecumenical center devoted to meditation, prayer, and music. Today this special community continues to be an oasis for Christians worldwide who seek spiritual renewal.

"Taize worship" is a lovely liturgy consisting of simple chants (prayers set to music), brief biblical readings, and periods of silence. Candles create a serene and peaceful environment for contemplation.

The St. David's Folk*mas*ters invite you to experience this gentle form of worship in the Nave on the following dates:

- ✦ Chapel Mass with Taize music: Sunday, November 20, 6:00 p.m.
- ✦ Taize Service: Wednesday, November 30, 7:45-8:15 p.m. (following the Wednesday night program)
- ✦ Taize Eucharist: Sunday, December 11, 6:00 p.m.

For further information on Taize or Folk*mas*ters, please contact Carlyn Romeyn (770) 993-7540.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR DECEMBER 11TH!

 **St. David's
Episcopal Church** 

invites you to the

Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, December 11, 2011
10:15 a.m. in Jeffords Fellowship Hall

Please plan to attend this important
business meeting of our church!



Sunday, December 11, 2011
all morning in the front parking lot
Donors must be at least 17 yrs. of age, weigh at least 103 pounds, and show a
valid photo I.D.



Cathedral Bookstore Sale at St. David's!

The Daughters of the King (DOK) will sponsor the Cathedral Bookstore once again this year on Sunday morning, Dec. 11, in the mailbox hallway. Come do your Christmas shopping early and select from these unique gifts, books, and treasures!

St. David's Preschoolers would like to remind you...



to start collecting food for North Fulton Charities Thanksgiving food drive.

November 13

Canned Vegetables

Green Beans, Refried Beans, Black Beans, Corn, Sweet Potatoes, White Potatoes, Squash, Greens

Boxed Potatoes and Rice

Mashed, Scalloped, White - Brown - Yellow Rice, Boxes or Bags

Boxed Pasta Mixes

Macaroni, Mac-n-Cheese

Boxed or Bagged Stuffing Mixes

Cornbread, Herb, Plain, Bags/Boxes

Bags of Flour, Cornmeal, Biscuit mixes

Wheat, All-Purpose, White

Boxes of Baking Goods

Cake Mixes, Brownies, Pie makings, Cornbread

Cans of Gravy

Turkey, Chicken

Cans of Fruit

Apple, Cranberry, Cranberry Sauce, Pineapple, Applesauce

Place food in blue bin

Please limit your donations to specific items for a Thanksgiving meal.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Flowers and greens for Christmas services are made possible by your generous donations. The amount is voluntary, but the usual contribution is \$25. You may use this form, **sign up online at www.stdavidchurch.org in "Parish Life", then "Parish Services,"** or use the notebook on the chest in the church hallway to sign up in the special section for Christmas Flowers. Return this form with your check made payable to St. David's to the church office.

PLEASE NOTE: The Flower Guild cannot order Christmas flowers until they know how much money is available to spend! They will spend only the amount taken in by donation. Your donation and information below need to be **RECEIVED in the church office no later than Monday, December 12th** to be included in the Christmas bulletin inserts.

Given by _____

In memory of _____

In thanksgiving for _____