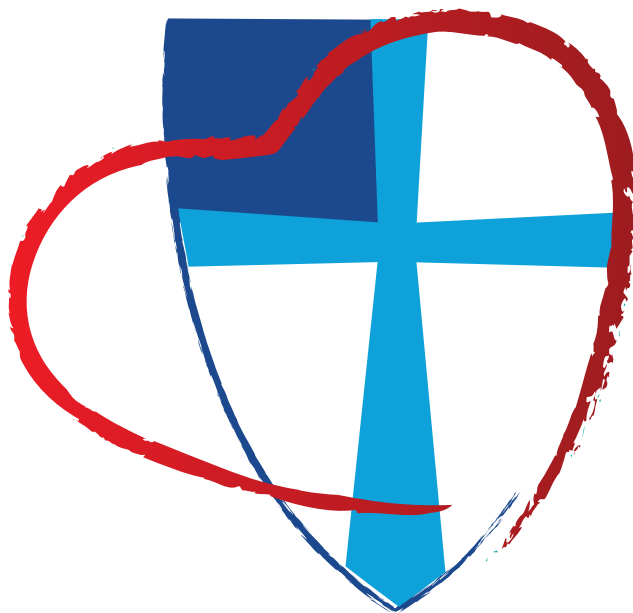


ST. ✚ DAVID'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 31, 2025

7:45 a.m.

Texts for the service are contained in this bulletin and are drawn from the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) or blue Hymnal, both found in your pen.

Please stand, if able, at the opening chimes.

Please pray together in unison.

Said by all in unison.

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Wonder, Love and Praise,
Lift Every Voice and Sing
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Please be seated.

Welcome to St. David's! We are so happy you're with us this morning! If you'd like to learn more about getting involved at St. David's, please fill out the online visitor card using this QR code. You can also complete the visitor's card found in the pew rack and turn it in to an Usher or place it in the box on the Welcome Desk. Thank you for being here and for your offering of praise and thanksgiving.



Nursery: Children of all ages are invited to participate in our worship services at St. David's. Nursery care is also available for infants to 4-year-olds from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Word Of God

Prelude

Nimrod from Enigma Variations

Edward Elgar

Processional Hymn | Hymnal 376

"Joyful, joyful, we adore thee"

Hymn to Joy

Opening Acclamation | BCP page 323

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson | Sirach 10:12-18

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord

plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112 | BCP page 755

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD *
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the LORD.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
**and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.**
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

*Please read responsively by
half-verse.*

The Second Lesson | Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn | Hymnal 440

"Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

Liebster Jesu

Please stand, if able.

The Gospel | Luke 14:1, 7-14

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more

distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon | The Ven. Carole Maddux, Archdeacon

Please stand, if able.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please stand or kneel,
as able.*

The Prayers of the People | Form VI, BCP page 392

The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

*Please pray for Steve,
Lonna, Rosalie, Astii,
Bob, Renee, Benjamin,
Kinsley, Sandy, June, Beth,
Natalie, Connie, Sam,
Katrina, June, Don, Julie,
and Bill.*

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Robert, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

Grant us opportunities to share our faith with others;

Give us wisdom and peace as we offer invitations.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn | Hymnal 665 (vv 1,3,5)

“All my hope on God is founded”

Michael

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II) | BCP page 340

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The Celebrant adds a Proper Preface.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Please stand at the Peace, if able. After the Peace, please be seated.

We will begin the Offertory Hymn seated. At the final stanza, please stand, if able, as the offering is brought forward.

For online giving, please use this QR code:



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The Sanctus | Hymnal S-114

“Holy, holy, holy, Lord”

Healey Willan

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please stand or kneel,
as able.*

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread | BCP page 337

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem | Hymnal S-158

"Agnus Dei"

Healey Willan

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please pray together in unison.

We welcome you to receive communion at the altar. An usher will guide you forward at the appropriate time. If you prefer a gluten free wafer, please let the minister know. If you would like to come forward, but not receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the form of an "X" and the minister will offer a prayer of blessing.

Please notify an usher if you or a family member desire that the Sacrament be brought to you in the pew rather than at the altar rail.

The Distribution

*Please kneel, as able, and
pray together in unison.*

The Postcommunion Prayer | BCP page 339

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing

Please stand, if able.

Closing Hymn | Hymnal 438

“Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!”

Woodlands

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Improvisation

We give thanks today as we welcome into Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

Mia June, child of Alessandro and Michelle Nicole Imperato.

WELCOME to St. David's New Organist and Choirmaster, Mason Copeland

Mason's first Sunday serving at St. David's was August 24. If you haven't yet had a chance to extend a warm welcome, please do so! Mason Copeland is a talented choral conductor, organist, and educator, most recently serving at Central Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. He earned dual Master of Music degrees at Indiana University in Choral Conducting and Organ Performance. For seven years, he served as the Organist and Choirmaster for St. Paul's – Newnan. Additionally, he has also served as Director of Choirs for Northview High School in Johns Creek since 2016. There he was named Teacher of the Year in 2023. While joining our staff team, he will remain on staff at Northview.

In his own words: “I recently moved to Cumming with my wife, Michelle, our dog, Rosa, and my 7-year-old son, Chip. Michelle and I are both advanced open water scuba divers and try to go diving as often as we can! I also love to fish and take on renovation projects around the house.

I'm looking forward to getting to know the St. David's community and making music together in worship!”



Prayer List for Week of August 31

Please Pray for:

Steve Granade; Lonna Tucker; Rosalie Campanile; Astii; Bob Skelton; Renee Howard; Benjamin Alexander; Kinsley Hagen; Sandy Colvard; June Raymond; Beth Jacob; Natalie Smith; Connie Smith; Sam Puckett; Katrina Valuch; June Raymond; Don Hedrick; Julie; and Bill.

We offer prayers of Thanksgiving for those who celebrate birthdays this week:

Anne Bishop; William Bushey; Kennedy Easterling; Gigi Evans; Jackson Evans; Eliza Finarelli; Johanna Hernandez; Anne Bailey; Gene Brooks; Lainey Carroll; Dennis Jane; Lindsay Merrill; Margaret Anderson; Alex Diaz; Landen Head; Linda McCain; John Michelitch; Scott Percynski; Peter Smith; David Wallace; Giselle Castañeda; Tania Estrada; Julia Rexford; Mary Veal; Alexander Villegas; Ward Green; Julie Knop; Thomas Nolf; Joao Ordonez Lopez; Steve Smith; Veronica Diaz; Andie Morgan; Aaron Portier; Jonathan Smith.

If your birthday, or the birthday of someone you know, is missing, please contact the office. We may be missing your birthday information.

Long Term Prayers Asked For: *(this list may only be printed once or twice a month but will be on the church website each week at www.stdavidchurch.org.)*

Phoebe; Jeff Veal; Chanita Johnson; Isaac and Aiden Miller; Kim Thomason; Toby and Kaye Davis; Bruce Walz; Becky and Tom Waters; Gary Hamilton; MaryAnn Evankovich; Linda McMahon; Carole Perkerson; Rich Wilbur; Leigh Thompson; Megan Crain; Sherrill; Susan Kunkle; Emilio Juarez; Joan, Owen and Scott Taylor; Amy Eliza Springer; Sylvia Hine; Sarah Marton; Julie Knop; Nancy Thomasson; Mike Grogan; Stu and Rick Gardner; Bill Regan; Jan Carlson; Dan Smith; Christine Williams; Christian; the Avel Family; Craig; Curtis; Elise Barden Davis; Lauren Caldwell; Marilyn Dougherty; Fay Key; Julia; Kim Venable; Tristen Jackson; Todd Mills; Shirley McBurney; Jessica LeClaire; John Rogers; Malone Williams; Linda Reisen-Reitkoph; Dave Farner; Andrew; Jackie Elam; Mike Lord; Michael; Patty Briguglio; Gabrielle Felder; Brian Heyer; and Sue Farner.

TODAY

at St. David's

Parish Breakfast: 8:00-9:30 a.m., Grace Hall. All are welcome! Suggested donation \$5.

Parish Coffee Hour: 10:15-11:00 a.m., Grace Parish Hall. This is a wonderful chance to connect with fellow parishioners over a warm cup of coffee. NOTE: There is no Rector's Forum this morning. Go to www.stdavidchurch.org to find out how your ministry can sponsor a coffee hour!

Children's Sunday School: 10:15-11:00 a.m. Jeffords Hall downstairs classrooms. Read more about this year's Sunday School plans for children in the "Grow" Section of announcements.

- There is Nursery care for infants to rising Pre-K, St. David's Nursery, (St. Anne's Room) located in the main church building.
- **PreK-2nd Grade:** Jeffords Hall Downstairs, Mercy Classroom.
- **3rd-5th Grade:** Jeffords Hall Downstairs, Faith Classroom.

Youth Sunday School: 10:15-11:00 a.m.: Youth (6th-12th grades) will gather at the bulletin boards after the 9:00 a.m. service and walk to Sinclair House together!

Music Rehearsals:

- 7:45 a.m. - Basement Band rehearsal in the Jeffords Hall basement
- 10:15 a.m. - Adult Choir in the choir loft

If you are interested in learning more about any of these groups, please contact St. David's music department at Music@stdavidchurch.org or Susie Clements at susie@stdavidchurch.org.

Immigration Workshop: 2:30-3:30 p.m., Jeffords Fellowship Hall, front half.

THIS WEEK

at St. David's

- Monday (1st)**.....**Men's Pub Night** – 7:00-9:00 p.m., Mac McGee's Irish Pub on Canton Street. Contact Jonathan Golden: jonathan@drinkcoffeedogood.com.
- Tuesday (2nd)**.....**Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study** – 6:30 a.m., virtual. Contact Ron Felder: ron.felder@gmail.com.
-**Pickleball** – 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jeffords Hall. Contact Mike Dougherty: m.dougherty02@gmail.com.
- Wednesday (3rd)**.....**Yoga** – 10:30-11:30 a.m., Front Half of Jeffords Hall. Contact Mary Veal: mdelucciaveal@comcast.net.
-**Evangelism Committee Meeting** – 5:00-7:00 p.m., Bethany Room. Contact Janet Conrad: JanetConrad1215@outlook.com.
-**Journey with Jesus** – 7:00-8:30 p.m., Jerusalem Room. Contact Kathy Holman: kdh53@comcast.net.
- Thursday (4th)****St. Francis Burrito Ministry** – 8:00 a.m., Jeffords Hall Kitchen. Contact Tom Ader: thomas.ader@yahoo.com.
-**St. David's Choir Rehearsal** – 7:00-9:00 p.m., Nave, Choir Loft. Contact Mason Copeland: music@stdavidchurch.org.
- Friday (5th)****Six Mercies** – 1:00-3:00 p.m. St. David's Office. Contact Jan Georges: jtimothyjanet@bellsouth.net.
- Saturday (6th)**.....**Saturday Men's Bible Study** – 8:30-9:30 a.m., Grace Hall. Contact Chris Burpo: cburpo@mindspring.com.

INVITATION SUNDAY September 7!

ST. DAVID'S
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Every Sunday is an opportunity to invite someone to St. David's. **Invitation Sunday** is a special day where we're all encouraged to reach out and bring friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, or even those we've just met, to experience the life of our church.



Our guests might include those not regularly attending church, people seeking a spiritual home, individuals looking to connect to community, prior members who've been away.

Mark your calendar... Pray about who you'll invite... Join us in welcoming others In Jesus' love.
Need Help Inviting Someone? We've got tips and inspiration! Visit www.stdavidchurch.org to watch helpful videos featuring personal stories from others who've extended invitations—and don't miss Maggie DeCan's expert advice on how to share your own invitation with confidence.

Small Group Study: "Knit Together in Love—Why

Christian Community Matters": Beginning September 14. **Registration deadline is coming up soon—Tuesday, September 2!** This new curriculum written by Fr. Remington will help participants learn about the capacity of Christian community to foster spiritual growth, build resiliency, and participate in God's healing work. Coordinated with Sunday morning classes and sermons, participants take a deeper look into sacred art and practice of fellowship, while growing their own heart-to-heart connections. If you are interested in joining a Knit Together group, please go to www.stdavidchurch.org, the Upcoming Events section, to complete the **interest/registration form by September 2**. Groups will begin meeting the week of September 14. If you have any questions, reach out to Director of Parish Life, Rebecca Cline, rebecca@stdavidchurch.org.

Rector's Forum: New Series Beginning in

September. "The Human Community vs The Human Condition", September 14, 21, and October 5, 10:15-11:00 a.m., Jeffords Fellowship Hall, front half. From the first humans through the primordial stories of Genesis, the Bible paints a picture of God's design for human community and the fractured condition of human relationships. Join The Rev. Remington Slone in this exploration of the Biblical stories about the Human Community, the Human Condition, and God's mission to restore us. Questions? Contact Remington Slone, rs lone@stdavidchurch.org. For a complete list of Rector's Forum topics, go to www.stdavidchurch.org to the Blog post on "Adult Faith Formation" at the bottom of the page.

Walk in Love: Episcopalian Beliefs and Practices:

September 10, 17, and 24, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Grace Hall. Instructed Eucharist on October 1, 6:00-7:00 in the Church. Join The Rev. Remington Slone in a four-week discussion about the history, beliefs, and practices of The Episcopal Church. This course is great for those seeking to learn more about our

tradition, for those who are desiring to be confirmed or received into The Episcopal Church, and for those who are looking to refresh their engagement in our way of being together. Meetings will be hybrid, meeting weekly in Grace Hall and Zoom, beginning Wednesday, September 10. The series will conclude with an Instructed Eucharist in the Nave, but remote attendance is available. To register, go to www.stdavidchurch.org, the Upcoming Events section. If you have questions, please contact Remington Slone, rs lone@stdavidchurch.org.

Conversational Spanish: September 15 to October 15

(5 weeks), Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jeffords Hall, Faith Classroom. Are you interested in learning basic, conversational Spanish in a classroom setting this Fall? This will equip us to converse better with parishioners and neighbors whose first language is Spanish. The teacher will be Marie-Helene de Noailles, who has extensive instructional experience, most recently with the Atlanta Language Institute and the Latin American Association.

There will be a \$200.00 course fee to cover instruction and materials; scholarships, full or partial, are available. If you have questions, contact Brit Taylor, btaylor603@gmail.com. Use this QR code to register.



Thursday Morning Bible Study: Thursdays, beginning

October 9, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Jeffords Fellowship Hall. The Thursday Morning Bible Study invites everyone to attend their special seven-week class in the Fall—the fascinating tale of the Book of Esther. Hers is a tale of danger and courage. You don't have to be a Bible expert to enjoy this class. We laugh, hug, drink coffee, and study—and we have a place for you! The class is free and is also available as a live Zoom chat or as a YouTube lesson. Please go to www.stdavidchurch.org for more information. Questions? Contact Kim Freeman, kimfreeman828@bellsouth.net. Come journey with us. All are welcome!

SERVE

with us St. David's

As we journey together in love and grow in faith, we are continually inspired by the call to serve others—living out the example set by Jesus. We invite you to discover the many ways you can make a meaningful impact through service, both at St. David's and in the broader community. Below are some of our current volunteer opportunities. For a full list and detailed descriptions, please visit www.stdavidchurch.org.


St. David's Choir Retreat: Saturday, September 13, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Join us for a day of music, fellowship, and worship! We'll gather as a choir to enjoy focused rehearsal time, meaningful fellowship, and a special celebration of Holy Communion. Lunch will be provided. All choir members are strongly encouraged to attend — and if you've been thinking about joining the choir, this is a great time to get involved! For more information, contact Choirmaster Mason Copeland, music@stdavidchurch.org.

NFCC Food Pantry Collection for August: Regular size toiletries such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, etc. Most of us consider toiletries a basic necessity, not a luxury! Can you imagine not being able to purchase basic personal hygiene items? Please help someone who is struggling to afford these basics by adding an item to your weekly shopping. Please bring it and drop it in the NFCC collection baskets, and we'll take it from there! Thank you, St. David's!

Serve the Parish Through Men's Club Breakfast

Team: We are seeking volunteers to join our breakfast teams to help cook breakfast and serve the parish on Sunday mornings. There are six teams that cook every six weeks or approximately 8 to 9 times a year. Cooking experience is not required. There are plenty of other non-cooking tasks such as set up, making coffee, preparing fresh fruit, clean up, etc. Breakfast is served each Sunday from 8:00-9:30 a.m., which means the teams generally serve from 7:00-10:00 a.m. The breakfast teams are not just limited to the men of the church. We take all volunteers including youth looking to earn volunteer hours. If you are interested, please contact Robert Ward via email at rward0860@gmail.com.

Flower Guild: Come See How We "Bloom"! If you have an interest in joining the Flower Guild, you are warmly invited to observe the process of creating the weekly floral arrangements. Dates are Saturdays 9/20 or 9/27, at 10:00 a.m. in the sacristy. You are also invited to our annual meeting on Sunday, 9/28 at 10:00 in the back half of Jefford's Hall. Please notify Bess Allen, bess.b.allen@gmail.com, or Karen Marshall, karenjmarshall27@gmail.com that you would like to join us!



First pitch
7:15 p.m.

Seats:
section 424

Price: \$40

ST. DAVIDS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Night @ the Braves!

Friday, September 26, 7:00 p.m.

Join St. David's parishioners at Truist Park to cheer on the Braves as they take on the Pittsburgh Pirates.

To purchase tickets:

1. go to www.stdavidchurch.org
2. scroll down to Upcoming Events
3. click the link

Questions? Contact Gary Dunsmore, gduns@comcast.net

Sunday Night at St. David's: September 7, 5:00-6:30

p.m. There are group activities for children and Youth and opportunities for parents and adults to gather with a focus on connection, faith, and fellowship.

Children/Youth Groups and Activities:

- St. David's Nursery for infants-3 years old
- EpiscoPUPs, children PreK-1st grade
- EpiscoPALS, children 2nd-5th grade
- EYC for middle and high school age Youth

Adult Groups:

- WOW (Women of Wonder) for moms of young and school age children.
- DADs (Disciples at David's) for dads of young and school age children.
- SN@SD: Apps with Friends! (That's short for appetizers with friends, not phone apps!) We're excited to announce a new addition to Sunday Nights at St. David's! We're expanding to include a monthly casual social gathering just for adults. Bring an appetizer and BYOBeverage (adult beverage or other). Want to join the fun? Reach out to Janet Conrad, JanetConrad1215@outlook.com.

Questions? Contact Judy Hine, Director of Children's Ministries, judy@stdavidchurch.org; or Karen Juarez, Director of Youth Ministries, youth@stdavidchurch.org.

Young Adults Social: Friday, September 12, 7:00-10:00

p.m. Roswell Junction, 340 S Atlanta St, Roswell, GA 30075. Are you a young professional looking to connect with others at St. David's and to be a part of a welcoming community of young adults? We're kicking off a brand new group in our parish and would love for you to be part of it! Join us at Roswell Junction – grab a bite, meet some new faces, and help us dream up what this group could look like as we grow together. Whether you're new to the church or just looking for a deeper connection, come as you are and maybe even bring a friend! Go to www.stdavidchurch.org for more information or to RSVP. Questions? Contact Grace Ross, grace@stdavidchurch.org.

St. David's Family Night Out at the Braves: Friday,

September 26, 7:00 p.m. Truist Park. St. David's Men's Club invites you to our Annual Family Night at the Braves, to help cheer on the Braves as they face the Pittsburgh Pirates! The first pitch is at

7:15 p.m. Our seats are in Section 424 and are \$40 a piece. For more information, contact Gary Dunsmore: gduns@comcast.net. To purchase tickets, use this QR code.



Connections Café: Sunday, September 21, 10:15-11:00

a.m., St. Gabriel Room. Visitors and Newcomers to St. David's are invited to Connections Café to grab breakfast, ask questions, learn more about St. David's, and have a quick tour of our buildings! If you are unable to attend, the next Connections Café will be held on Sunday, October 12. Questions? Contact Rebecca Cline, rebecca@stdavidchurch.org.

Finance Office – Customized Pledge Envelopes:

Each year St. David's offers the choice of using customized pledge envelopes, with your pledge number on them, for your pledge donations. Please note that these envelopes are not required and are not necessary for your pledge to be accurately counted. However, if it is a convenience that you like to use, it's time to order for 2026. Please contact the Finance Office, finance@stdavidchurch.org, or call 770-993-6084 x120, to order. Thank you! Questions? Contact Claudia Bernal at the finance email.

Run With the Rector! Team Maggie's Dream

5k/10k. Saturday, September 13, start times vary depending on your registration. This run/walk helps provide financial assistance to harvest and preserve eggs/sperm from cancer patients whose treatment can result in life-long infertility. Fr. Remington is signed up, so come on out and run with him – or, walk at the back with others from St. David's. You can read more in this week's Illuminations. Or go to this link to learn more or to register: <https://runsignup.com/Race/GA/Roswell/teammaggie5k10k>.

Women's Retreat: Save the Date for November

2026! Our Annual Women's Retreat is being postponed until November 13-15, 2026. Our retreat had been falling on many schools' fall break, and we were missing our young moms! In planning ahead for NEXT year, our hope is to have women, young and old, join us for a weekend of fellowship, bonding, and soaking in Christ's love for us so that we can come back with a rested and renewed spirit. Same great location, St. Mary's Retreat Center in Sewanee, Tennessee.



Knit Together in Love: Why Christian Community Matters

www.stdavidchurch.org

Fall Fellowship Small Group Study

A new curriculum written by Fr. Remington that will help participants learn about the capacity of Christian community to foster spiritual growth, build resiliency, and participate in God's healing work.

Beginning September 14.

Small groups of 6-10 people.

Each group sets its own meeting day/time/place.

6 sessions with 2 optional wrap-up sessions.

If you are interested in joining a Knit Together group, please go to www.stdavidchurch.org, the **Upcoming Events** section, to complete the interest/registration form by September 2.

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SUNDAY NIGHT @ St. DAVID'S

5:00-6:30 p.m.

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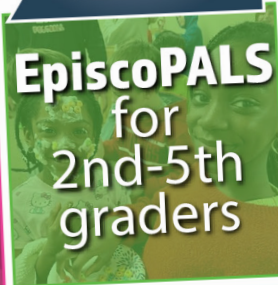
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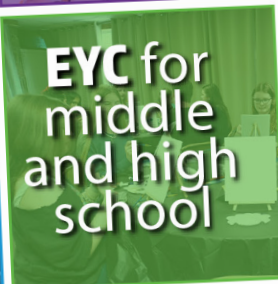
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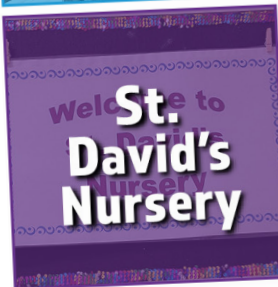
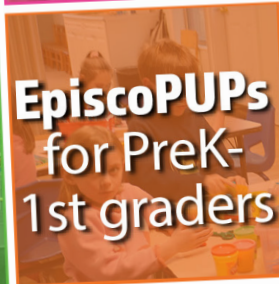
**EpiscoPALS
for
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**EYC for
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David's
Nursery**



**WOW
(Women
of
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**NEW
SN@SD:
Apps with
Friends**



Fun, Food, and Fellowship for all ages!

For more information, go to www.stdavidchurch.org.

New group for
adults -
Appetizers
with Friends!

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Kay Anderson	Bo Avel	Shawn Allen
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