

# August 31, 2025 The twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

**7:45 a.m.** – Worship Service with Holy Communion, Rite I

Traditional Language. In the Nave.

• Click here for link to 7:45 a.m. Bulletin

8:00-9:30 a.m. –
Parish Breakfast in
Grace Hall.

Suggested donation of \$5.

9:00 a.m. – Family Service with Holy Communion, Rite II Childcare is available. Children's Chapel. Contemporary music provided by St. David's Basement Band.

• Click here for link to 9:00 a.m. Bulletin

10:15-11:00 a.m. – Formation (Sunday School) and Coffee Hour

- Children's Sunday School (PreK to 5th grade) in downstairs Jeffords Hall.
- Youth Sunday School (6th-12th grades) at the Sinclair House.
- Parish Coffee Hour in Grace Hall.

**11:15 a.m**. – Worship Service with Holy Communion, Rite II

Childcare is available. Traditional Music with the St. David's Choir.

- Click here for link to 11:15 a.m. Bulletin
- Click here for link to the Livestream

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#### **Music Rehearsals This Sunday**

- 7:45 a.m. Basement Band Rehearsal in 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 the music department at <a href="Music@stdavidchurch.org">Music@stdavidchurch.org</a> or Susie Clements at <a href="Susie@stdavidchurch.org">Susie@stdavidchurch.org</a>. All are invited and welcome to get involved.



### Welcome to Our New Organist and Choirmaster, Mason Copeland!

Sunday, August 24, was Mason's first Sunday serving at St. David's. It was a great first Sunday, and we were very glad to meet his wife and son and get to know them a little better.

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!"

#### **Grow This Sunday**

#### **Children and Youth Sunday Morning**

Children's Sunday School: 10:15-11:00 a.m.

- PreK to 2nd grade Mercy Classroom, Jeffords Hall downstairs.
- 3rd to 5th graders Faith Classroom, Jeffords Hall downstairs.

**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 go to Sinclair House together.

**Nursery Care for infants to 3-years-old,** 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The Nursery is located in the back hall, opposite side of the courtyard from the Sanctuary. Or feel free to ask the

Greeters at the Welcome Desk or an Usher for directions.

#### **PARISH COFFEE HOUR**

10:15-11:00 a.m., Grace Hall

Join us for St. David's Parish Coffee Hour in Grace Hall. This is a wonderful chance to connect with fellow parishioners over a warm cup of coffee—and even more, it's an opportunity for ministries to share their story, build community, and inspire others!

Ministries are invited to sponsor a Coffee Hour to spread the word about the great work they're doing. What does sponsorship mean? St. David's will provide the coffee and tea with all the fixin's, you provide a treat to share. We will have a table to showcase your Ministry's impact and provide information about how parishioners can get involved. This will be a casual environment to build relationships, have conversations with, and meet new people!

If you would like to see which Sunday's are available or to sign up to sponsor, click the link below. Questions? Contact **Rebecca Cline**.

Sign Up to Sponsor Coffee Hour

The Rector's Forum, with a new format and new curriculum will begin September 14 in the front half of Jeffords Fellowship Hall. **NOTE: There will not be a Rector's Forum in the month of August.** 

#### **Grow**

#### Small Group Study: "Knit Together in Love-Why Christian Community Matters"

Beginning September 14. Deadline to register is 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 click the link below 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.

Interest/Registration Form

New Rector's Forum Series:
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.

Upcoming Fall Rector's Forums:

- September 28: **"Sabor Latino"** (Latin Flavor). Presented by Madre Mimi Guerra. Come enjoy a taste of Latin flavor at our church event!
- October 19, 26 and November 2, 9. **Meals as Mission in the Church.** The Church of the New Testament and the Early Church understood meal-sharing as central to its mission. Led by Fr. Remington Slone.

#### 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. If you have questions, please contact Remington Slone.

Click Here to Register

#### **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.

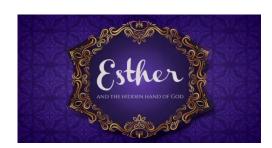
The class plan will combine in-person classroom experience with Spanish immersion through attendance at Saint David's Santa Misa en Espanol and the following coffee hour. The teacher will be Marie-Helene de Noailles, who has extensive instructional experience, most recently with the Atlanta Language 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.

Your registration signifies your intention to attend all ten classes and to participate in at least two emersion experiences. If you have questions, contact <u>Brit Taylor</u>.

Click Here to Register

#### Thursday Morning Bible Study Thursdays beginning October 9 10:00 - 11:30 a.m., Jeffords 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. This is the Old Testament "made understandable"! Esther is the incredible true story of the survival of God's people amid hostility in the Persian Empire. Esther is a beautiful Jewish orphan who becomes Queen of Persia and is used by God to save her people from extermination. Interestingly, the name of God is not mentioned once in this beloved Old Testament book, yet God's providential care is intertwined all through her dramatic story! 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!

Join us in Jeffords Hall from 10:00-11:30 a.m. beginning Thursday, October 9. The class is free and is also available as a live Zoom chat or as a YouTube lesson. If you are interested, please contact <u>Kim Freeman</u>.

Come journey with us. All are welcome!

Click Here to Register

## Who Are YOU Inviting? Invitation Sunday @ St. David's

Every Sunday is an opportunity to invite someone to St. David's — but **Invitation Sunday** is a special day where we're all encouraged to reach out and bring friends, family, neighbors, coworkers, 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

This is our chance to extend the love of Christ and share the warmth, joy, and message of our St. David's family.

Mark your calendar... Pray about who you'll invite... Join us in welcoming others into Jesus' abundant love.

Hospitality is key. On Invitation Sunday, let's make sure every guest feels seen, valued, and warmly welcomed. Let's fill the pews and fill hearts! Questions? Contact Rebecca Cline, Director of Parish Life.

**Need Help Inviting Someone?** We've got tips and inspiration! Watch this helpful video featuring personal stories from others who've extended invitations. Or, click the link below to get Maggie DeCan's expert advice on how to share your own invitation with confidence.

Finally, <u>click here</u> to go to the Invitation Sunday blog on our website and share this with those you would like to invite.



Maggie DeCan - How to Be Invitational!

#### Serve

As we walk together in love and deepen our faith, we are continually reminded of the importance of serving others—living in alignment with the teachings of Jesus.

We warmly invite you to explore the many ways you can make a difference through service, both within St. David's Church and throughout our wider community. Below are several current volunteer opportunities. To view a full list and detailed descriptions of all service options, please <u>click here</u>.

Join us in serving with and among our neighbors as we walk together in love and seek to follow Jesus.

#### St. David's Choir Retreat Saturday, September 13 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Location: Choir loft for rehearsal and Grace Hall for lunch. 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.

#### **NFCC Food Pantry Collection for August:**

Regular Size Toiletries Like Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothpaste.

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. On average, we serve approximately 50+ parishioner's each week plus assist with the Sunday morning coffee stations.

Cooking experience is not required. There are plenty of other non-cooking task 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.

#### 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 Fellowship Hall.

Please notify Bess Allen or Karen Marshall if you would like to join us!

#### **Connect**



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

All are welcome to join in! There are group activities for children and Youth and opportunities for parents and adults to gather with a focus on connection, faith, and fellowship.

**New This Fall: Adult Group "SN@ SD: Apps with Friends!"** (That's short for Appetizers with Friends—not phone apps!) Join us for a time of fun, food, and fellowship! Whether you're young at heart or young in years, everyone is welcome. Come connect, share some laughs, and enjoy delicious appetizers with friends, old and new. For more information about this group, please contact Janet Conrad.

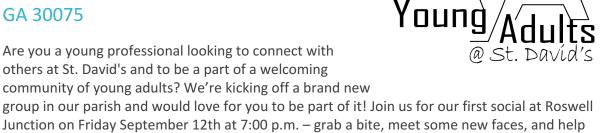
<u>Click here</u> to go to St. David's website and read about all the children and adult group activities and offerings. We look forward to seeing you there!!

Questions? Contact <u>Judy Hine</u>, Director of Children's Ministries or <u>Karen Juarez</u>, Director of Youth Ministries

Do you have an idea for a new Sunday Night group? Please reach out to <u>Rebecca Cline</u>, Director of Parish Life. We are excited to walk in love and grow deeper together.

#### **Young Adults Social**

Friday, September 12, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Roswell Junction, 340 S Atlanta St, Roswell, GA 30075



group in our parish and would love for you to be part of it! Join us for our first social at Roswell Junction on Friday September 12th at 7:00 p.m. – 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! Click below to RSVP. Questions? Contact <u>Grace Ross</u>.

**RSVP** 

#### Run With the Rector! Team Maggie's Dream 5k/10k

Team Maggie's Dream is a victory run celebrating a success story. Then-Roswell resident Maggie Davis was 24 years old when her breast cancer was diagnosed. One of the added

burdens for a young person is the fact that life-saving cancer treatment could result in life-long infertility. *Team Maggie's Dream* helps provide financial assistance for the harvesting and preservation of eggs and sperm before patients undergo cancer treatment.

You and your family can be part of this life-giving effort and enjoy a morning of sunshine along the Chattahoochee. Maggie and her daughter run it with us, which is so exciting! Fr. Remington is signed up, so come on out and run with him – or, walk at the back with a lot of us.

On Saturday, September 13, choose the 5k or the 10k. Run or walk, it's a delightful course along the river with lots of fun eats at the end. Click the link below to register.

Register for Team Maggie's Dream

#### **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.

### Night @ the Braves!

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



## **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 <u>Gary Dunsmore</u>. Click below to purchase tickets.

Click to buy tickets

#### **Finance Office – Custom Pledge Envelopes**

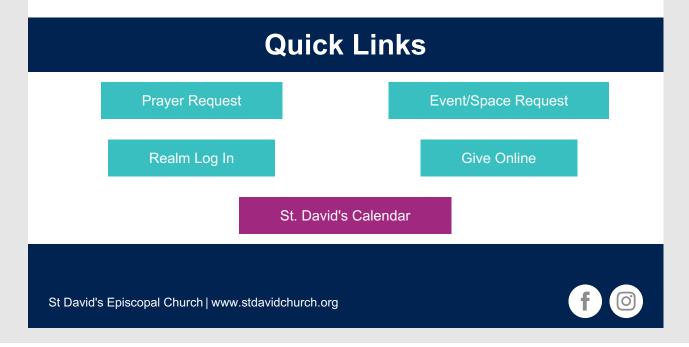
Each year St. David's offers the choice of using customized pledge envelopes, with your pledge number on them, for your pledge donations. Please note that these envelopes are not required and are not necessary for your pledge to be accurately counted.

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.

## 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 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.



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