

# LAMPLIGHTER

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST. DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH DECEMBER 2025

## St. David Lutheran

### December 2025

#### **Wednesday, December 3**

**7:00 pm—Advent Vespers**

#### **Sunday, December 7—Second Sunday of Advent**

**9:30 am—Sunday School**

**10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion**

#### **Wednesday, December 10**

**7:00 pm—Advent Vespers**

#### **Sunday, December 14—Third Sunday of Advent**

**9:30 am—Sunday School**

**10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion**

#### **Wednesday, December 17**

**7:00 pm—Advent Vespers**

#### **Sunday, December 21—Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**9:30 am—Sunday School**

**10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion**

#### **Wednesday, December 24—Christmas Eve**

**7:00 pm—Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion**

#### **Sunday, December 28—First Sunday of Christmas**

**9:30 am—Sunday School**

**10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion**

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**A caring community called to love, serve and proclaim  
God's eternal grace to all people.**

Dear friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you as we enter this holy season of Advent and prepare our hearts for Christmas.

December is a month filled with contrasts. Outside, the days grow shorter and darker. Inside, our homes and neighborhoods brighten with lights and decorations. In the church, we feel this contrast too. Advent invites us into quiet reflection and expectant waiting, even as the world around us urges busyness and celebration.

But this tension is not something to avoid—it is at the very heart of Advent. We wait in the dark *because* we know the Light is coming. We hear again the promises spoken through the prophets: that the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light, that a child will be born for us, that God is drawing near in mercy and love.

This year, perhaps more than ever, we need that promise.

In a world that feels restless and tired, Advent teaches us to slow down, breathe, and watch for signs of God's presence. In a season when sadness and joy often sit side by side, Advent reminds us that God meets us exactly where we are—not where we think we should be. And as Christmas draws close, we are invited to marvel once again at the astonishing truth that God chooses to come as a child: small, vulnerable, and full of hope for the world.

As we light each candle on the Advent wreath, may it be a reminder that God's light shines steadily into our lives—one flame at a time—disrupting despair, comforting the weary, and guiding us forward. And when we arrive at the manger on Christmas Eve, may we be filled with wonder as we hear the angel's message: "*Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy for all people.*" That joy is for you.

That light is for you.

Christ is born *for you*—and for the life of the world.

May this Advent season grant you moments of stillness, hope, and renewal. And may the celebration of Christ's birth fill your heart and home with peace.

In the hope of the coming Christ,  
Pastor Greg+

## **St. David Church Council November Highlights 2025**

The St. David Congregation Council met Sunday, November 16, 2025 at 6:00 pm for the monthly meeting. The following items were discussed and action taken as needed.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Worship and Music:** There is an interest in bringing the Raleigh Ringers to St. David in 2026. A motion was made and carried.

### **Learning and Education:**

December 14, Children's Christmas Program at 9:30 am.

**Youth Ministry:** Working to form two Youth teams to assist Pastor Greg: Middle/High School parents and one Elementary parent. Youth are currently working on cleaning up the old Scout Hut to be turned into a Youth Hut.

January 4, 2026 will be a Spaghetti Luncheon after church for a Youth Fund Raiser.

**WeCare and Quilters:** A Christmas quilt will be raffled off November 30. The proceeds will help continuation of the quilt ministry of St. David.

**Pastor Greg Brown's reports received.** Preaching, Christian Education, Pastor Care, a marriage and administrative duties. Pastor will be out of the office November 23 with Pastor Fred Suhr to preside.

**Financial report received and reviewed.** See attached.

Drew stating \$17,000 is under spending plan. Money was needed for the new heat and air unit in education building.

A motion was made and carried that the Christmas offering will be divided between the St. David Building and Maintenance fund and the Snack Pack Program.

**Council Elections:** Council members confirmed are Mrs. Ann Alexander, Austin Corley, Andy Schumpert, and Mrs. Jamie Sox beginning 2026. Installation is during the December 14 service.

Next Council Meeting, December 14 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONS**  
**MONTH ENDED October 31, 2025**

	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>SPENDING PLAN</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 463,032.95	\$ 497,538.60
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>16,193.78</u>	0.00
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 479,226.73</u>	<u>\$ 497,538.60</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
ELCA & Synod Support	\$45,476.43	\$46,250.00
Total Salaries	234,414.54	252,940.40
Office/Miscellaneous	39,435.45	32,306.60
Worshiping & Music	15,788.04	6,583.30
Learning	6,303.31	5,125.00
Scholarships	2,100.00	2,250.00
Confirmation	4,868.04	625.00
Youth & Family Services (CYFM)	1,477.74	5,833.30
Young-At-Heart/ Tone Chimes	276.74	208.30
Serving	650.00	1,583.40
Witnessing	202.14	2,291.70
Supporting	838.66	750.00
Congregational Life Comm	263.88	1,250.00
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	2,942.39	2,500.00
Utilities	30,208.06	32,083.30
Insurance	17,820.50	18,333.30
Vehicle(s) Maintenance	2,939.46	1,666.70
Maintenance of Bldg. & Equipment	31,899.60	37,500.00
Service Contracts	36,070.79	29,583.30
Landscaping	21,750.00	17,083.30
Payroll Preparation Service	822.00	791.70
Debt Payment (Principal and Interest)	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	<u>\$496,547.77</u>	<u>\$497,538.60</u>
<b>RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS</b>	(\$17,321.04)	\$ 0.00
TRANSFER OF FUNDS - for debt principal payments	0.00	
Funds Applied to Debt Principal	0.00	
Available for Operations Beginning Balance 2025	<u>168,250.81</u>	
<b>AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 10/31/2025</b>	<u><b>\$150,929.77</b></u>	

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## MINISTRY REPORT

MONTH ENDED October 31 2025

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## DISBURSEMENTS:

## Worship &amp; Music

Music, altar, bulletins, supply pastor & instruments	\$ 15,788.04
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 100,981.65
Support expenses allocation	\$ 75,514.64
Debt payment allocation	\$ -
Worship & Music Sub-Total	<u>\$ 192,284.33</u>

## Learning

Education, Youth & family ministry, scholarship, VBS, etc.	\$ 15,025.83
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 67,668.30
Support expenses allocation	\$ 75,514.61
Debt payment allocation	\$ -
Learning Sub-Total	<u>\$ 158,208.75</u>

## Serving

Social ministry, ELCA missionary support, & Global missions	\$ 650.00
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 34,107.32
Salaries	\$ 32,882.30
Support expenses allocation	\$ 16,446.39
Debt payment allocation	\$ -
Serving Sub-Total	<u>\$ 84,086.01</u>

## Witnessing

Evangelism, Stewardship & Hispanic ministry	\$ 202.14
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 11,369.11
Salaries	\$ 32,882.30
Support expenses allocation	\$ 17,515.14
Debt payment allocation	\$ -
Witnessing Sub-Total	<u>\$ 61,968.68</u>

Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 496,547.77</u>
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## MISSION LEXINGTON NEEDS HOLIDAY FOODS

Mission Lexington is in need of the following donations for the holidays:

\$10 Gift Card for Turkey or ham	Boxed Stuffing Mix
Canned Sweet Potatoes and Green Beans	Boxed Cornbread Mix
Canned Collards or Turnips	Gravy Mix Packet
Canned Cranberry Sauce	Brownie Mix
Please No Glass Jars	

Please bring your donations to the red food barrels in St. David's commons area. If you prefer to give a monetary donation to go towards the purchase of food for Mission Lexington, please make checks payable to St. David, memo: Mission Lexington

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**PRAYER SHAWLS:** If you like to knit or crochet and would be interested in making prayer shawls for St. David's Prayer Shawl Ministry, please contact Peggy Trump at (717) 315-0262. In addition, if you know someone who is going through a difficult time and would benefit from a shawl to bring them love, comfort, and warmth, please reach out to Peggy.

**THANK YOU FOR ALL THE YARN** you have donated to the Prayer Shawl Ministry. At this time we do not need anymore.

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### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

Over the weekend of January 23-25, gather at Lutheridge for Faith Ablaze!

Faith Ablaze is for current high school students that want to take their faith to the next level. Led by campus pastors and college students, participants will discover what their faith is like after Confirmation and how it can make a difference in the world.

In 2025, the Faith Ablaze theme is "being Extra." During this time, students will look at some of the "extra" characters from the Bible and discover how God might be calling us all to be a little more extra. Participants will be able to choose between 3 workshops led by campus pastors and have some time in small groups to talk more, led by a college aged counselor.

Youth will enjoy the beauty of Lutheridge in the winter, have freedom to choose different activities and areas of interest, and set their faith on fire through inspiring conversation.

Communicate your interest to Pastor Greg, then register by Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at the Lutheridge website. The cost is \$185.

Use your phone to scan the QR code to be taken to Lutheridge's website, or use this link:

<https://lutheridge.org/fall-spring-programs/faith-ablaze/>



## REFORMERS

**DID YOU KNOW** that St. David has a small group ministry for young(er) men? Come and check out the Reformers, a ministry of Lutheran Men in Mission geared toward men in the middle 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of life (18-50ish)! Please contact Brad Sox or Jim Bickley for information and to be added to the Band App where event and meeting information is posted. We hope to see you there!

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## BREAD BREAKERS

**Fall is the time of year** when we begin a new year of Bread Breakers. This will be our fourth year and we would be excited to have you join us. If you are interested, please sign up after service or see Gary Dooley or anyone on the Evangelism Team.

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## MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING

### STILL HOPES

Glenda Boozer  
2116 Still Hopes Drive  
West Columbia, SC 29169  
(803) 530-4961

Betty Shull  
1 Still Hopes Drive RM 3254  
West Columbia, SC 29169

### SPRING OAK @ LEXINGTON

Patricia Mathias  
5422 Augusta Road, RM 203  
Lexington, SC 29072

### OAKLEAF VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON

Robert Smith  
Room 210  
Lexington, SC 29072  
(803) 358-2733

Joan Smith  
Room 210  
Lexington, SC 29072

### WELLMORE HEALTH CARE

Tish Sox  
200 Wellmore Drive  
Skilled Nursing Care  
Room 4114  
Lexington, SC 29072

Jim Brazell  
200 Wellmore Drive  
Lexington, SC 29072

Gail Brazell  
200 Wellmore Drive  
Lexington, SC 29072

### NATIONAL HEALTH CARE

Ernest Shull  
2993 Sunset Blvd.  
Room 204  
West Columbia, SC 29169

Patsy Shull  
2993 Sunset Blvd.  
Room 204  
West Columbia, SC 29169

**WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE FOR TRANSITIONS IN COLUMBIA** - The Mary Group is doing our annual warm clothing collection for our homeless neighbors. Please donate any items for cold weather you may have or want to purchase. Give items to Renee Sox or put in red basket in Commons Area. We will collect through January 2026.

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## **Ladies Night**

**ST. DAVID LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION**

**Monday, December 1, 2025**

**Dinner in St. David's Fellowship Hall at 7:00 PM**

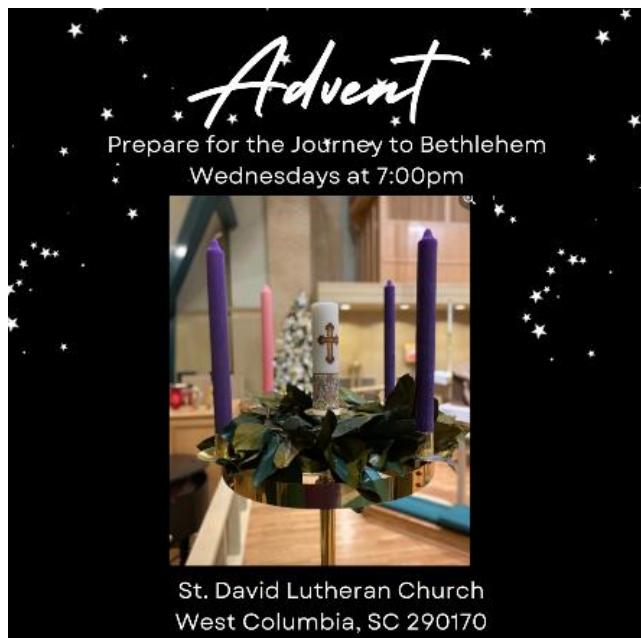
## **Advent Vesper Services**

**Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**

**December 3**

**December 10**

**December 17**



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## **OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IS EXPRESSED TO:**

*The family of Joyce Ann Smith in her death on November 14.*

*May they be supported by the Good News of Resurrection Victory in Christ.*

# Bulletin Board

## FOODS FOR FOOD PANTRY

In December is Sunday, December 7, and again on January 4. Place Your items in the boxes in the Narthex.

## Church Office Hours:

**Monday—Thursday**

9:00 am-5:00 pm

**Friday**

9:00 am-2:00 pm

*Lunch time varies*

**2025**

## CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS

<b>Charles Schumpert (President)</b>	<b>Elizabeth Bickley</b>
<b>Nate Hendrix (Vice-President)</b>	<b>Chris Dooley</b>
<b>Lynette Brantley (Secretary)</b>	<b>Deana Hage</b>
<b>Tricia Hood (Assistant Secretary)</b>	<b>Jim Kinard</b>
<b>Drew Laughlan (Treasurer)</b>	<b>Robbie Ruple</b>
<b>Lenny Bugay (Financial Secretary)</b>	<b>Barry Stricklin</b>
<b>Carter Jeffcoat (Youth Member)</b>	<b>Josh Temples</b>
	<b>Sylvia Wessinger</b>

## THE CANCELLED STAMP PROGRAM

This program is still going on. It was started at St. David by Sybil Quattlebaum in 1972. Thanks to all who have kept this ministry going by bringing your stamps to us. The income from their sales goes to support preparation, publishing, and distribution of a new Spanish language curriculum for Sunday Schools.

Please place your cancelled stamps in the box in the David Sunday School Classroom. Do not remove the stamps from the paper (leave  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{3}$ " border), BUT, if stamps are already off the paper, they have a buyer for them. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ENTIRE ENVELOPES IN THE BOX, THEY TAKE UP TOO MUCH ROOM.

If you have any questions, please call Sheila Kinard at (803) 600-9363.

Again, thank you for your participation in the past and looking forward!

**WHEN YOU NEED TO RESERVE** one of the buses for a church function, a room in one of our buildings, or borrow tablecloths for a church function, call the Church Office at (803) 356-3035. If you want to reserve the Fellowship Hall, Kitchen or Family Life Center **for a non-church event** you must come by the office to do so and leave a check for \$100 as a deposit. The check will be returned after the area is inspected by Property Committee and all check list items have been reviewed. The key can be checked out the day before the event.

If you borrow tablecloths, please wash, fold and return to the Church Office within two days following use.

**No white tables or chairs can be removed from St. David for any reason.**

## BULLETIN CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

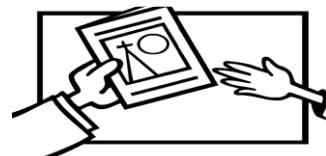
**DECEMBER 7 -**

**DECEMBER 14 – Betty Cox**

**DECEMBER 21 – Kevin & Stephanie Sox**

**DECEMBER 24 – Gary Dooley**

**DECEMBER 28 -**



## COMMUNION GIFTS FOR DECEMBER



**DECEMBER 7 –**

**DECEMBER 14 – Betty Cox**

**DECEMBER 21 –**

**DECEMBER 24 –**

**DECEMBER 28 -**

## FLOWER CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

**DECEMBER 7 – Larry Lown**

**DECEMBER 14 – Betty Cox**

**DECEMBER 21 – Pam Fox**

**DECEMBER 24 – Al Roberts**

**DECEMBER 28 – John Derrick**



ALTAR FLOWERS

## GREETERS FOR DECEMBER

**DECEMBER 7 – Barry Stricklin**

**DECEMBER 14 – Linda Turner**

**DECEMBER 21 – Gary Dooley**

**DECEMBER 24 – Gary Dooley**

**DECEMBER 28 –**

## NURSERY HELPERS FOR DECEMBER

**DECEMBER 7 – The Bickleys**

**DECEMBER 14 – The Temples**

**DECEMBER 21 – The Ruples**

**DECEMBER 28 – The McKinneys**

## USHERS FOR DECEMBER—Chick Roof, Drew Nord, Andy Schumpert, Charles Schumpert, Gerald Sox

**WE ARE LOOKING** for nursery volunteers during worship, and they must be safe haven trained. Contact Nicki Temples 803-553-0640 if you would like to volunteer.

## **CONTACTING THE CHURCH**

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

**Friday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm**

Church Phone: 803-356-3035

Gloria, Secretary - [office@stdavid.net](mailto:office@stdavid.net)

Seong-Sil Kim—Director of Music -  
[music@stdavid.net](mailto:music@stdavid.net)

Otto, Choir Director - [choir@stdavid.net](mailto:choir@stdavid.net)

## **CONTACTING PASTOR GREG**

Pastor Greg may be reached by calling the Church Office during Office Hours on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - 803-356-3035.

e-mail: [pastor.greg@stdavid.net](mailto:pastor.greg@stdavid.net)

## **CONTACTING PASTOR MADISON**

Pastor Madison may be reached by calling the Church Office during Office Hours on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - 803-356-3035. e-mail: [pastor.madison@stdavid.net](mailto:pastor.madison@stdavid.net)

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Visit Our Web Page: [stdavid.net](http://stdavid.net)

Find / Like Us On: FACEBOOK

## **COUNCIL INFO & REPORTS:**

Council President - Charles Schumpert

**PUBLICIST** for Local Media: Pam Fox

803-315-4029 or [Believe.pf@gmail.com](mailto:Believe.pf@gmail.com)

(2 weeks notice needed prior to church event)

## **ATTENTION:**

**LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE** for the January Lamplighter is December 15. We need your group's news and activities. If your group or committee has something newsworthy coming up, get your article in to the Church Office on or before the 15th of December. Any article received after the 15<sup>th</sup>, will go in the February Lamplighter. Thank you for your cooperation.

**IF YOU HAVE** an article for the Lamplighter Weekly, please submit before 2:00 pm on Wednesday of each week. Any article submitted after that will go in the following week.

**THERE IS A** sign-up sheet in the Narthex to sign up to be a Greeter. If you are interested in serving in this capacity using your gifts and talents, please sign up in the Narthex.

**A COPY OF CHRIST IN OUR HOME** is available for every family. There are large and regular editions available in the Narthex. The current book is for October, November, December.

**THE 2026 SIGN-UP POSTER** for flowers, bulletins and communion gifts is now up in the Narthex. You can sign up for your important dates now.

JOIN US FOR  
**CHRISTMAS  
CAROLING (ALL  
AGES) AND YOUTH  
LOCK-IN**



*Spread Christmas Cheer*

BY SINGING LOUD FOR ALL TO HEAR

**DECEMBER 13 / 3:30 PM**

MEET AT ST. DAVID @ 3:30 PM. PIZZA DINNER  
TO FOLLOW AND  
LOCK IN FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL  
YOUTH

Deck out in  
your best  
Christmas  
attire



All ages are  
welcome for  
caroling.  
Adult  
volunteers  
needed.

Please RSVP To Elizabeth Bickley 803-315-6755

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Mark Kaminer Ligia Hyler	12	Glenna Hammond Padgett Daniel Baldwin John Palmer	23	Vicky Bowers Holly Gilliam
2	Morgan Magni Nolan Huber	13	Wanda Elkins	24	Juline Sox Lillian Bingham
3	Michael Marsh, Jr.	14	Jackie Lundeen Allison G. Corley	26	Wesley Bleakley
4	Rachel F. Schumpert	15	Sandra Parker	27	Susan Schumpert Nicki M. Temples
5	Caitlin Mathias	17	Jack Quattlebaum	28	Brenda Fulmer Courtney F. Culick
6	Alison Rauch	18	Clarence Clayborn	30	Morgan B. Whitaker
8	Linda Turner	19	Mark Hite Connie Schofield	31	Elaine Palmer
9	Bob Padowicz	22	Angela B. Ozawa		
11	James Baldwin				

**If your name was left off** this month's list, please call the church office so we may add it to next year's list.

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## Children's Christmas Program

December 14

9:30 am

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## Worldwide Candle Lighting Memorial - December 14th, 2025



Every 2nd Sunday in December at 7:00 pm local time, families and friends are invited to unite for one special hour to remember their sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, and grandchildren who left us too soon. Gather in quiet remembrance for those loved ones who have died but will never be forgotten. This ceremony will be observed the whole world over. As candles are informally lit in our homes, hundreds of thousands of people create a virtual 24-hour wave of prayer and light as it moves from time zone to time zone around the world. *In the glow of remembrance, your spirit still shines. In our hearts, you live on.*

# UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

## DECEMBER EVENTS

SUNDAY, December 7 - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 14 - No regular youth events: (Church Council)

SUNDAY, December 28 - No regular youth events: (Winter Break)

## JANUARY EVENTS

SUNDAY, January 4 - TBD

SUNDAY, January 11 - No regular youth events (Church Council)

SUNDAY, January 18 - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, January 25 - High School @ Lutheridge for Faith Ablaze

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

SUNDAY, February 1 - TBD

SUNDAY, February 8 - No regular youth events (Church Council)

SUNDAY, February 15 - TBD

SUNDAY, February 22 - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

More info on these events can be found on the Band app.

## FALL CONFIRMATION SCHEDULES:

6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION DATES - SUNDAYS, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

• December 7, 2025	February 15, 2026	April 19, 2026
• January 18, 2026	March 15, 2026	May 3, 2026

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## DIRECTORY CHANGES

DON'T FORGET...IF YOU MOVE...

Please call the Church Office with your new address.

IF YOUR PHONE NUMBER CHANGES

Please call the Church Office with your new phone number.

Mark & Pat Rucker

569 Blackbear Drive

Edisto Island, SC 29438-7213

Joan Bundrick

406 Live Oak Street

Conway, SC 29527

Gary Dooley

1335 Garner Lane #204

Columbia, SC 29210-8330

Join us for the  
Christmas Eve  
**Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion**  
**Wednesday, December 24**  
**at 7:00 pm**

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**ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS:** To allow the Church Office to complete assembly of the St. David Church Annual Report for 2025 in a timely manner, we ask each chairperson to submit your committee's report **No Later Than January 15, 2025.**

Reports should be ONE PAGE in length and may be

- Mailed to: St. David Lutheran Church  
132 St. Davids Church Road  
West Columbia, SC 29170
- E-mailed (office@stdavid.net)
- Or hand-delivered to the Church Office (Monday-Thursday—9:00 am-5:00 pm)  
(Friday—9:00 am-2:00 pm)

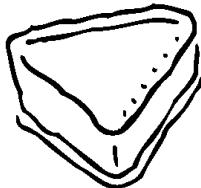
**THANK YOU**

**MANY THANKS TO** all of our Church Family and friends for the cards, prayers, food, calls and visits we received after Nathan's death. All was very much appreciated. This is also true after our son, Barry's death. Our Love, Lois Dooley and Family

# A Gift for Someone Special

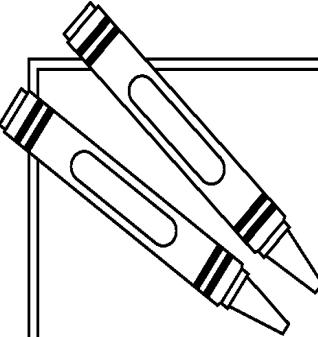
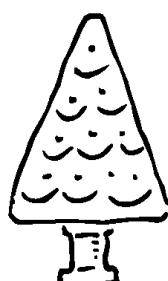
## You will need:

- ▲ a pie/wedge-shaped plastic container with lid
- ▲ an empty thread spool
- ▲ green felt
- ▲ brown felt
- ▲ craft glue
- ▲ scissors
- ▲ variety of trims — beads, glitter, sequins, etc.
- ▲ nuts or candy



## How to make:

1. Cut green felt to fit lid of container.
2. Glue in place.
3. Cut brown felt to cover spool.
4. Glue it on to spool.
5. Decorate "tree" with trim.
6. Glue "trunk" in place.
7. Let dry.
8. Fill with nuts or candy for a special gift.



# Just for KIDS

## Luke 2:1-20

In Luke 2:1-20, we read the familiar story of Jesus' birth. The scrambled words and names in the list below are a part of that story. Unscramble them and circle them in the puzzle. You will find them



eaCrsa	_____	aMyr	_____	zaNhtare	_____
gnamre	_____	opesJh	_____	uutuAsgs	_____
laiGele	_____	auedJ	_____	rephsehds	_____
nso	_____	csenus	_____	teeBhhelm	_____
hritb	_____	ilfeds	_____	enagl	_____
adfari	_____	david	_____	tginh	_____
oylgr	_____	oyj	_____	robn	_____
athre	_____	isbotrfrn	_____	ecrdee	_____
eeCPa	_____	nin	_____		

B C A E S A R M E A R T H  
D E C R E E E Y R U A G B  
F N T R B I R T H G F A O  
I S Y H S O N N I U R L R  
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There will be 14 uncircled letters. Write them in order from top to bottom on the lines. They will spell a special message to you.

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Merry Christmas

Caeser, Magneet, Galilee, Son, Birth, Afraid, Glory, Earth, Peace, Mary, Joseph, Judea, Census, Fields, David, Joy, Firstborn, Inn, Nazareth, Augustus, Shepherds, Bethlehem, Angel, Night, Born, Decree







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**FOR OUR VISITORS TO FIND OUT ABOUT...**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Stop by the Church Office on Sunday morning at 9:30 am and talk to Jennifer Jeffcoat, Sunday School Director.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** – Call Amy Ruple at 803-351-1412. Choir for all children 3 years old through fifth grade.

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA** – Call Emily Labelle at 803-447-3711.

**YOUTH MINISTRY** – Call Pastor Greg at 803-356-3035.

**YOUNG AT HEART** – Talk to Linda Turner at 803-530-1496 about monthly meetings, trips, activities and ministries.

**MEMBERSHIP** – New members are always welcome at St. David! Please talk to Pastor Greg on Sunday or call the Church Office.

**MUSIC MINISTRY** – We have choirs for all ages: vocal, handbell and instrumental.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY** – Contact Kirsten Davis at 803-920-5305 or [missykrea100@aol.com](mailto:missykrea100@aol.com) or Laurie Harmon at 803-530-5608 or [Isharmon58@gmail.com](mailto:Isharmon58@gmail.com) or Sylvia Wessinger at 803-331-7766 or [sylvia.wessinger@gmail.com](mailto:sylvia.wessinger@gmail.com).

**LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION** – Call Marvin Sox at 803-315-6499. Meetings are the first Monday night of each month at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. **REFORMERS** – Brad Sox at 803-309-3922 or Jim Bickley at 864-684-3871.