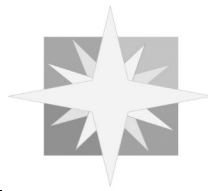


St. David



Lutheran

January 2024

WORSHIP SERVICES

Join us Live each Sunday
at 10:30 am
www.stdavid.net
@saintdavidlutheran

Sunday, January 7—Epiphany of our Lord

9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation

10:30 am—Worship/Communion

Sunday, January 14—Baptism of our Lord

9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation

10:30 am—Worship/Communion

Sunday, January 21—Third Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation

10:30 am—Worship/Communion

Sunday, January 28—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation

10:30 am—Worship/Communion



Welcome Guests

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



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we stand at the threshold of a new year, it is a time of reflection and anticipation. The turning of the calendar invites us to pause and consider the journey behind us while looking forward to the path that lies ahead. As your pastor, I am filled with gratitude for the moments we have shared, and I am eager to embark on this new chapter together. Your generosity and ways that you give of yourselves for the sake of this community are awe-inspiring. I'm especially grateful for the ways you love me and especially my family and am humbled by your gifts to us at Christmas.

The start of a new year often brings with it a sense of renewal and a fresh perspective. It is an opportunity for us to recommit ourselves to the values that define us as a faith community. In the spirit of the Lutheran tradition, let us anchor ourselves in God's unchanging love and grace, finding strength in our shared journey of faith.

One aspect of the Lutheran faith that resonates deeply with the beginning of a new year is the concept of vocation. Martin Luther emphasized the idea that each of us is called to serve God in our unique roles and responsibilities. As we embrace the new year, let us reflect on our vocations—whether in our families, workplaces, or communities—and consider how we can live out our faith in meaningful ways.

The challenges and uncertainties of the past year have reminded us of the importance of community and connection. In the year ahead, let us continue to support and uplift one another. As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are called to be a source of comfort, encouragement, and hope for those around us.

In the midst of the changing seasons and the unknowns that lie ahead, our faith remains a steadfast anchor. The words of Psalm 121 remind us, "I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." As we step into the new year, let us fix our gaze upon God, trusting that God's guidance will light our path.

May the grace of God be our constant companion in the days and months ahead. Together, as a community of believers, let us face the new year with hope, faith, and the assurance that God's love goes before us.

May peace be our journey together,

Pastor Greg+

WORSHIP NOTES



We Three Kings of Orient are
bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain
Moor and mountain
Following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Words and music by
John Henry Hopkins d.1891

Hopkins was an ordained Episcopal church musician from Pennsylvania. This was the only American Christmas carol in the English language for many years. He wrote it with children in mind, with verses two, three, and four descriptive of the three gifts described in St. Matthew's Gospel. The star is a powerful image in the Epiphany and the refrain focuses on the Star of Bethlehem.

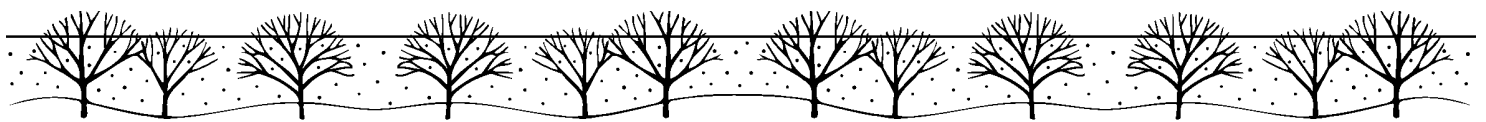
Matthew's Gospel presents a story not rich in detail, which invites tradition to step in. The three visitors were not kings, but Magi, sages of natural sciences. We don't know how many but there were three gifts. Somewhere along the line names were added: Melchior from Persia, Gaspar from India, and Balthazar from Arabia. Hopkins' carol gives meaning to the gifts as aspects of Jesus' future: gold representing kingship, frankincense for worship, and myrrh for death and mourning. Matthew says that they came not to a manger, but to a house, implying that the visit took place maybe 2 years after Jesus' birth.

So, why is this carol not in our hymnals? Hmm. But, as long as there are children's Christmas pageants, there will be little girl angels with golden halos (all the angels in the Bible are men), a flock of bath-robed shepherds milling about, and three Magi with kingly crowns, "Wee" three kings.

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONS
MONTH ENDED November 30, 2023

	ACTUAL	SPENDING PLAN	Actual Compared to Spending Plan	
RECEIPTS:				
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 501,615.82	\$ 537,021.54	-\$35,405.72	-6.6%
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>2,100.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>		
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 503,715.82</u>	<u>\$ 537,021.54</u>	-\$33,305.72	-6.2%
DISBURSEMENTS:				
ELCA & Synod Support	\$47,911.53	\$50,416.63	-\$2,505.10	-5.0%
Total Salaries	261,105.14	249,557.11	\$11,548.03	4.6%
Office/Miscellaneous	30,627.15	29,157.37	\$1,469.78	5.0%
Worshiping & Music	7,983.21	11,265.65	-\$3,282.44	-29.1%
Learning	7,756.19	8,708.26	-\$952.07	-10.9%
Scholarships	1,000.00	916.63	\$83.37	9.1%
Confirmation	0.00	916.63	-\$916.63	-100.0%
Youth & Family Services (CYFM)	2,835.72	3,666.63	-\$830.91	-22.7%
Young-At-Heart/ Tone Chimes	229.55	229.13	\$0.42	0.2%
Serving	1,100.00	3,070.87	-\$1,970.87	-64.2%
Witnessing	951.42	2,062.50	-\$1,111.08	-53.9%
Supporting	5,131.00	916.63	\$4,214.37	459.8%
Congregational Life Comm	1,266.46	1,375.00	-\$108.54	-7.9%
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	3,115.88	2,750.00	\$365.88	13.3%
Utilities	36,045.84	34,833.37	\$1,212.47	3.5%
Insurance	18,867.00	20,166.63	-\$1,299.63	-6.4%
Vehicle(s) Maintenance	5,546.01	1,833.37	\$3,712.64	202.5%
Maintenance of Bldg. & Equipment	44,005.12	41,250.00	\$2,755.12	6.7%
Service Contracts	25,964.27	27,958.37	-\$1,994.10	-7.1%
Landscaping	18,150.00	18,791.63	-\$641.63	-3.4%
Payroll Preparation Service	841.60	779.13	\$62.47	8.0%
Debt Payment (Principal and Interest)	<u>10,562.69</u>	<u>26,400.00</u>	-\$15,837.31	-60.0%
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<u>\$530,995.78</u>	<u>\$537,021.54</u>	-\$6,025.76	-1.1%
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	<u>(\$27,279.96)</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>		
TRANSFER OF FUNDS - for debt principal payments	0.00			
Funds Applied to Debt Principal	0.00			
Available for Operations Beginning Balance 2023	<u>160,855.09</u>			
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 11/30/2023	<u>\$133,575.13</u>			
BB&T NOTE BALANCE	<u>\$ -</u>			
Church Sign Fund	<u>\$ -</u>			



STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONS
MINISTRY REPORT
MONTH ENDED November 30, 2023

	ACTUAL
RECEIPTS:	
Receipts (includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 501,615.82
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>2,100.00</u>
Total Receipts (includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 503,715.82</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Worship & Music	
Music, altar, bulletins, supply pastor & instruments	\$ 7,983.21
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 117,443.83
Support expenses allocation	\$ 78,975.56
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
Worship & Music Sub-Total	\$ 207,043.27
Learning	
Education, Youth & family ministry, scholarship, VBS, etc.	\$ 11,821.46
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 71,136.61
Support expenses allocation	\$ 78,975.82
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
Learning Sub-Total	\$ 164,574.56
Serving	
Social ministry, ELCA missionary support, & Global missions	\$ 1,100.00
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 35,933.65
Salaries	\$ 36,262.50
Support expenses allocation	\$ 15,073.94
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
Serving Sub-Total	\$ 91,010.76
Witnessing	
Evangelism, Stewardship & Hispanic ministry	\$ 951.42
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 11,977.88
Salaries	\$ 36,262.50
Support expenses allocation	\$ 16,534.71
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
Witnessing Sub-Total	<u>\$ 68,367.18</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 530,995.78</u>
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	\$ (27,279.96)
TRANSFER OF FUNDS - for debt principal payments	0.00
Funds Applied to Debt Principal	0.00
Available for Operations Beginning Balance 2023	<u>160,855.09</u>
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 11/30/2023	<u>\$ 133,575.13</u>
BB&T NOTE BALANCE	<u>\$ -</u>
CHURCH SIGN FUND	\$ -

St. David Church Council December 2023 Highlights

Worship and Music:

Children's Christmas Program: December 17, at 9:00 am.

Advent Cantata will be held during the 10:30 am Worship Service on Sunday morning, December 24.

Midweek Advent services will be held on December 6, 13, and 20th. Discussed Soup and Sandwiches (or other meal choices) before the advent services.

Learning/Sunday School:

The 9th-12th grade class and the K5-2nd grade classes still need another teacher.

Youth Ministry:

Youth are meeting regularly, and attendance has increased in all three age groups (Kindle, LYLS and PHOS).

There is a ski trip planned for MLK weekend (Jan. 12-15) to Winterplace, WV.

July 13-16, 2024: ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

WELCA:

Lynette Brantley reported that The Toy Drive for Mission Lexington was an enormous success and concluded at the end of November.

Young at Heart:

December 21: Tone Chimes to visit Lexington Extended Care.

"Young at Heart Sunday" will be on January 28, 2024.

Evangelism:

Efforts to update members' contact information have been paused for now, resuming in the new year at a time to be determined. Please reach out to the Church Office or Danny Shull (803-727-3622 or pappashull1@gmail.com) if you want to update any of your information in the meantime.

MABEC:

America Lopes de la Rosa is leading MABEC.

Old Business:

The nursery sign-up sheet in the Narthex has been taken down. Please contact Elizabeth Bickley or Kirsten Davis if you have any interest or questions.

Please remember to sign up for the Safe Haven program if you need this training.

New Business

New signs have been posted at all entry doors about wearing masks is optional.

Pastor and the Church Council spent time reviewing and updating Chapter 22 for the Church Cemetery. Once the updates are completed the Church Council will vote to approve Chapter 22 into our Constitution.

Pastor submitted his report to Church Council.

Treasurer: Financial Report was reviewed and will be included in the Lamplighter.

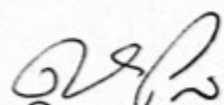
Ended our Council Meeting with the Lord's Prayer.



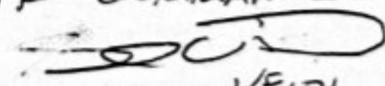
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TO THE FACULTY AND CONGREGATION OF ST DAVID
LUTHERAN CHURCH,

WE SIMPLY, TOGETHER AS A UNITED TEAM
OF SOLDIERS, AIRMEN, CIVILIANS, AND INDUSTRY PARTNERS,
WANTED TO SAY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND
THOUGHTFULNESS. AS TASK FORCE BULLDOG, WE ARE
HONORED AND PRIVILEGED TO SERVE OUR NATION AS
THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION INTEGRATED AIR
DEFENSE SYSTEM (NCR-IADS). PLEASE CONTINUE
TO KEEP OUR FAMILIES IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND
PRAYERS. HUMBLER AND HONORED,


COL RYAN S. PRICE

TF COMMANDER


SGM ANDY KEITH
ACTING CMD SGT MAJOR

Thank You

from the staff of St. David!

The staff of St. David wish to express a heartfelt thank you to all the members of St. David!

It is a blessing to serve with you. We appreciate the help you give us with your time, talents and treasure throughout the year. You are a true blessing to each of us.

We wish you a blessed and happy new year, and we look forward to seeing you and working with you in the year to come.

Pastor Suey

Al Rabit

Alto Hay

Glenn Miller

Celeste Schnabel





JANUARY 14, 4:00-6:00 PM MEETING: The Cemetery & Memorials Committee will meet in Conference Room 105 at 4:00 pm on Sunday, January 14 to discuss our needs and plans for 2024. Any church member is welcome to attend or provide input. Contact Bernie Lee about our volunteer opportunities.

ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS: To allow the Church Office to complete assembly of the St. David Church Annual Report for 2022 in a timely manner, we ask each chairperson to submit your committee's report **No Later Than January 17, 2023.** 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)

LUTHERIDGE

Mark your calendars for a week at Lutheridge, June 16-21, 2024. Pastor Greg and Mrs. Celeste will be offering transportation that week. Pastor will be staying for the week with the confirmation group. Mrs. Celeste will be on site as a CARE leader (Bible Study leader). Registration is now open to kids completing 1st-12th grade. Check out novusway.org for more information.

MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING

STILL HOPES

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

Jeff Foster
2234 Still Hopes Drive
Skilled Nursing Unit
West Columbia, SC 29169

WELLMORE HEALTH CARE

Jean Roberts
200 Wellmore Drive, Apt 3214
Lexington, SC 29072

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

CAROLINA GARDENS

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

Patty Monts
5422 Augusta Road, Room 315
Lexington, SC 29072



WANTED – ASSISTANT VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Part-time Volunteer to assist in coordinating with the American Red Cross to advertise; recruit, train and schedule volunteer staff; and set up for the three blood drives (February, July and October) at St. David. Main duties are to assist the Blood Drive Coordinator with *some* but not all of the following on the day of the blood drive: supervising tear-down (10 -11am) of the Fellowship Hall, to meet the Red Cross (at 1 pm) to let them in to set up, to ensure a volunteer mans the sign-in and snack tables for each two-hour shift and to assist incoming donors (2 - 7 pm), and for cleanup and set back up afterwards.

Volunteers to sign in donors on a laptop or to hand out drinks and snacks during the blood drives are also needed.

Contact Bernie Lee, SDLC Blood Drive Coordinator, to join our volunteer staff.

Thanks,

Bernie Lee
SDLC Blood Drive Coordinator
803-348-0631 cell
franandbernie@hotmail.com

BULLETIN CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 7—

JANUARY 14—Steven Fipps

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—



COMMUNION GIFTS FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 7—

JANUARY 14—Steven Fipps

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—

FLOWER CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 7—Ann Alexander

JANUARY 14—Steven Fipps

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—Bernie Lee



CHILDREN'S CHURCH FOR JANUARY

Schedule for Leaders:

JANUARY 7—

JANUARY 14—

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—

GREETERS FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 7—Mandy Derrick, John Derrick, Mel Baldwin

JANUARY 14—John Derrick, Mandy Derrick, Lynette Brantley

JANUARY 21—Lenny Bugay, Mary Bugay

JANUARY 28—Young at Heart members

NURSERY HELPERS FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 7—

JANUARY 14—

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—

CRUCIFERS

ACOLYTES

JANUARY 7—

JANUARY 14—

JANUARY 21—

JANUARY 28—

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Chick Roof, Drew Nord, Matt Schnabel, Andy Schumpert, Charles Schumpert, Gerald Sox

Bulletin Board

FOODS FOR FOOD PANTRY

in January is Sunday, January 7, and again on February 4. Place your items in the boxes in the Narthex.



2024

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS

Josh Temples (President)	Elizabeth Bickley
Danny Shull (Vice-President)	Gary Dooley
Lynette Brantley (Secretary)	Nate Hendrix
Susan Miller (Assistant Secretary)	Tricia Hood
Drew Laughlan (Treasurer)	Robbie Ruple
Lenny Bugay (Financial Secretary)	Charles Schumpert
Carter Jeffcoat (Youth Member)	Brad Sox
	Barry Stricklin

Church Office hours—

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Monday—Thursday

Friday

9:00 am-2:00 pm

Lunchtime varies

THE 2024 SIGN-UP POSTER for bulletins and communion gifts and flowers is now up in the Narthex. Be sure to sign up early for your important dates. If you have questions, please contact the Church Office. **THERE ARE ALSO SIGN-UP CHARTS for Greeters and Nursery Helpers.** If you are interested in serving with these ministries using your gifts and talents, please sign up in the Narthex.

MISSION LEXINGTON IS IN NEED OF FOOD. The need for food is still there to keep their food pantry stocked. Monetary donations can still be made by annotating on our church envelopes or other means of giving. Thanks for your support. Social Ministry Committee

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 1/4" to 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 June Suite at 803-957-8179.

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

CONTACTING THE CHURCH

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

Friday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Church Phone: 356-3035

Gloria, Secretary - office@stdavid.net

Dr. Al, Director of Music - music@stdavid.net

Otto, Choir Director - choir@stdavid.net

CONTACTING PASTOR

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

After Office Hours call (864) 554-7924

e-mail: pastor@stdavid.net

SOCIAL MEDIA

Visit Our Web Page: stdavid.net

Find / Like Us On: FACEBOOK

COUNCIL INFO & REPORTS:

Council President -

PUBLICIST for Local Media: Pam Fox
356-4052 or Believe.pf@gmail.com
(2 weeks notice needed prior to church event)

ATTENTION:

LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE for the February Lamplighter is January 16. 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 16th of January. Any article received after the 16th will go in the March 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.



DVDS OF THE WORSHIP SERVICES are available for our shut-ins. If you need a DVD, please call the Church Office and let us know.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY CLASSES meet on Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room and on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 am in the Conference Room.

OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IS EXPRESSED TO:

The family of Miriam Wessinger (mother-in-law of Sylvia Wessinger) on November 23.

The family of Heber Leroy Smith in his death on November 30.

The family of Minnie Sue Matthews (mother of Rivon VanLaan) on November 30.

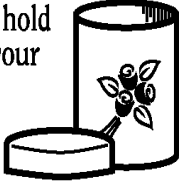
The family of Joan Beckham in her death on December 13.

The family of Jeanette Hook Carter (aunt of Ann Alexander and Mandy Derrick in her death in December.

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

Make a New Year's Time Capsule

Make a container to hold your treasures and your wishes and goals for the New Year.



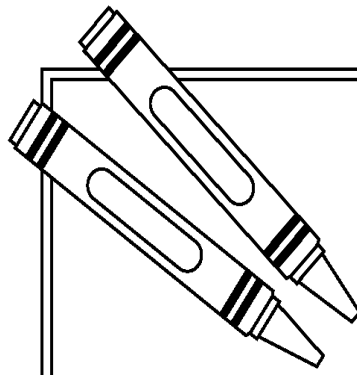
You will need:

- small storage tin (You may have a cookie-, popcorn- or candy-tin leftover from the holidays. If you don't have a tin, a shoebox will work.)
- goals for the coming year
- permanent markers ■ paper
- glue ■ tape ■ scissors ■ paint
- paintbrush
- little treasures (photos of friends or family, small toys, coins, etc.)

How to make it:

- Wash and dry the tin.
- Decorate the tin with the markers or paint. (If the tin already has a design, you can use that one. Or you can decorate pieces of paper and then glue them to the tin's lid and sides.)
- Mark your name and the date on the lid.
- On a piece of paper make a list of goals – things you would like to accomplish during the year. (For example, be a better student, be more helpful around the house, make new friends, etc.)
- On another piece of paper write some of the important things that happened last year. (For example, got a new puppy, went on a fun vacation, learned to ride a bike, etc.)
- Place the list of goals in the tin along with any little treasures you want to include.
- Tape the lid onto the tin.
- Store it in a safe place (for example, your closet, under the bed, etc.).
- Open the tin on the next New Year's Day. Did you accomplish all your goals? Did you remember what was in the tin?

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Just for KIDS

"Who Am I?"

It's a new year and you may be thinking about time, birthdays and how old you'll be this year. Below are some people from the Bible and the ages they reached.

First, fill in the name of each person. If you need help, look up the verses in the Bible. Next, find the age of each person by matching the number under the blanks to the sum of the digits in the ages listed. For example, if the number under the line is 11, it could be 290 (2+9+0=11) or 47 (4+7=11).

Names:	Abraham	Joseph	Adam	Moses	Isaac	Noah	Jesus	Sarah
Ages:	33	110	120	127	175	180	930	950

1. I was God's first man. I lived to be _____ years old.
Who am I? _____ (Genesis 5:5) (12)
2. I built an ark when God flooded the earth. I lived to be _____ years old.
Who am I? _____ (Genesis 9:29) (14)
3. God said that my offspring would be as many as the stars in the heavens. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Genesis 25:7) (13)
4. I was close to 90-years-old when God said that I would have a son. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Genesis 23:1) (10)
5. My parents were Abraham and Sarah. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Genesis 35:28) (9)
6. My brothers left me in a pit in the wilderness. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Genesis 50:26) (2)
7. When I was 3-months-old, I was placed in a basket in the reeds along the bank of the Nile River. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Deuteronomy 34:7) (3)
8. I began my life in a barn with animals. I lived to be _____ years old. Who am I? _____ (Luke 2:7). (6)

Answers: 1. 930, Adam; 2. 950, Noah; 3. 175, Abraham; 4. 127, Sarah; 5. 180, Isaac; 6. 110, Joseph; 7. 120, Moses; 8. 33, Jesus

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



1	Maria Canepa	9	Matthew Horton	22	Cathy Dooley Allie Bremer
2	Barbara McDaniel	10	Kathy Kozma Pat Rucker	23	Caylee Schumpert Steven Fipps Willie Culick
3	Joseph Sox Blake Sox Camrie Dooley Gabriel Schumpert	11	Betty Enlow Julie Baldwin Jamie K. Sox Victoria Sox Samantha Corley Kimette Amodio Danielle Martin Thomas Lindler	24	Andy Schumpert
4	Elizabeth M. Scott Jessica Bentley	13	Patti Puza Vinetta Dooley Renee Sox Meagan C. Mattox	25	Keri L. Webb
5	C. J. Rhodes Matt Cooper	14	Natalie Corley Mollie Mattox	26	Kathleen Schnabel
6	Kelly Amick	15	Richard Lovett	27	Preston Rikard Cody Sox Alexandra A. Gaskins Zoe Peterson
7	Beverly Roof Joyce Thompson Britney Frazier	16	Danny Shull	28	Marcia Robinson Jim Riddle Amber Machado Sydney Dobbins Fowler Price
8	Robert Daniel Shull J. J. Puza Kayla Whitenack Donna Dooley	18	John Palmer Olivia Dickey Steve Pullie	29	Jackie Brunson Fran Lee Jim Bickley
		19	Jeffery Frye	30	Weston Sox
		20	Marie Hagan Barbara Shealy	31	Alanah Frye Alexia Peake Bruce McFarland
		21	Kelly Goodale Will Epley, Jr.		

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.



Join our Team!

WANTED – MEMORIAL PARK SPECIALIST

Part-time (as required) Volunteer to attend called committee meetings to address current and to plan future needs. Provide light grounds maintenance a minimum of twice a year. Could also be called upon to assist church members in their request for burial plots; coordinate with the pastor, church office and funeral home for a deceased's interment requiring a compassionate personality. Primary job is to locate and mark grave sites. Contact Bernie Lee, Cemetery Committee, to join our team.

2024 YOUTH SCHEDULE (6TH-12 GRADE)

January 12-15: Ski Trip

Sunday, January 21: Stars and Stripes Bowling 5-7:00pm. Meet at the church at 4:30 pm and return at 7:30 pm. *Gary to drive and chaperone with Celeste.

Sunday, January 28: Youth with Mrs. Andrea Hallas. Details TBD.

Saturday, February 3: “Love Your Neighbor, Love Yourself” - Fundraiser Dinner for Lutheridge with Cristo Rey and AME church, 6-8:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Youth to serve, do talents, set up and clean up.

Friday, February 9-Sunday, February 11: LCY Winter Retreat

Sunday, February 11: Superbowl Party with pizza at Brooke Sox’s house, 6-9:00 pm, 242 Holly Road, Lexington. Brad and Stacie Sox to chaperone.

Sunday, February 18:

Middle School Youth [meet at Skate Station USA, 3-5:00 pm. \\$10 admission.](#)

*Chris and Amanda Huber to chaperone.

High School Youth meet at Summit Trampoline Park, 5-7:00 pm.

*Julie and Mel Baldwin to chaperone.

Sunday, February 25 Hiking, picnic, and devotion at Harbison State Forest. Meet at the church at 5:00 pm to return at 8:00 pm. *Matt to drive bus and chaperone with Celeste.

Sunday, March 3: Meet at Second Wave Coffee 4-6:00 pm for devotion, coffee, and dessert. *Claire and Richard to chaperone.

Sunday, March 10: Service project to church members, shut-ins 4-5:00 pm. Come to Lown Pond after for supper and hanging out. Stay until 7:00 pm. *Steve Pullie to chaperone with Celeste.

SAVE THE DATES:

Sunday, March 24: Easter Egg Hunt following worship.

Sunday, April 14: Youth Sunday and Spaghetti Fundraiser Lunch Following Worship.

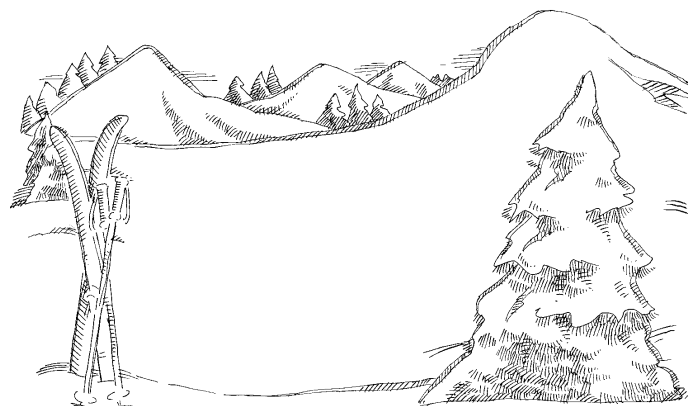
Friday, May 10-Sunday, May 12: Spring into Action Synod Event.

Sunday, May 19: End of School Party at the Fipps’ pool. 5-7:00 pm.

June 9-14: Graceworks

June 9-14: VBS

June 16-21: Lutheridge



LYLS (3rd-5th Graders) SCHEDULE 2024

Keep current with our events by joining LYLS Facebook Page.

Sunday, January 21: Meet at Skate Station USA, 3:00-5:00 pm. \$10 admission. Bring extra money for snacks/drinks. Chaperones: Drew and Danielle Nord.

Saturday, February 24: Event to be determined.

-5K Run/Walk to Support At-Risk Homeless Families with Children.

\$25 admission fee includes t-shirt. OR

-Visiting local nursing home residents.

Saturday, March 16: Meet at Fox Farm, 3:30-5:30 pm. Chaperones: Gary Dooley and Amy Clegg Gray.

Sunday, April 21: Destination Unknown...Stay after church. We will return to the church at 4:00 pm. Who knows??? Come and be surprised!! It will be worth it.

Sunday, May 19: Come to Lown Pond following worship until 3:00 pm. Families invited. Everyone bring a dish or two to share. Swimming, boating, volleyball, etc.

LYLS





**NEW MOUNT ZION, CRISTO
REY, AND ST. DAVID
INVITE YOU TO**

***Fundraiser Dinner
and Variety Show***

**3 | FEBRUARY | 6-8 PM
FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

**DELICIOUS DINNER
DOOR PRIZES
FABULOUS ENTERTAINMENT
MUSIC AND PHOTO BOOTH**

**TICKETS \$15 AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
AFTER WORSHIP SERVICES IN JANUARY**

"LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR, LOVE YOURSELF"

MATTHEW 22:39

**PROCEEDS WILL GO TO HELP
SEND KIDS TO LUTHERIDGE AND
YOUTH/CHURCH EVENTS**



January 2024 Women of the ELCA News

January Assignment for Nursery Snacks and Supplies is the Bethany Group.

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Our annual General Meeting, where officers were elected, was held. The following were elected to serve in 2024, and the Budget was presented and adopted.

President – Emily Labelle

Vice president – OPEN

Secretary – Sylvia Wessinger

Treasurer – Julie McFarland

Mission Growth Chair – Tricia Hood and Ann Alexander

Mission Action Chair – Barbara Dooley, Jackie Lundeen and Corinne Lord

Mission Community Chairs – Deana Hage and Elaine Palmer

During the October group meetings, each group was asked to select a group leader and recorder and also asked to select members to serve on the Mission teams, Growth, Community and Action. **Please send these names to Ann Alexander and/or Pam Fox as soon as possible.**

If you have not already, **Each Group leader is asked to update your membership list and send to Pam Fox as soon as possible.**

Be on the lookout for a digital copy of the 2024 Yearbook!

I'd like to thank each of you for your help and support to me during my 2 years as President! We are a wonderful Women of the ELCA unit, and I appreciate all that each of our groups do! I ask that we continue to reach out and support our congregation and community in many ways.

Your sister in Christ,
Ann

May you each have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

ST. DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH
132 ST. DAVIDS CHURCH ROAD
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**FOR OUR VISITORS TO FIND OUT
ABOUT...**

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

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

YOUTH MINISTRY - Call Celeste Schnabel (Interim Youth Director) at 803-727-2626.

MUSIC MINISTRY - Call Al Roberts at 803-356-1700. We have choirs for all ages - vocal, handbell and instrumental.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA - Call Ann Alexander at 803-530-1749.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - Call Celeste Schnabel at 803-727-2626. Choir for all children 3 years old through fifth grade.

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

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.

CAMPUS MINISTRY - Contact Laurie Harmon at lsharmon@windstream.net or 803-359-8653 or Sylvia Wessinger at sjwessinger@yahoo.com or 803-957-1312.