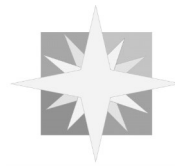


LAMPLIGHTER

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ST. DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH JULY 2025

St. David



Lutheran

July 2025

Sunday, July 6—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am—Adult Sunday School

10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, July 13—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am—Adult Sunday School

10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, July 20—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am—Adult Sunday School

10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, July 27—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am—Adult Sunday School

10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion

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

Dear Friends in Christ,

I'm still getting used to the wickedly hot temperatures that summer in South Carolina bring. It's my first full summer here—at least I'm more adjusted than I was last year!—and I've found myself drawn to the water. It's cool and refreshing, and spending time in the water, whether in a lake, river, beach, or even a backyard sprinkler, it's a fun way to spend a few hours of a hot, summer day.

There's something about water that brings refreshment, renewal, and a sense of peace. It stirs memories and tells stories, many of which connect deeply to our faith.

Think of childhood summers spent splashing in creeks, fishing with grandparents, or watching the waves roll in at the shore. Water holds stories—of joy, rest, and sometimes challenge. In Scripture, water is also a central image, both in the literal and spiritual sense. From the parted Red Sea that led the Israelites to freedom, to the calming of the stormy sea by Jesus' hand, to the gift of baptism where water marks us as children of God—these are water stories, and they are also *our* stories.

Summer offers us a sacred invitation to slow down, to notice the ripples of God's presence in our lives, and to be renewed in body and spirit. It is a season that mirrors baptism in many ways—cooling what's overheated, washing away the dust of busy schedules, and reminding us of the life-giving power of God's grace.

As you enjoy time near the water this summer—whether boating, swimming, or simply dipping your toes—take a moment to remember your baptism. Let the water remind you that you are loved, forgiven, and called. And if you're spending time with family or friends by the water, share those stories—of faith, of growing up, of how God has been present in your life. Water holds stories, but so do you.

May the rest of your summer be filled with laughter, peace and holy moments. And may you find Christ walking beside you on the shore, calling you once again to life and love.

In love
+Pastor Madison

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

	ACTUAL	SPENDING PLAN	Actual Compared to Spending Plan	
RECEIPTS:				
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 209,147.07	\$ 248,764.60	-\$39,617.53	-15.9%
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	9,693.78	0.00		
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 218,840.85</u>	<u>\$ 248,764.60</u>	-\$29,923.75	-12.0%
DISBURSEMENTS:				
ELCA & Synod Support	\$19,366.06	\$23,125.00	-\$3,758.94	-16.3%
Total Salaries	115,102.40	126,470.20	-\$11,367.80	-9.0%
Office/Miscellaneous	18,970.68	16,153.30	\$2,817.38	17.4%
Worshiping & Music	11,117.78	3,291.65	\$7,826.13	237.8%
Learning	2,031.58	2,562.50	-\$530.92	-20.7%
Scholarships	2,100.00	1,125.00	\$975.00	86.7%
Confirmation	3,772.50	312.50	\$3,460.00	1107.2%
Youth & Family Services (CYFM)	1,140.89	2,916.65	-\$1,775.76	-60.9%
Young-At-Heart/ Tone Chimes	97.25	104.15	-\$6.90	-6.6%
Serving	0.00	791.70	-\$791.70	-100.0%
Witnessing	202.14	1,145.85	-\$943.71	-82.4%
Supporting	838.66	375.00	\$463.66	123.6%
Congregational Life Comm	0.00	625.00	-\$625.00	-100.0%
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	1,575.88	1,250.00	\$325.88	26.1%
Utilities	14,671.60	16,041.65	-\$1,370.05	-8.5%
Insurance	8,117.00	9,166.65	-\$1,049.65	-11.5%
Vehicle(s) Maintenance	2,605.80	833.35	\$1,772.45	212.7%
Maintenance of Bldg. & Equipment	11,267.87	18,750.00	-\$7,482.13	-39.9%
Service Contracts	20,160.21	14,791.65	\$5,368.56	36.3%
Landscaping	12,750.00	8,541.65	\$4,208.35	49.3%
Payroll Preparation Service	448.50	395.85	\$52.65	13.3%
Debt Payment (Principal and Interest)	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<u>\$246,336.80</u>	<u>\$248,769.30</u>	-\$2,432.50	-1.0%
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	(\$27,495.95)	<u>\$ (4.70)</u>		
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>			
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 5/31/2025	<u>\$140,754.86</u>			

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONS

MINISTRY REPORT

MONTH ENDED May 31 2025

		ACTUAL
RECEIPTS:		
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)		\$ 209,147.07
Transfer of Dedicated Funds		<u>9,693.78</u>
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)		<u>\$ 218,840.85</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Worship & Music		
Music, altar, bulletins, supply pastor & instruments	\$ 11,117.78	
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -	
Salaries	\$ 51,908.70	
Support expenses allocation	\$ 36,537.06	
Debt payment allocation	\$ -	
Worship & Music Sub-Total		<u>\$ 99,563.53</u>
Learning		
Education, Youth & family ministry, scholarship, VBS, etc.	\$ 9,142.22	
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -	
Salaries	\$ 32,030.22	
Support expenses allocation	\$ 36,537.04	
Debt payment allocation	\$ -	
Learning Sub-Total		<u>\$ 77,709.47</u>
Serving		
Social ministry, ELCA missionary support, & Global missions	\$ -	
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 14,524.55	
Salaries	\$ 15,581.75	
Support expenses allocation	\$ 8,903.41	
Debt payment allocation	\$ -	
Serving Sub-Total		<u>\$ 39,009.70</u>
Witnessing		
Evangelism, Stewardship & Hispanic ministry	\$ 202.14	
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 4,841.52	
Salaries	\$ 15,581.75	
Support expenses allocation	\$ 9,428.70	
Debt payment allocation	\$ -	
Witnessing Sub-Total		<u>\$ 30,054.10</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>\$ 246,336.80</u>
RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS		\$ (27,495.95)
TRANSFER OF FUNDS - for debt principal payments		
Funds Applied to Debt Principal		0.00
Available for Operations Beginning Balance 2025		<u>168,250.81</u>
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 5/31/2025		<u>\$ 140,754.86</u>

St. David Church Council June 2025 Highlights

St. David Church Council Highlights June 2025

The St. David Congregational Council met, Sunday, June 8, 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 are currently three candidates who have sent resumes for the church organist.

Learning: Sunday School adult teachers and substitutes are needed.

Vacation Bible School is June 16- June 19.

August 10th Children's Sunday School rally day

Property: Sanctuary and Education roof replacement scheduled for June 23-June 25.

Technology: Tim Sox has agreed to be chairperson and needs volunteers for live streaming.

Evangelism: Organizing "God's Work, Our Hands Day," Sunday, September 7th.

Policy for funerals and allowed cemetery flags display was updated.

The funeral policy added Associate Pastor to assist, the American Flag can be displayed in the Narthex if requested by the family and a \$200 funeral fee to be paid by the family to the organist.

Financial Report: see attached May 2025

Next Council meeting July 13, 2025

OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IS EXPRESSED TO:

June Suite and family in the death of her cousin Evelyn Kirton on June 5.

Tim Sox and family in the death of his father Roy Wayne Sox "RW" on June 8.

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

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 1/3rd 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!

MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING

STILL HOPES

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

SPRING OAK @ LEXINGTON

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

Patricia Mathias
5422 Augusta Road, Room 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

Notice for Youth Parents: Fall Student Bible Distribution (Sunday, August 17)

This past Lenten season at St. David, Pastor Greg and I (Pastor Madison) focused the Wednesday evening worship services and activities on remembering baptismal promises. These are promises that stay with us through our whole life, and it's important that we remember them so we can continue living in this covenant of baptism with God and with each other. The beauty of our baptismal promises is that you, parents, aren't expected to keep these promises on your own. You have a church and a community that equips you to serve as a guide for your students and families to explore faith together in accordance with these promises. Part of the church's role is to give you the resources (Sunday school, confirmation, trusted adults and mentors, Bibles, etc.) to help your students explore their faith.

One of my goals that's been building since I first arrived was to set up a schedule where St. David would distribute Bibles at various times throughout a student's faith exploration. Part of the baptismal promises we make as our students are brought to Holy Baptism is that we will "place in their hands the holy scriptures." It's been a while since St. David has distributed Bibles to students regularly, and this is an important ministry that I'm eager to get started again!

Here's our NEW schedule for regular Bible distribution:

- **Baptism.** The first will be given at baptism. When children are baptized, part of what we are going to do right away is help fulfill that promise of placing into their hands the holy scriptures. Our baptism Bible will be a board book style so that these babies can love their Bibles well in the many ways babies love things, and the Bibles will last. (As Lutherans, most people the pastors baptize are babies, but if there are older children or adults who will be baptized, we'll make sure they get an age-appropriate Bible in place of the board Bible!) It's 20 of the most commonly read Bible stories boiled down to a few sentences with a main message at the end to help grown-ups talk to their babies about who God is and how God wants us to live. Most importantly, a Bible at this age helps establish a pattern of regularly using the Bible together with your students.
- **3 Years Old.** The next Bible will be given as they enter Sunday school/are in preschool. These are our 3/4-year-old Bibles. More in-depth than the board Bibles, these Bibles include more stories, but stories that are still very easy to understand. I know my preschooler's favorite thing to do is wonder. We get asked why we do things or what things mean more often than not, and this Bible encourages wondering about God and the stories in the Bible. Wonder is how we engage with the world and how we grow! After each story there's a question that prompts discussion with your student to encourage conversation about how you might wonder about God or the story or the world.
- **2nd Grade.** After the preschool Bible, we'll give another Bible to our students entering 2nd grade. Since I stumbled across this Bible, I've been telling Pastor Greg how obsessed I am with it. It might be my favorite Bible ever, even for adults. It's a perfect in-between version: more in-depth than the younger elementary age Bible, but easier for upper elementary age students to understand than a full-fledged Bible. It continues to invite your students to wonder about these stories, and expands with a bit of context to the greater story, prayers that are easy to pray, and it includes different "paths" to take to continue exploring stories that emphasize the things God says are most important (i.e. Welcoming, loving each other, being comforted by God). It has maps and timelines and so many different ways for students who are learning to love their Bibles to explore their place in God's story.

- **6th Grade.** The last Bible we're going to formally give students is when they enter confirmation in 6th grade. Part of the goal that Pastor Greg and I have for confirmation is for students to be able to make faith their own. This one will be a regular, "grown up" Bible with everything included. Instead of the NRSV Bibles we have in church, though, I've opted a different translation: the Common English Bible. It's easier to understand than the NRSV translation, which falls more into a high school (or beyond) reading level. It's a student study Bible, which means it has the history, context, and questions that encourage all the wondering they've done with their other Bibles AND with all they'll be discovering about faith in confirmation.

We're going to be playing catch up for the first years. So, if your student is in the "in-between" time or just missed the cut off to receive a Bible, please let me know. I'm never, ever going to not give out a Bible to a person who wants it, especially our young people. For example, if your student hasn't received a Bible but will be starting 3rd grade in the fall, it would be more than appropriate to distribute a Bible to them in the fall if that's something you would like them to have. Or, if you'd like to stop into my office to take a peek to see if your student would benefit from the one they've just missed or if you think they should wait for the next round of distribution, you're absolutely welcome to do so. Just let me know! (Confirmation students are automatically looped into this rule, so ALL rising 6th-9th grade students will all receive a Bible in the fall.)

Now that you have all this information, what's next?

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 17. During the Sunday school hour, I will host a "getting to know your Bible" time for any adults and students who would like to know a little bit more about how to get the most use out of these new Bibles.

Send an email to me so I can make sure I have the right Bible ready for your student. This is part of the catch-up. I know who to expect for the grades listed in the new schedule, but I want to know which other students would like to receive a Bible this fall. To make sure we order enough, I need to hear from you as soon as possible!

Please give me a call or send me an email if you have questions!

Pastor Madison



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drive

**St. David Lutheran
Church**

Fellowship Hall

Fellowship Hall
132 Saint David's Church Rd.
West Columbia, SC 29170

**Monday, July 14, 2025
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Bulletin Board

FOODS FOR FOOD PANTRY

in July is Sunday, July 6, and again on August 3. Place your items in the boxes in the Narthex.

Church Office hours—

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Monday—Thursday

Friday

9:00 am-2:00 pm

Lunchtime varies

2025

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS

Charles Schumpert (President)

Nate Hendrix (Vice-President)

Lynette Brantley (Secretary)

Tricia Hood (Assistant Secretary)

Drew Laughlan (Treasurer)

Lenny Bugay (Financial Secretary)

Carter Jeffcoat (Youth Member)

Elizabeth Bickley

Chris Dooley

Deana Hage

Jim Kinard

Robbie Ruple

Barry Stricklin

Josh Temples

Sylvia Wessinger

MISSION LEXINGTON IS IN NEED OF FOOD. The need for food is always there to keep their food pantry stocked. Monetary donations can 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 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 (356-3035).

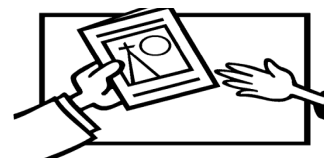
If you want to reserve the Fellowship Hall, Kitchen or Family Life Center for a non-church event you must come by the office to do so and leave a check for \$100 as a deposit. The check will be returned after the area is inspected by Property Committee and all check list items have been reviewed. The 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.

BULLETIN CALENDAR FOR JULY

JULY 6—Nate & Kym Hendrix
JULY 13—Chick & Beverly Roof
JULY 20—Robert & Joyce Asbill
JULY 27—Leah Price



COMMUNION GIFTS FOR JULY



JULY 6—
JULY 13—Steven Fipps
JULY 20—Robert & Joyce Asbill
JULY 27—

FLOWER CALENDAR FOR JULY

JULY 6—Leon & Peggy Trump
JULY 13—Steven Fipps
JULY 20—Mikel C. Smith
JULY 27—John & Katie Alexander



NURSERY HELPERS FOR JULY

JULY 6—
JULY 13—
JULY 20—
JULY 27—

GREETERS FOR JULY

JULY 6—Gary Dooley
JULY 13—
JULY 20—
JULY 27—Sandra Ross

USHERS FOR JULY—Mikel Smith, David Frye, Jr., Nate Hendrix, George Labelle, Matt Schnabel, Josh Temples

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.

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

Director of Music - music@stdavid.net

Otto, Choir Director - 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 - 356-3035.
e-mail: 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 - 356-3035.
e-mail: pastor.madison@stdavid.net

SOCIAL MEDIA

Visit Our Web Page: stdavid.net

Find / Like Us On: FACEBOOK

COUNCIL INFO & REPORTS:

Council President - Charles Schumpert

PUBLICIST for Local Media: Pam Fox

356-4052 or Believe.pf@gmail.com

(2 weeks notice needed prior to church event)

THERE ARE STILL SUNDAYS TO SIGN UP FOR FLOWERS, BULLETINS AND COMMUNION GIFTS FOR 2025. The 2025 sign-up poster is up in the Narthex.

ATTENTION:

LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE for the August Lamplighter is July 17. 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 17th of July. Any article received after the 17th will go in the September 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 still available for every family. There are large and regular editions available in the Narthex. The current book is for July, August, September.

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.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

1	Monte Dooley Thomas Canepa	8	Jeff Beaudrot	21	Mikel Smith
2	Marie Frye Retha Armstrong Gary Dooley Justin Shuman Bruce McKinney	9	Nathaniel Hendrix Cheryl Sox	22	Kresta Frazier Donald Kaminer Susan Ballington Katie Alexander
3	Melissa Martin John Derrick	10	Richard Dillon Melanie Schumpert	23	Joyce Asbill
4	Vicki Quattlebaum Liz Busbee Ruben Amodio Leon Trump	11	Stacie Sox	24	Retha Sox
5	Pam Fox	12	Lou Geller	25	Robert Asbill
6	John Alexander Andrea Hallas	13	Brad Sox Max Chelberg	26	Roger Coffman
7	Patricia Mathias Jeff Quattlebaum Adam Carnell	14	Whitney P. Moore	27	David Diep Mike Bremer
		15	Janet Smith	28	Carly S. Dickey
		16	Jackson Ruple	29	Sarah Anderson Jennifer Mayo
		18	Kelsey Kaminer	30	Lan Diep
		20	Janice Padowicz Fred Woodlief		

**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.**

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

JULY

FRIDAY, July 11 – Rising middle and high school students: Lexington Blowfish game, meet at the field at 6:30 p.m. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time from Pastor Madison!

SUNDAY, July 20 – FAMILY NIGHT AT CHURCH: Pizza and Movie Night (geared toward families with elementary school kids, but all families are invited)

SUNDAY, July 27 – Rising & Current Middle School bonfire with hotdogs and s'mores, 5:00-6:30 p.m. at Pastor Madison's home. Bring a side dish to share. (Or we'll do swimming at the pool. Will let the middle schoolers decide ahead of time!)

AUGUST

FRIDAY, August 1 – Rising middle school trip to Whirlin' Waters

SUNDAY, August 3 – Back to school/bookbag blessing during worship for all students, teachers, and those who carry a bag to work

SUNDAY, August 3 – ALL YOUTH: back to school bash. More details to come!

SUNDAY, August 10 – Sunday School resumes / Rally day!

SUNDAY, August 17 – Middle School bonfire with hotdogs and s'mores, 5:00-6:30 p.m. at Pastor Madison's home. Bring a side dish to share.

SUNDAY, August 24 – 6th & 7th grade confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

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

HIGH SCHOOL SAN JOSE NIGHTS (6:30 P.M.)

Wednesdays, July 9, 16, 23

Wednesdays, August 6, 13, 20, 27

Wednesdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24

NO USUAL AFTER-CHURCH YOUTH ACTIVITIES ON:

Wednesday, July 2 (no San Jose)

Wednesday, July 30 (no San Jose)

Sunday, July 6

Sunday, August 10

Sunday, July 13

Sunday, August 31

6TH & 7TH GRADE CONFIRMATION DATES – SUNDAYS, 5:00-7:00 P.M.

August 24, 2025

December 7, 2025

March 15, 2026

September 28, 2025

January 18, 2026

April 19, 2026

October 19, 2025

February 15, 2026

May 3, 2026

November 2, 2025

8TH & 9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE – SUNDAYS, 9:30-10:15 A.M.

August 24

September 21

October 12

September 7

September 28

October 19

September 14

October 5

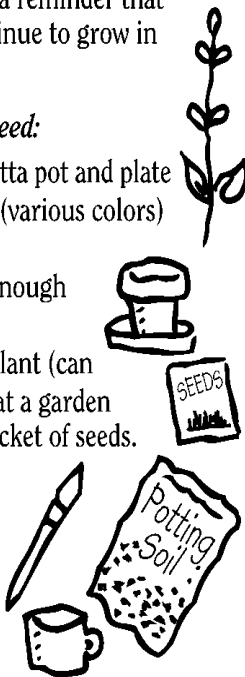
October 26

Growing in God's Word

Try this craft as a reminder that we need to continue to grow in God's Word.

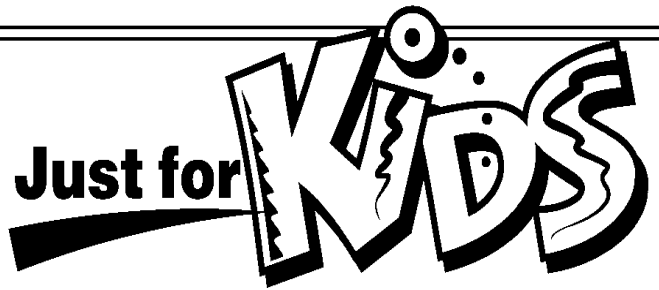
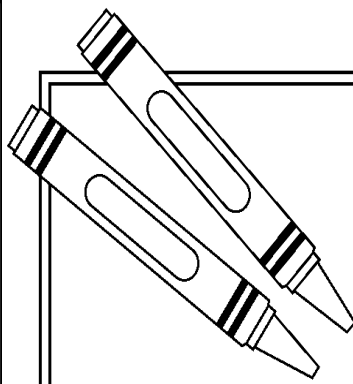
What you will need:

- Small terra cotta pot and plate
- Acrylic paints (various colors)
- Paper plate
- Potting soil (enough to fill the pot)
- Small inside plant (can be purchased at a garden nursery) or packet of seeds.
- Newspaper
- Paintbrush
- Cup of water
- Permanent black marker



What you do:

- 1) Spread some newspapers out on a table for your working area.
- 2) Squeeze the paint colors that you wish to use onto your paper plate.
- 3) Paint designs on the pot and plate. Make sure you clean your brush in the cup of water when changing colors.
- 4) When the pot is dry, take the black marker and on the collar (top part of the pot) write: "Growing in God's Word"
- 5) Pour a small amount of potting soil into the bottom of the pot. With an adult's help, place your plant into the pot and surround your plant with the rest of the soil. If planting seeds, follow the packet instructions.
- 6) Water your plant so the soil is moist. Check your plant every day and keep the soil moist.
- 7) Enjoy watching your plant grow, and remember that you, too, need care as you grow in God's Word.



GROWING IN GOD'S WORD

God wants you to be "planted" in His Word and to grow up serving him all your life.

Unscramble each underlined word, and write it in the blanks below.
Use the definitions as clues.

Psalm 1:3 NIV tells us what we should be like:

"He is like a (1) etre (2) dpeltan by (3) smatres of (4) rawte, which (5) ledsiy its fruit in (6) sonsea and whose (7) afle does not (8) rithew. Whatever he does (9) spropres."

1. _____ (a wood plant with one main stem or trunk which has many branches)
2. _____ (rooted into the ground)
3. _____ (small rivers)
4. _____ (a colorless and transparent liquid)
5. _____ (produces, gives)
6. _____ (a time of the year)
7. _____ (flat, thin part of a plant growing from the stem — usually green)
8. _____ (to dry up or wilt)
9. _____ (succeeds)

Answers: tree, planted, streams, water, yields, season, leaf, wither, prospers

ST. DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH
132 ST. DAVIDS CHURCH ROAD
WEST COLUMBIA, SC 29170

**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.

YOUTH MINISTRY - Call Pastor Madison at 803-356-3035.

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.

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.

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

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

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

CAMPUS MINISTRY - Contact Kirsten Davis at 803-920-5305 or missykrea100@aol.com or Laurie Harmon at 803-530-5608 or lsharmon58@gmail.com or Sylvia Wessinger at 803-331-7766 or sylviauwessinger@gmail.com.