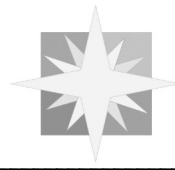


St. David



Lutheran

May 2025

**Sunday, May 4—Third Sunday of Easter/WELCA Sunday**

9:30 am—Sunday School

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

**Sunday, May 11—Fourth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day**

9:30 am—Sunday School

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

**Sunday, May 18—Fifth Sunday of Easter/Graduate  
Recognition Sunday**

9:30 am—Sunday School

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

**Sunday, May 25—Sixth Sunday of Easter**

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.

“He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.” – Matthew 28:6

Dear Friends in Christ,

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Though Easter Sunday may have passed, the Easter season is far from over. In the church calendar, Easter is not just one day—it is a season, stretching across seven joyful weeks and leading us to Pentecost, on June 8. During this time, we continue to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and reflect on the profound hope it brings to our daily lives.

In the light of the empty tomb, we are called to live as Easter people. And one of the clearest ways we live out the resurrection is by loving our neighbors.

The resurrection isn't just a moment in history; it is the heartbeat of our faith. It tells us that light is stronger than darkness, that love is stronger than hate, and that life triumphs over death. For those early disciples, the risen Jesus met them in gardens, on roads, and in locked rooms. He met them in their doubt, their grief, and their fear. And he meets us in the same places today.

Jesus' resurrection was not the end of the story—it was the beginning of the church's mission to carry God's love into every corner of the world. That mission begins right where we are: in our homes, our neighborhoods, our schools, our workplaces. It begins with the people next door, across the street, or even the ones we pass without noticing.

Loving our neighbors doesn't have to mean grand gestures. Sometimes it looks like checking in on someone who's lonely, offering a meal to a struggling family, or simply listening—really listening—to someone who needs to be heard. It also means standing with those who are hurting, speaking up for the voiceless, and working for peace and justice wherever we can.

As we journey through this Easter season, may we also be witnesses to the resurrection. How can we embody the risen Christ in our communities? In our workplaces? In our homes? Every act of grace, every word of kindness, and every gesture of peace is a sign that resurrection is still happening—that new life is still breaking in.

May we be known not only by our Easter hymns, but by our Easter lives—lives that shine with compassion, mercy, and kindness. As Christ has loved us, let us go and love the world in Jesus' name.

In love,  
+ Pastor Madison



## WORSHIP NOTES

**Jesus Christ Is Risen Today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

14<sup>th</sup> century Latin Carol and Charles Wesley  
ELW 365

Christmas has twelve days. Easter has eight weeks. Easter carols have been around for centuries and the eight Sundays give us plenty of time to extend the celebration. Wesley had a hand in this carol, but also wrote his own version:

***Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your Joys and Triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!***

Charles Wesley, d. 1788  
ELW 373

Both these carols and others like them deal mostly of Jesus' death and resurrection, THE Easter Event. Some of the newer carols address the risen Christ and what happened after Easter Sunday. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus is a favorite of mine:

***Day of Arising, Christ on the roadway,  
Unknown companion walks with his own.  
When they invite him, as fades the first day,  
And bread is broken, Christ is made known.***

Susan Palo Cherwien b. 1953  
ELW 374

The festival days in the church year celebrate the mountain-top events in God's plan of salvation. We take those events and carry them inside like Mary pondering them in her heart, and like the prophet Micah – walking humbly with your God.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - OPERATIONS**  
**MINISTRY REPORT**  
**MONTH ENDED March 31 2025**

	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 130,958.31
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>7,527.68</u>
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 138,485.99</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	
<b>Worship &amp; Music</b>	
Music, altar, bulletins, supply pastor & instruments	\$ 9,116.03
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 31,161.22
Support expenses allocation	\$ 22,790.01
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Worship &amp; Music Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 63,067.26</b>
<b>Learning</b>	
Education, Youth & family ministry, scholarship, VBS, etc.	\$ 1,219.57
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 19,467.84
Support expenses allocation	\$ 22,790.00
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Learning Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 43,477.41</b>
<b>Serving</b>	
Social ministry, ELCA missionary support, & Global missions	\$ -
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 8,811.88
Salaries	\$ 9,367.16
Support expenses allocation	\$ 3,721.59
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Serving Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 21,900.63</b>
<b>Witnessing</b>	
Evangelism, Stewardship & Hispanic ministry	\$ 202.14
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 2,937.29
Salaries	\$ 9,367.16
Support expenses allocation	\$ 4,195.26
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Witnessing Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,701.86</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 145,147.16</b>
<b>RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ (6,661.17)</b>
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 3/31/2025</b>	<b><u>\$ 161,589.64</u></b>

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

	ACTUAL	SPENDING PLAN	Actual Compared to Spending Plan	
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>				
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 130,958.31	\$ 149,261.58	-\$18,303.27	-12.3%
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>7,527.68</u>	<u>0.00</u>		
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 138,485.99</u>	<u>\$ 149,261.58</u>	-\$10,775.59	-7.2%
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>				
ELCA & Synod Support	\$11,749.17	\$13,875.00	-\$2,125.83	-15.3%
Total Salaries	69,363.39	75,882.12	-\$6,518.73	-8.6%
Office/Miscellaneous	9,606.44	9,691.98	-\$85.54	-0.9%
Worshiping & Music	9,116.03	1,974.99	\$7,141.04	361.6%
Learning	458.16	2,212.50	-\$1,754.34	-79.3%
Scholarships	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	#DIV/0!
Confirmation	0.00	187.50	-\$187.50	-100.0%
Youth & Family Services (CYFM)	664.16	1,749.99	-\$1,085.83	-62.0%
Young-At-Heart/ Tone Chimes	97.25	62.49	\$34.76	55.6%
Serving	0.00	475.02	-\$475.02	-100.0%
Witnessing	202.14	687.51	-\$485.37	-70.6%
Supporting	0.00	225.00	-\$225.00	-100.0%
Congregational Life Comm	0.00	375.00	-\$375.00	-100.0%
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	1,421.04	750.00	\$671.04	89.5%
Utilities	13,049.17	9,624.99	\$3,424.18	35.6%
Insurance	4,943.00	5,499.99	-\$556.99	-10.1%
Vehicle(s) Maintenance	36.60	500.01	-\$463.41	-92.7%
Maintenance of Bldg. & Equipment	9,299.68	11,250.00	-\$1,950.32	-17.3%
Service Contracts	9,897.63	8,874.99	\$1,022.64	11.5%
Landscaping	4,950.00	5,124.99	-\$174.99	-3.4%
Payroll Preparation Service	293.30	237.51	\$55.79	23.5%
Debt Payment (Principal and Interest)	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<u>\$145,147.16</u>	<u>\$149,261.58</u>	-\$4,114.42	-2.8%
<b>RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>(\$6,661.17)</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 2025	<u>168,250.81</u>			
<b>AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 3/31/2025</b>	<u><b>\$161,589.64</b></u>			

## St. David Church Council April 2025 Highlights

The St. David Congregation Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Sunday, April 13, 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room. The Following Items were discussed and action taken, as needed.

### **Committee reports:**

**Learning:** VBS leaders are Leah Brown and Amanda Huber from June 16 through June 19. Volunteers needed.

**Property:** GAF approved shingles replaced on sanctuary under warranty.

The fellowship hall flooring renovation is complete.

**Snack Sacks** program continues with the next 115 meals to be delivered to Oak Grove in May for the end of school year.

**Pastor Madison's report** received and reviewed. She is doing research to give Bibles to all age groups. Working with middle and high school teachers Elizabeth Bickley, Claire Compton, Chris Dooley, the Canepa's, the Hubers, and Robbie Ruple.

June Synod Assembly is Charleston June 12-14, VBS June 16-19, Lutheridge 22-27. Vacation June 28 through July 3.

### **Pastor Greg's verbal report:**

Pastor met with Cara the coordinator with Sole Stepping, her daughter and another volunteer. They are interested in using two rooms (previously occupied by MABEC) to store new shoes. A motion was made, and second to allow Sole Stepping to use two rooms for new shoes with stipulation of 90 days' notice if the Church is needing the space. Discussed. Motion carried.

The Army National Guard has made a request to utilize the David Classroom and the Fellowship Hall for their Relationship Enrichment program May 14th to May 16th. A motion was made, and second. Discussed. Motion carried.

The following people have requested membership. A motion was made, second and carried. Associate members: Brent Dowd and Brenda Hart.

Marshall Gagne, Ronald Wayne McKinney, Jessica McKinney and Bruce McKinney, Ellie Nord, and Seth Brock full membership.

### **Financial Report: (see attached) March 31, 2025**

Motion was made and carried to allow Finance chairmen to be able to advise The Dooley firm on managing the church endowments.

Pastor led council members in a discussion on Values.

Next Council meeting May 18, 2025.

The council adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA SUNDAY HONORARIUM/MEMORIAL GIFTS

**Given by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **in Memory or in Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

The Mary Group	in honor of Nancy Compton / Glenna Hammond—Padgett
Helen Coffman	in honor of Glenna Hammond/Nancy Compton
Fran Lee	in memory of Virginia Shull
Gaynell & Bob Hubbs	in honor of Rhonda Rayfield
Clay & Jennifer Jeffcoat	in memory of our Mothers, Jean Goodwin and Vet Jeffcoat
Chick & Beverly Roof	in honor of Betty McDaniel, Betty Cox, Joan Bundrick and Sandra Ross
Betty Cox	in honor of the Martha Circle
Dina Sox	in honor of Peggy Sox
Dina Sox	in honor of my Hannah Circle Sisters
Dina Sox	in honor of Barbara McDaniel
Dina Sox	in honor of Betty Enlow
Lenny & Mary Bugay	in memory of Vivian Fulmer
Dianne Davis	in honor of Ann Dowd
Sylvia Wessinger	in honor of the Bethany Grou
Wayne Duvall	in memory of Juanita Enlow Duvall
The Hannah Circle	in honor of Patty Rauch
The Hannah Circle	in honor of Peggy Sox
The Hannah Circle	in honor of Lolly Shull
Riddle Family	in memory of Margie Lown and in honor of Janet Riddle
Bob Hubbs	in honor of Gaynell Hubbs
Nate, Kym & Adelyn Hendrix	in memory of Margie Hutchins
Elaine Palmer	in memory of my Mom, Annette Rawls Smith, my Sister, Anne “Sissy” Enlow, and in honor of my Daughter, Anna Rose Palmer Hulon, my Sister, Paula Claas, my Daughter-in-law, Rebecca Palmer, my Granddaughter, Harper Rose Palmer

Ladies, our St. David Women of the ELCA  
are having our annual  
**BIBLE STUDY/BRUNCH**

Saturday, May 3  
10:00 am  
in the  
Fellowship Hall

We hope you can join us for brunch and Bible Study led by Pastor  
Madison. She will be leading us in a study on Bible Women: All  
Their Words And Why They Matter.

**WELCA SUNDAY**  
Sunday, May 4.

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

*Lois Dooley and family in the death of her son, Barry Dooley in March.*

*Vivian Mims and family in the death of her brother, Paul Aull in April.*

*Friends of Corrine Lord in her death in April.*

*Joel Antley and family in the death of his sister-in-law Kristin Antley in April.*

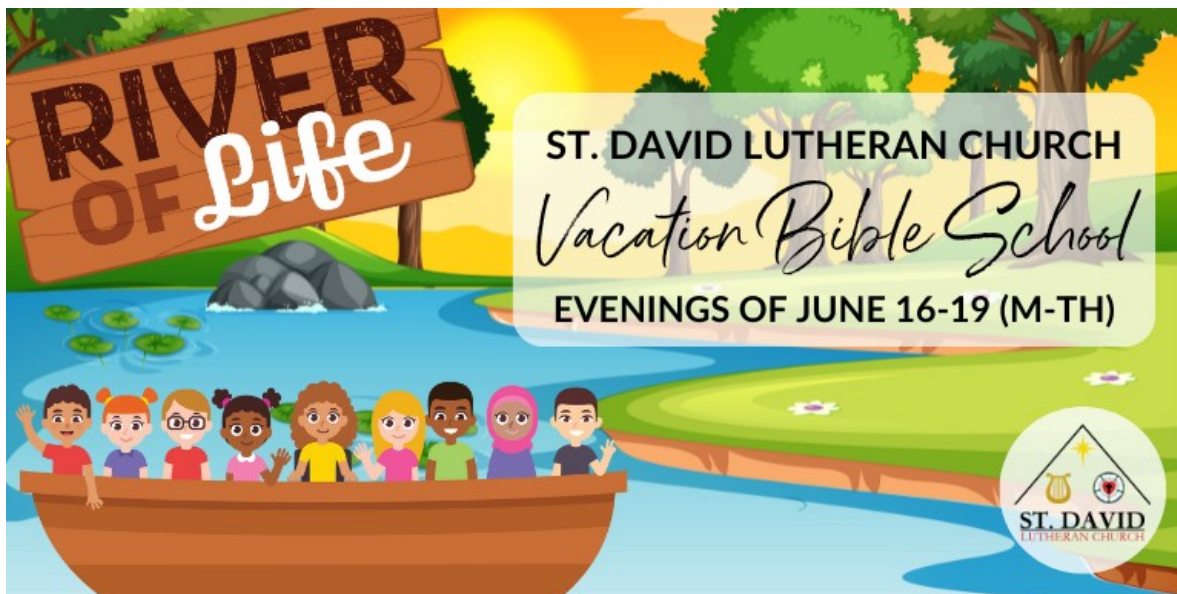
*May they be supported by the Good News of Resurrection Victory in Christ.*

**THANK YOU**

**DEAR ST. DAVID FAMILY,** Thank you so much for the care and concern that you have shown for us following Joan's recent knee replacement surgery and ongoing therapy. The cards, texts, visits, and other expressions of your love and support are such a blessing to us! Thanks also to Pastor Greg and Pastor Madison for their prayers and pastoral care! We feel very fortunate to be a part of such a wonderful church family! Gratefully, Joan and Fred Suhr



For VBS: Those who have volunteered will have a VBS Volunteer Training Session immediately after worship on Sunday, June 8 (about noon). All volunteers should plan to attend. If volunteers need safe haven training, this will be provided as part of the volunteer training.



## Save the Date for VBS!!

COMING Monday, JUNE 16  
through  
Thursday JUNE 19, 2025  
6:00-8:00 pm

Registration is up on the  
St. David website,

<https://stdavid.net/learning/vbs>

Contact Leah Brown at (803) 727-0888 or  
Amanda Huber at (864) 423-4224  
if you'd like to help!

## MISSION TRIP UPDATE:

A small group from St. David is flying to Guatemala for a mission trip in July. There they will learn about the ministry of the Augustinian Lutheran Church of Guatemala (ILAG) and travel to nearby schools. In addition, they will be taking supplies to the 12 teachers of the area's schools, a list of which will be forthcoming. Contact Rev. Julia Shreve 918-913-1566 with questions.

## 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

### 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

### THE PINES

Corinne Lord  
The Pines  
190 McSwain Drive Rm 107  
West Columbia, SC 29169

# Bulletin Board

## FOODS FOR FOOD PANTRY

in May is Sunday, May 4, and again on June 1. 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).

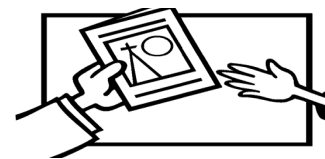
If you want to reserve the Fellowship Hall, Kitchen or Family Life Center for a non-church event you must come by the office to do so and leave a check for \$100 as a deposit. The check will be returned after the area is inspected by Property Committee and all check list items have been reviewed. The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

MAY 4—June Suite  
MAY 11—Jennifer Jeffcoat  
MAY 18—Pat & Stan Minemier  
MAY 25—Leon & Peggy Trump



## COMMUNION GIFTS FOR MAY



MAY 4—  
MAY 11—Steven & Janice Fipps  
MAY 18—Pat & Stan Minemier  
MAY 25—Leon & Peggy Trump

## FLOWER CALENDAR FOR MAY

MAY 4—Earl & Dianne Jeffcoat  
MAY 11—Steven & Janice Fipps  
MAY 18—Kathy Bleakley  
MAY 25—Helen & Roger Coffman



## NURSERY HELPERS FOR MAY

MAY 4—Amy Ruple  
MAY 11—Beth Riddle  
MAY 18—Amanda Huber  
MAY 25—Canepas

## GREETERS FOR MAY

MAY 4—Janice Fipps, Steven Fipps  
MAY 11—Janice Fipps, Steven Fipps  
MAY 18—  
MAY 25—

**USHERS FOR MAY—Jim Bickley, Lou Malejko, James Riddle, Brad Sox**

**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

Dr. Al, 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 June Lamplighter is May 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 May. Any article received after the 15th will go in the July 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.

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, THERE ARE COPIES OF THE 2024 ANNUAL REPORT** in the Narthex. If they are all gone when you check, more will be put out next Sunday.

**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 April, May, June.

**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.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

1	Cindy Lown Katie Puza	13	Tommy Harmon Lenny Bugay Scott Goldbar	19	Carter Jeffcoat
2	Blake Bleakley			20	Harold Roof, Jr. Loc Diep Trace Britt Annalisa Sherrill
3	Lawson Shealy	14	Chelsea Giet Cara L. Kropinski Corey Young Christopher Frye Sheila Kinard Steve Hanayik	21	Kathryn Bleakley Elias Leone
4	Hudson Culick			23	George Labelle
5	Beth Mathias			26	Lisa L. Schultz Bethany F. Caba
7	Emmaline Anderson Isaac Martin	15	Julia Shreve	27	Lou Malejko Maylee Bridges
10	Alana Miller Andres Leone Pam Bleakley Lincoln Rate	16	Marvin Dooley	31	Baylor Mims
12	Will Bremer	17	Calvin Shull		
		18	Joyce Quattlebaum Francis Davis Beth Riddle Matthew Dooley Joyce Swygert Ridge Price Melissa Price		

**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.**

**HAVE YOU GRADUATED** from college or graduate school since May 2024. Do you know someone who has? We want to honor our graduates on May 18 and need some information. Please send the graduate's name, the name of the college or university, the name of the degree received, and the date of graduation to Claire Compton by May 11. She can be reached at 803-269-8502 (call or text) or [comptonclaire@aol.com](mailto:comptonclaire@aol.com).

**ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES** and their families are invited to attend a Graduate Recognition Breakfast on Sunday, May 18, at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP by May 11 to Claire Compton at 803-269-8502 (call or text) or [comptonclaire@aol.com](mailto:comptonclaire@aol.com).

### **YOUTH EVENTS: MAY**

Sunday, May 4 – Middle school confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at church

Friday, May 16 – ALL YOUTH & FAMILIES: RSVP deadline for Blowfish game on June 6, all you can eat tickets available from Pastor Madison for \$16!

Saturday, May 17 – ALL YOUTH and their families: End of the year party at Phil & Debbie Dooley's home, 4:00-6:00 p.m. We'll have games, swimming, and time to be together and celebrate the end of another great program year! RSVP on either the Elementary School Band app or the Middle/High School Band app. The Dooleys will provide dinner; families should bring their own drinks and a side or dessert to share.

Sunday, May 25 – Middle School bonfire with hotdogs and s'mores, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Pastor Madison's home. Bring a side dish to share.

### **YOUTH EVENTS: JUNE**

Sunday, June 1 – Middle school confirmation, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at church

Friday, June 6 – ALL YOUTH & FAMILIES: Lexington Blowfish game, meet at the field at 6:30 p.m., all you can eat tickets must be purchased from Pastor Madison by Friday, May 16!

Monday, June 16-Thursday, June 19 – VBS, 6:00-8:00 p.m. with dinner before (middle & high school students: talk to Pastor Madison to volunteer!)

Wednesday, June 18 – Middle & High school bonfire after VBS at church with s'mores. Grown-ups should pick up their students by 9:30 p.m.

Friday, June 20 – MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL: RSVP deadline for middle & high school Blowfish game on July 11, all you can eat tickets available from Pastor Madison for \$16!

Sunday, June 22-Friday, June 27 – Lutheridge (no youth events during the week)

### **YOUTH EVENTS: LOOKING AHEAD**

Friday, July 11 – RISING MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Lexington Blowfish game, meet at the field at 6:30 p.m., all you can eat tickets must be purchased from Pastor Madison by Friday, June 20!

Sunday, July 13-Friday, July 18 – Rising Middle & High School: Graceworks (more info to come on the Band app)

Sunday, August 3 – Back to School Bash for ALL YOUTH at Phil & Debbie Dooley's (more info to come)

### **HIGH SCHOOL SAN JOSE NIGHTS**

Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, 28      Wednesdays, June 4, 11

Wednesdays, July 9, 16, 23, 30

### **NO USUAL YOUTH ACTIVITIES ON**

Sunday, May 11: Mother's Day

Sunday, May 18: Church Council

Sunday, June 8: Church Council

Sunday, June 15: Father's Day / VBS Prep

Sunday, June 22: Lutheridge

Wednesday, June 25: Lutheridge



# Send a LETTER to a Friend



## Materials you'll need:

- ✂ Paper
- ✎ Something to write with – pencil, pen, crayon or marker
- ✂ Scissors
- ✉ Envelope
- ✉ First Class stamp – 37¢

## Spiral Letter

Write a letter to a special friend. Make the letter fun by writing in a spiral. Start at the top corner of your paper and rotate the paper as you write. Your words will spiral into the center of the page.

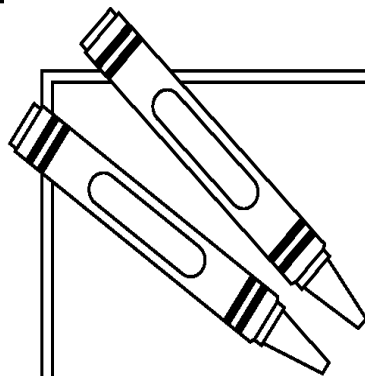
Dear Susie, I hope you are doing well. You are my best friend. I want to visit you soon. Love, Patti. Happy Friendship Day.



## Puzzle Letter

Draw and color a picture of you and your friend. Sign your name and then cut your picture into 6 or 8 pieces. Don't make the pieces too small or it will be hard for your friend to put them together.

Put your letter or puzzle pieces in the envelope. Address the envelope, put the stamp on and mail it to your friend or deliver it in person.



Just for

# KIDS

## Friendship Day Is This Month!

Friendship Day is the first Friday in May. It's important to choose your friends wisely. There are Proverbs in the Bible about friends.

Use the code to fill in the blanks and read Proverbs 22:11.

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Answer: He who loves a pure heart and whose speech is gracious will have the king for his friend.

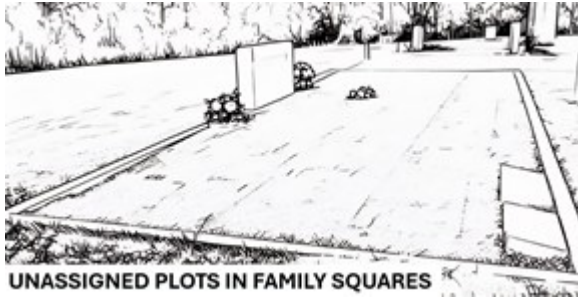


**FROM THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE**—42 residents of Broad River Correctional Institution will be participating in Kairos #50, scheduled for Thursday, June 5—Sunday, June 8. The St. David Family is asked to contribute the following by Sunday, June 1:

1. Sets of 42 Faith Notes of Encouragement.
2. Prayers for Residents and Kairos #50 team.
3. Placemats with encouraging drawings and scriptures using only Crayons and Pencils.  
Please note: Stickers, glitter, adhesives, paint, and markers are not allowed.
4. Homemade Oatmeal Raisin Cookies.
5. Green Agape (MONEY).
6. Members to assist with food preparation at St. Mary Episcopal Church.

With any questions or if you are interested, contact Lee Breuer.





## **FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE: Having a Family Square Does NOT Mean You Have a Burial Plot!**

In the past, "family squares" were set aside for families, usually when a patriarch passed (St. David no longer sets aside "family squares"). These squares consist of multiple neighboring burial plots often surrounded by coping and covered with gravel. However, it does not mean burial plots within the square were assigned to anyone specific. The result is way too many (248!) unassigned burial plots.

Though St. David has a large cemetery, the number of burial spaces are becoming fewer. Therefore, the Cemetery Committee, with Church Council approval, asks family members with an existing "family square" to submit burial requests to officially secure their plot, or to surrender unused plots back to the church for reassignment by the end of the year. Expect a letter soon if you are affected which will have more information on next steps.

Ensure you have a burial assignment on file by contacting Bernie Lee of the Cemetery Committee (803-348-0631) or to complete a Request for Burial Assignment form.



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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.

**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.