

# St. David Lutheran

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## November 2023

### WORSHIP SERVICES

Join us Live each Sunday  
at 10:30 am

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**Sunday, November 5—All Saints' Sunday**  
**9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation**  
**10:30 am—Worship/Communion**

**Sunday, November 12—Twenty-fourth Sunday after  
Pentecost/Homecoming Sunday**  
**9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation**  
**10:30 am—Worship/Communion**

**Sunday, November 19—Twenty-fifth Sunday after  
Pentecost**  
**9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation**  
**10:30 am—Worship/Communion**

**Sunday, November 26—Christ The King Sunday**  
**9:30 am—Sunday School/Confirmation**  
**10:30 am—Worship/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,

As I'm writing this, we're approaching Reformation Sunday, and the month of November is right on its heels. It truly does seem like time is just flying by. As we look at calendars that are beginning to fill up heading into the holiday season, I want to invite you to look at some things that are probably not on your calendar. The church's calendar of festivals and commemorations is a neat way for us to remember the things that are truly important as we juggle busy schedules that will soon become even more complicated as we look toward Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas, and New Year's events.

Here's one example for you. Martin Luther was born November 10, 1483. Being born into a good Roman Catholic family, he was taken to the priest the next day to be baptized on November 11<sup>th</sup>. In those days it was customary to name your child according to the saint of the church who is remembered on the day of baptism, which is why Luther's first name is Martin, named for St. Martin of Tours. St. Martin was born around the year 316 AD in what is now Hungary, and served as a soldier in the Roman Army. One winter night Martin saw a poor, old beggar at the city gate shivering in the cold, and, having nothing else to give him, he drew his sword, cut his own cavalryman's cloak in two, and gave half to the man to use to get warm. The next night Martin dreamed of Christ in heaven wearing his half cloak saying, "Martin, still a catechumen, has covered me with his cloak." Martin went on to become a monk, bishop, and is patron saint of France, and military chaplains also claim him.

The thing that is quite peculiar to me is that his day of remembrance is also Veterans' Day. But long before we knew November 11 as Veterans' Day, this day on the calendar was known as Martinmas. On this day, we remember the sacrifice of one soldier, St. Martin of Tours, who served righteously and gave of himself so that another might live. This seems entirely fitting that the church's calendar and the secular calendar line up for this one important day in the life of the church and of our country.

If you're curious about where to learn more about the festival and commemoration calendar of the church, you can look it up online or check out the front of your hymnal on pages 15-17. There's a rich history and heritage to be discovered that can help us to root our lives in the stories of scripture and from these heroes of the faith who show us what it looks like to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

A prayer for the commemoration of St. Martin of Tours:

Lord God of hosts, you clothed your servant Martin the soldier with the spirit of sacrifice and set him as a bishop in your Church to be a defender of the catholic faith: Give us grace to follow in his holy steps, that at the last we may be found clothed with righteousness in the dwellings of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

May peace be our journey,  
Pastor Greg +

## WORSHIP NOTES



Amazing Grace!, How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.

John Newton, d.1807  
ELW 779

One of the world's most popular hymns, Amazing Grace was 250 years old last December. The words describe an experience that most people can relate to. John Newton had a troubled youth and had become a slave trader. He had a conversion experience in a shipwreck that changed his life. When he returned to his home north of London, he began studying for the ministry. He wrote these words for a New Year's sermon. The tune that we use came 50 years later. William Walker, of Spartanburg SC, included the tune as "New Britain" in his "Southern Harmony".

The verses tell John Newton's life story: a story of wretched sin and a blessed salvation. No matter our sins, God's mercy will lead us home:

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!*

Later in life Newton campaigned for the abolition of slavery in England. The hymn was adopted by the abolition movement, but Newton never intended it as anti-slavery. In the 1960's, Mahalia Jackson used it in the nonviolent resistant movements to the Viet Nam war. The original intent was a picture of a person humbling himself before God.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
and grace will lead me home.

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## **St. David Church Council October 2023 Highlights**

### **Worship and Music:**

Homecoming Worship will be held on November 12<sup>th</sup> with David Drysdale (former Vicar) as our guest preacher.

### **Learning/ Sunday School:**

Confirmation: Expectations for attendance and behavior are being set and emphasized; Pastor Greg needs to have another adult in there with him- asking parents to rotate through. Sunday School is plugging along. No babies in the nursery during Sunday School yet, but we have four volunteers ready to keep it. The 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> class could use another teacher. The K5-2<sup>nd</sup> could also use another teacher to help cover all Sundays.

### **Youth Ministry:**

Youth Sunday was held on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Youth will be hosting the Fall Festival on October 29.

Youth are meeting regularly, and attendance has increased in all 3 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:**

The Mother/Daughter/Friend banquet was well attended, and a little over \$900 was raised by the silent auction. This will be divided between the National Youth Gathering and the Love Fund.

Election of WELCA officers was held on October 8<sup>th</sup>, and a Blessing of Wee Care items was given during worship on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

A Toy Drive for Mission Lexington has begun and will run through November.

### **Evangelism:**

The process of reviewing our membership roll continues with sending follow-up letters to all members on our current roster regarding membership and giving in addition to inviting them back and letting them know they have been missed.

New Bread Breakers groups have started.

Soar: There are plans to sponsor teams in the Spring and Fall of 2024.

### **MABEC:**

Giving Tuesday is November 28<sup>th</sup>: giving for non-profits occurs. MABEC would like to promote this event.

### **Old Business:**

Military Care team is preparing to send off 35ish soldiers to Washington, DC in October for a one-year deployment where they will provide Air and Missile defense.

### **New Business**

**There was a Congregational meeting on October 1<sup>st</sup> for the purpose of nominating new Council members. A second one will be held on November 12<sup>th</sup> to vote on new Council members and the 2024 Spending Plan.**

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

The Council reviewed the entire spending plan and made necessary adjustments during our Council meeting in October. There was a motion regarding our Portico benefits plan. No large increases are in the plan for 2024.

**Ended our Council Meeting with the Lord's Prayer.**

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

	ACTUAL	SPENDING PLAN	Actual Compared to Spending Plan	
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>				
Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 419,353.65	\$ 439,381.26	-\$20,027.61	-4.6%
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	-	0.00		
Total Receipts (Includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	<u>\$ 419,353.65</u>	<u>\$ 439,381.26</u>	-\$20,027.61	-4.6%
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>				
ELCA & Synod Support	\$40,218.25	\$41,249.97	-\$1,031.72	-2.5%
Total Salaries	221,698.92	204,183.09	\$17,515.83	8.6%
Office/Miscellaneous	22,720.69	23,856.03	-\$1,135.34	-4.8%
Worshiping & Music	5,874.45	9,217.35	-\$3,342.90	-36.3%
Learning	7,245.58	7,124.94	\$120.64	1.7%
Scholarships	1,000.00	749.97	\$250.03	33.3%
Confirmation	0.00	749.97	-\$749.97	-100.0%
Youth & Family Services (CYFM)	2,341.52	2,999.97	-\$658.45	-21.9%
Young-At-Heart/ Tone Chimes	229.55	187.47	\$42.08	22.4%
Serving	700.00	2,512.53	-\$1,812.53	-72.1%
Witnessing	909.64	1,687.50	-\$777.86	-46.1%
Supporting	1,131.00	749.97	\$381.03	50.8%
Congregational Life Comm	933.07	1,125.00	-\$191.93	-17.1%
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies	1,595.51	2,250.00	-\$654.49	-29.1%
Utilities	29,978.35	28,500.03	\$1,478.32	5.2%
Insurance	15,693.00	16,499.97	-\$806.97	-4.9%
Vehicle(s) Maintenance	5,731.70	1,500.03	\$4,231.67	282.1%
Maintenance of Bldg. & Equipment	43,801.82	33,750.00	\$10,051.82	29.8%
Service Contracts	23,686.13	22,875.03	\$811.10	3.5%
Landscaping	14,850.00	15,374.97	-\$524.97	-3.4%
Payroll Preparation Service	711.20	637.47	\$73.73	11.6%
Debt Payment (Principal and Interest)	10,562.69	21,600.00	-\$11,037.31	-51.1%
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<u>\$451,613.07</u>	<u>\$439,381.26</u>	\$12,231.81	2.8%
<b>RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS</b>	(\$32,259.42)	<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>			
<b>AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 9/30/2023</b>	<u><b>\$128,595.67</b></u>			
<b>BB&amp;T NOTE BALANCE</b>	<u>\$ -</u>			
<b>Church Sign Fund</b>	\$ -			

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

	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
Receipts (includes Envelopes & Other Receipts)	\$ 419,353.65
Transfer of Dedicated Funds	<u>          -</u>
<b>Total Receipts (includes Envelopes &amp; Other Receipts)</b>	<b><u>\$ 419,353.65</u></b>
 <b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	
 <b>Worship &amp; Music</b>	
Music, altar, bulletins, supply pastor & instruments	\$ 5,874.45
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 98,184.35
Support expenses allocation	\$ 68,708.68
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
<b>Worship &amp; Music Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 175,408.15</b>
 <b>Learning</b>	
Education, Youth & family ministry, scholarship, VBS, etc.	\$ 10,816.65
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ -
Salaries	\$ 61,949.65
Support expenses allocation	\$ 68,708.65
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
<b>Learning Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 144,115.62</b>
 <b>Serving</b>	
Social ministry, ELCA missionary support, & Global missions	\$ 700.00
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 30,163.69
Salaries	\$ 30,782.46
Support expenses allocation	\$ 11,286.15
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
<b>Serving Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 75,572.97</b>
 <b>Witnessing</b>	
Evangelism, Stewardship & Hispanic ministry	\$ 909.64
ELCA & Synod Support	\$ 10,054.56
Salaries	\$ 30,782.46
Support expenses allocation	\$ 12,129.00
Debt payment allocation	<u>\$ 2,640.67</u>
<b>Witnessing Sub-Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 56,516.34</u></b>
 <b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b><u>\$ 451,613.07</u></b>
 <b>RECEIPTS OVER (UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ (32,259.42)</b>
 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>
 <b>AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS AS OF 9/30/2023</b>	<b><u>\$ 128,595.67</u></b>
 <b>BB&amp;T NOTE BALANCE</b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>
 <b>CHURCH SIGN FUND</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

## St. David Campus Ministry 2023 – 2024

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# Christmas TOY DRIVE



## Benefiting the Children of Lexington County

The Bethany Group is supporting Mission Lexington this year by providing new toys and other items. We are collecting in November. Collection bins are in the Commons Area. Help us donate this year to give a child a better Christmas.

### Wish List Items

#### Board Games (for All Ages):

Candy Land  
Connect Four  
Jenga  
Kerplunk  
Mancala  
Matching Games  
Monopoly  
Scrabble  
Sorry  
Uno  
Yahtzee

#### Elementary and Middle School Boys:

Balls for All Sports  
Building Blocks  
Large Trucks  
Legos  
Science Kits

#### Elementary and Middle School Girls:

Art Kits  
Bluetooth Speakers  
LED Lights  
Legos  
Room Decoration Kits

#### Stocking Stuffers:

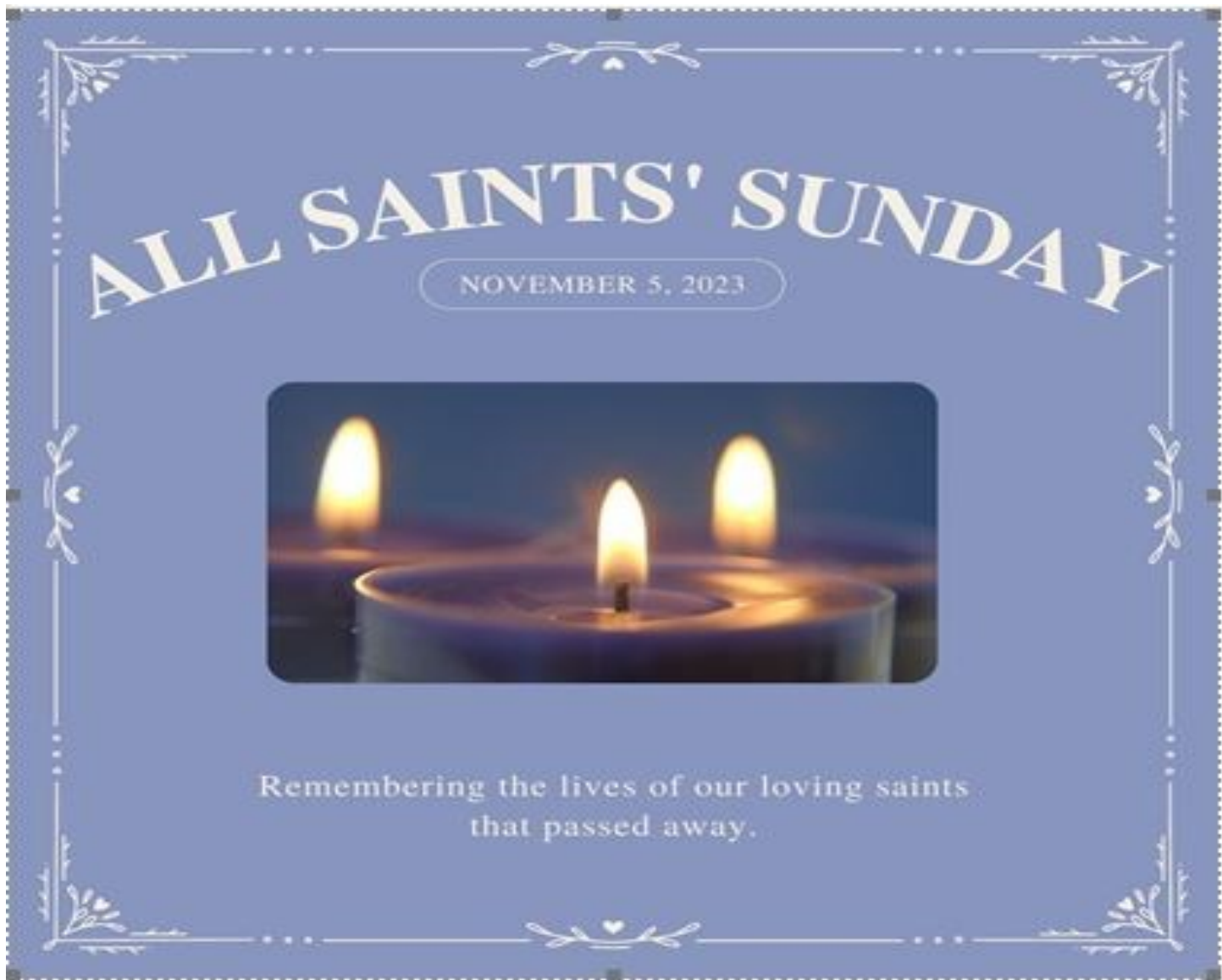
Deodorant  
Hairbrushes  
Lip Balm  
Nail Polish  
Plastic Animals  
Small Toys

#### Teens:

Art Kits  
Body Wash  
Headphones  
LED Lights  
Mini Bluetooth Speakers  
Makeup Kits  
Nail Polish Kits  
Room Decorations

Matthew 5:16 Let your light shine

**DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER,** we would like to continue our friendly, competitive food drive for Mission Lexington, between Clemson and Carolina fans. Appropriately marked containers will be placed in the Narthex and in the Commons Area. Donated food will be collected each Monday morning, taken to Mission Lexington, and the weight of each donation will be posted in the Sunday bulletin.



### POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

We are now taking orders for poinsettias, which will be used to decorate the sanctuary during the Christmas season. The cost of the poinsettias will be \$15.00 each. This price includes 6.5" pot, wrap without a bow, and delivery to St. David.

Please consider placing a poinsettia in the church in honor or memory of a loved one or special person. All orders must be placed by **Thursday, November 9**. Make checks payable to St. David Lutheran Church and put them in the offering plate with this form or mail to or bring by the Church Office.

Please put information for the poinsettia below.

Please list **ONLY ONE (1)** poinsettia per sheet. (You may pick up more sheets in the Narthex.)

IN HONOR OF \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

**and/or**

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include a check for \$15.00 for the poinsettia.**

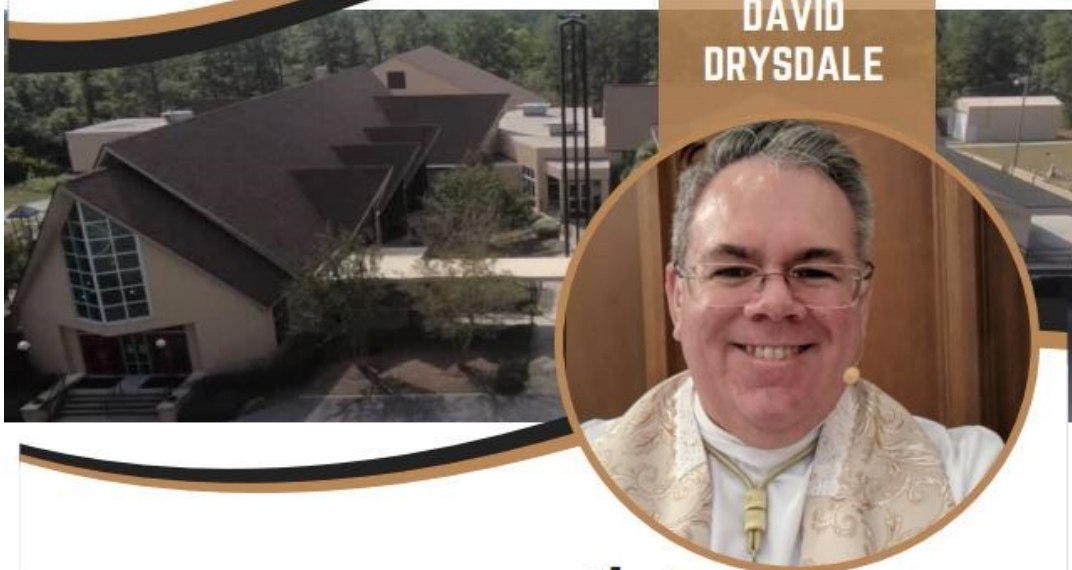
**A CALLED CONGREGATION MEETING** will be held on November 12, 2023, immediately prior to our Sunday Worship Service, to elect five new Council members for the 2024-2026 term as well as to approve the Ministry Spending Plan for 2024.

# ST. DAVID LUTHERAN HOMECOMING

*178 years*

Guest Pastor

**DAVID  
DRYSDALE**



**NOV | 12<sup>th</sup> | 2023**

Pot Luck Lunch Following  
St. David History Presentation

There is a place for YOU here!

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**DECORATING THE CHRISMON TREES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023**

We will meet at the church to decorate the CHRISMON TREES. If you are interested in helping to decorate them, come join us at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary

# Advent

Prepare for the Journey to Bethlehem  
Wednesdays at 7:00pm



St. David Lutheran Church  
West Columbia, SC 290170

## Praying with the Saints in Advent

*Vesper Services at 7:00pm*

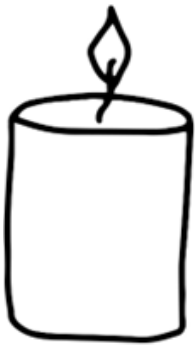
*December 6: Saint Nicholas*

*December 13: Saint Ambrose*

*December 20: Saint Katharina von Bora Luther*



*St. David Lutheran Church  
132 St. David Church Rd.  
West Columbia, SC 29170*



## REMEMBER for One Hour

Light a candle on December 10, 2023, at 7:00 pm local for one hour. Your Cemetery Committee invites you to unite with hundreds of thousands around the world to commemorate and honor the memories of those who are gone, especially children who have gone too soon. Help create a wave of light as it moves around the globe from time zone to time zone. This candle lighting can be done graveside, in the privacy of your home or with a gathering of friends and family in quiet remembrance of those who have died but will never be forgotten.

**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.

## **Campus Ministry**

The Campus Ministry Committee's mission is to ensure that St. David's college students feel connected to the church even when they are away at school.

We meet in September to match college students to a church member or group who has 'adopted' them for the year. The adoptive member is asked to remember their student throughout the school year with cards, prayer, and (if they so choose) gifts or remembrances for holidays and special occasions. The committee sends the 'Christ in Our Home' devotional booklet to the students. We meet again in May to plan and host graduate recognition Sunday. A breakfast is held to honor high school and college graduates, followed by the quilt presentation for high school graduates and a gift from the WELCA for college graduates during worship. The high school quilt project is a sub-committee of this group. The parents or other relatives are given the opportunity to make and present a quilt to their high school graduate to remind them that, as they go out into the world, they are wrapped in the love of their family and church family.

## **THANK YOU**

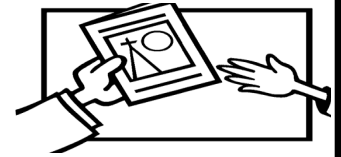
**PASTOR GREG, GLORIA AND CHURCH FAMILY**, *The family of Betty S. Rikard is deeply grateful for all your acts of kindness, love and support over the years and with her recent passing.*

*Her life lived in faith has provided us with peace while we grieve. St. David members are a true blessing to us and others.*

*Love, Lynette Brantley and families*

## BULLETIN CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 5—Margaret Fetner/Canepas  
NOVEMBER 12—  
NOVEMBER 19—  
NOVEMBER 26—



## COMMUNION GIFTS FOR NOVEMBER



NOVEMBER 5—Margaret /Fetner/Canepas  
NOVEMBER 12—  
NOVEMBER 19—  
NOVEMBER 26—

## FLOWER CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 5—Margaret Fetner/Canepas  
NOVEMBER 12—Eric & Angileigh Hartman  
NOVEMBER 19—Jim & Gail Brazell  
NOVEMBER 26—Erica Schumpert



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH FOR NOVEMBER

### Schedule for Leaders:

NOVEMBER 5—Matt Schnabel, Celeste Schnabel  
NOVEMBER 12—Ali Burnette, Kate Schnabel  
NOVEMBER 19—Hages  
NOVEMBER 26—Andy Schumpert, Melanie Schumpert

## CRUCIFERS

NOVEMBER 5—Hannah Riddle  
BANNER—Peyton Bickley  
TORCH—Jackson Brown, Reagan Brown

NOVEMBER 12—Lukas Hage

NOVEMBER 19—Kate Labelle

NOVEMBER 26—Kristen Titcomb  
BANNER—Jake Riddle  
TORCH—Landon Ruple, Logan Ruple

## ACOLYTES

Juliet Kropinski, Tanner Bickley  
BIBLE—MariKatherine Pullie

Caylee Schumpert, Dean Schumpert

Cooper Labelle, Piper Labelle

Caylee Schumpert, Dean Schumpert  
BIBLE—Hannah Riddle



# Bulletin Board

## **FOODS FOR FOOD PANTRY**

in November is Sunday, November 5, and again on December 3. Place your items in the boxes in the Narthex.

## **Happy Thanksgiving to a Soldier**

Don't forget to write a Thanksgiving greeting for one or more of the soldiers we are remembering on the Washington DC deployment. Cards are on the table in the Commons area and will be mailed out the week before Thanksgiving. Plans for a Christmas mailing will be coming out soon. Please help us show our appreciation for the sacrifices these men and women are making on behalf of our country.

## **2023 CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Claire Compton (President)	Elizabeth Bickley
Debbie Dooley (Vice-President)	Lynette Brantley
Danny Shull (Secretary)	Gary Dooley
Susan Miller (Assistant Secretary)	Bruce McFarland
Drew Laughlan (Treasurer)	Charles Schumpert
Lenny Bugay (Financial Secretary)	Mikel Smith
Carter Jeffcoat (Youth Member)	Brad Sox
	Josh Temples

## **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.

**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

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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.

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e-mail: pastor@stdavid.net

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Visit Our Web Page: stdavid.net

Find / Like Us On: FACEBOOK

### **COUNCIL INFO & REPORTS:**

Council President - Claire Compton (803) 269-8502  
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**PUBLICIST** for Local Media: Pam Fox  
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(2 weeks notice needed prior to church event)

### **ATTENTION:**

**LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE** for the November Lamplighter is October 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 October. Any article received after the 16th will go in the December 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.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** Mark your calendars for the children/youth Christmas Program on Sunday, December 17 at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary. All children in elementary school and under are invited to sing with us and be dressed in costume. We will practice songs in children's choir every Sunday morning at 9:00 am. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to participate backstage, help with the younger kids, and read the lessons. We will need many parents to help as well. To sign up to be a part of the program, please contact Amy Ruple at [amyllong@yahoo.com](mailto:amyllong@yahoo.com).



# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Terri Dooley Jamie Sox	13	Robbie Ruple, Jr.	21	Leah Price Mackinley Magni
3	Phyllis Anderson Sarah Schumpert	14	Gaynell Hubbs Thomas Dooley James Rhodes Brittany D. Magni	22	Mark Ballington Betty Rhodes Mark Kyre
4	Brandon Giet	15	Kitty Lindler	23	Bridgett Schumpert Mark Lee
7	Nathan Puza Lawton Brown Ben Boozer	16	Jackson Gray Lee Breuer	24	Leah Brown
8	John Giet	17	Shirley Alvarez	25	Benjamin Dodgen
9	Amanda Derby Lauren Noel	18	Trevor Hartley Chris Bowers David Davis	26	Matt Schnabel
11	Brayden Sox	19	Anna Sterling	28	Eleanor Ford Aaron Howard Preston Hage
		20	Mary Bugay Joyce Smith	30	Larry Lown Ralph Busbee Rebecca McDaniel

## SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER...

November 10—Martin Luther 1483  
November 10—St. David Lutheran Church 1845

**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.**

## OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IS EXPRESSED TO:

*The family of Joel R. Caughman (son of Gladys and Henry Morgan Caughman. October 1*

*The family of Lynne Shull in her death on October 2.*

*The family of Betty Rikard in her death on October 12.*

*The family of Alice Shealy (mother of Renee Sox) on October 20.*

*The family of Lewis Hite in his death on October 22*

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

## St. David Mother's Morning Out Program

**Tuesday and Thursday Mornings**

**For more information contact  
Bridgett Schumpert at 803-465-0898.**

## November 2023 Women of the ELCA News

November Assignment for Nursery Snacks and Supplies is the Bethany Group.  
November Assignment for Hospital remembrance is the Bethany Group.

Our annual General Meeting was held Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. The following were elected to leadership positions.

President:	Emily Labelle
Vice President:	
Secretary:	Sylvia Wessinger
Treasurer:	Julie McFarland
Mission Growth:	Tricia Hood, Ann Alexander
Mission Action:	Barbara Dooley, Jackie Lundeen
Mission Community:	Deana Hage, Elaine Palmer

During the November group meetings, each group is asked to update their membership list, and select a group leader and recorder, if this wasn't done in September. Also 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.

**Each group leader will receive an electronic copy of the 2024 yearbook. You are asked to share this with members of your group!**

The Bethany Group is supporting Mission Lexington this year by providing new toys and other items. They will be collected in October and November. Collection bins will be in the Commons Area. This is a church wide project approved by the Church Council. Help them donate this year to give a child a better Christmas. A list is available in the monthly Lamplighter.

Monthly offerings can now be given via PushPay in the WELCA tab. Please indicate it is your monthly offering. Offerings given in this manner will be part of your church annual giving statement.

**November is Thankoffering month.**

## Young at Heart

The St. David Young at Heart met on Tuesday, October 10 in the Fellowship Hall. The 63 members and guests in attendance enjoyed an informative program presented by Joey Frazier, South Carolina Wildlife magazine.

A day trip to Beaufort, SC is planned for October 26. Also a trip to the Chapin theater is scheduled for October 14. In November, a trip to the Newberry Opera House to see a Christmas Show is planned.

The next YAH meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7, at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.

The meal donations for November and December will be used to purchase food for Mission Lexington.

Seniors, please mark your calendar to attend this meeting.

All are welcome!!

## **LYLS (Grades 3-5):**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**—Meet at the church for Sease Farms and the last day of the corn maze. Tickets bought online are \$16 and include: All mazes, all playground activities and obstacle course, and unlimited wagon rides. We will leave the church at 2:30 pm and return by 6:00 pm. There will be food trucks and snacks there. chaperones—Leah Brown, Gary Dooley, bus driver—Pastor Greg.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17**—Christmas caroling after worship.

**SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17: Christmas Caroling to shut-ins.**

## **YOUTH SCHEDULE (6TH-12 GRADE)**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**—Service Project for Cristo Rey 5:00-7:00 pm. Meet in the Fellowship Hall for soup and service project.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**—4:00-7:30 pm Middle School—Summit Trampoline Park. Meet at the church at 4:00 pm. Bring \$20 for 90 minutes of jumping and dinner on the way home at Wendy's. Complete online waiver. Bring jump socks or \$3 to purchase them. (Gary Dooley, bus driver, Jen Jeffcoat)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**—4:45-7:00 pm High School Craft Axe Throwing. Meet at Craft Axe Throwing in Lexington at 4:45 pm. We will throw axes for an hour, then walk across the street for dinner at Nicky's Pizzeria. Bring \$15 for axe throwing and money for pizza. Pick up from Nicky's at 7:00 pm. (Matt and Celeste)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19**—5:00-7:00 pm Friendsgiving Dinner—Gather for dinner and Thanksgiving. Sign up on band to bring food. Theme STAR WARS. (Jim and Elizabeth Bickley)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26**—OFF FOR THANKSGIVING

**SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10: Christmas caroling to shut-ins.**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** We meet weekly at 9:00 am in the Choir Room in the Sunday School building. We are excited to sing in worship for Homecoming on Sunday, November 12. We will also be practicing songs for the Christmas program on Sunday, December 17.

## **KINDLE (Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade):**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20**—SAVE THE DATE: Christmas Caroling to our Shut-Ins. Meet at the church at 5:30PM. Mr. Gary will drive the kids on the bus to go Christmas caroling to our shut-ins. We will return to the church by 8:30PM. Wear your tackiest Christmas attire! Chaperones, Nicki and Josh Temples

**ST. DAVID LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**132 ST. DAVIDS CHURCH ROAD**  
**WEST COLUMBIA, SC 29170**  
**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

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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.