



Epiphany

THE FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY



Saint David's

WELCOME TO *Saint David's*

ABOUT SAINT DAVID'S

Saint David's is a Christian community that believes in the power of God to transform lives and to change the world. We are open and welcoming to all – race, age, gender, and sexual orientation are NOT barriers to inclusion. We are committed to building up the justice-filled world Jesus taught his disciples to hope and live for. We believe that the Holy Spirit calls us together for prayer, study, celebration and worship. If you'd like to know more about our mission and ministry, or become a part of it, there is room for you!

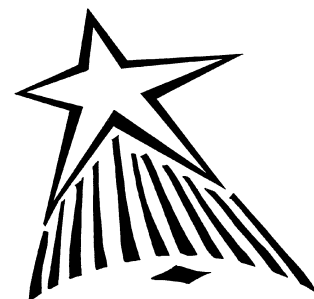
GUEST INFORMATION

You are welcome in this place and community. The following information is provided to make your experience more comfortable and meaningful.

- **ACCESSIBLE RESTROOMS** are available by passing through the wooden double doors and around to the right.
- **MASKS/HAND SANITIZER** are available on tables found at entrances.
- **A DEFIBILLATOR** is available on the wall in the long hallway between the parish and the Day School.
- **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**, please call 911. The church's address is:
St. David's Episcopal Church, 2320 Grubb Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19810

If you are looking for a spiritual home, please speak to the Rev. Pete Nunnally.
He would be glad to talk with you about your journey.

The season of **Epiphany** extends from January 6 until Ash Wednesday, observed this year on February 14. The word "epiphany" means manifestation or illumination, and the biblical readings emphasize the manifestation of Christ in the world. Included among the texts are the stories of the wise men, the baptism of Jesus by John, the calling of the disciples and the early days of Jesus' ministry.



CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP

Children bring richness to the community gathered at worship. They bring new ways of seeing familiar rituals and often show an understanding of the mystery of the sacraments lost to many adults. Children also bring movement, questions, and wonder. Their presence is essential to the vitality of the church. Here are some tried and true tidbits for parents and children:

- **COME EARLY** to get a good seat, preferably in front where children can see the action. Children (and adults!) are more likely to fidget if they can't see what's going on.
- **SHARE** your service bulletin or prayer book with young readers, and help them follow along. Even the youngest like to 'hold the book' like their parents.
- **WE UNDERSTAND THAT KIDS** are gifted noise-makers without a single thing in their hands! We welcome the sounds of children in worship.
- **IF YOUR CHILD IS HAVING A MELTDOWN**, feel free to take a break from worship. There is a rocking chair in the lobby!
- **COLORING PAGES** reflecting themes of the day are available in the display in the hallway.
- **A ROCKING CHAIR** is available in the hallway for timeouts or for nursing mothers.
- **A CHANGING STATION** in the Accessible Restroom located across from the small kitchen, by the Memorial Room. Please, ask an Usher if you need assistance.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

People have a variety of special needs, and St. David's hopes to be sensitive and responsive to them. To that end, we provide the following information:

- **COMMUNION** can be brought to you in your seat, should you have mobility issues. Please let the clergy or an usher know of your need.
- **THOSE WITH ALLERGIES:** The bread contains gluten and the wine contains alcohol. You may receive the Sacrament by receiving both, either, or neither and still receive the full spiritual benefit.
- **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are available at the Ushers' stand at the rear of the worship space.

Before Worship...

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Prayer before worship

Almighty God, Light from Light,
who commands the universe and all that is made,
your Word is the power that makes whole what is broken,
the force of good, and the food of peace.
Teach us now as you taught in the synagogue.
Heal us now so that in all that we say and do,
the freedom we have in you may be for others, too;
in Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

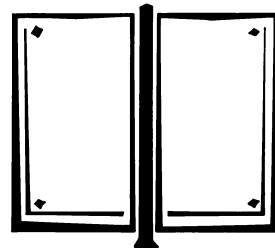
Holy Spirit, your people call out for understanding.
Bring to our yearning hearts and minds
the truth of your Word; in Jesus' name.
Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING SENTENCE (*spoken from the door*)

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
And the glory of the Lord rises upon you.



OPENING SONG (*at 10:15 service*)

Open your ears, O faithful people

A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are written in four parts, numbered 1 through 4.

1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,
2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,
3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,
4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O
 they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the
 Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the
 o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O *Fine*

roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.
 peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.
 roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,
 To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - - jah! And his words are
 To - rah o - ra, *Da Capo*

words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - - jah!
 To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - - jah!

THE ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
 And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no
 secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of
 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your ho-
 ly Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray...

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated for the readings

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The Lord promises to raise up a future prophet, like Moses, to continue speaking to the covenant people because they fear a direct experience of God. Although the promise is to be granted, it comes with a price.

Moses said, The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak-- that prophet shall die."

Following the reading...

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM III

Confitebor tibi

- 1 Alleluia! I will give thanks to you, O GOD,
with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 **Great are your deeds, O GOD; ***
they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 Your work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and your righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 **You make your marvelous works to be remembered; ***
YOU are gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 You give food to those who fear you; *
You are ever mindful of the covenant.

- 6 You have shown your people the power of your works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all your commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 You sent redemption to your people;
and commanded your covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is your Name.
- 10 The fear of GOD is the beginning of wisdom; *
Those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
God's praise endures for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Members of the early church were at odds over the practice of eating meat that had been sacrificed to other 'gods.' Paul referees this conflict by urging church members to consider how their actions may impact others.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth--as in fact there are many gods and many lords--yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Following the reading...

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SONG (at 10:15 service)

Silence, frenzied, unclean spirit
TUNE: Ton-y-Botel

"Silence, frenzied, unclean spirit!"
cried God's healing Holy One.
"Cease your ranting! Flesh can't bear it;
flee as night before the sun."
At Christ's words the demon trembled,
from its victim madly rushed,
While the crowd that was assembled
stood in wonder, stunned and hushed.

Silence, Lord the unclean spirit
In our mind and in our heart;
Speak your word that when we hear it,
All our demons shall depart.
Clear our thought and calm our feeling;
Still the fractured, warring soul.
By the power of your healing
Make us faithful, true, and whole.

Before the reading...

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching-- with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Following the Gospel...

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE MESSAGE

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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray that the radiance of Christ will illumine the church and the world.

God of light, break through the layers of darkness
that block the full radiance of your life-giving word and sacraments.
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

Shine on your holy church, that we may behold your glory and
radiantly proclaim your praise. We pray especially for _____
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

Lead the nations to your brightness, and reveal to their leaders
the new dawn of your justice and truth, that violence and war may give way to
peace and goodwill.
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

Illumine those who struggle in sickness and in sorrow; (especially...), that the
warmth of your healing presence will remind them that they are not alone.
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

Enlighten all who seek you and are drawn to truth and wisdom.
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

Remind us always that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses—
all your saints in light. Enkindle joy in our hearts for those
who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, (especially...)
Keep us united with those who have gone before, (especially...),
and bring us with them to live with you in eternity.
Lord, in your glory, **hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant concludes the prayers with a collect.

Hear our spoken and silent prayers,
O God of light, and reveal yourself to us,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

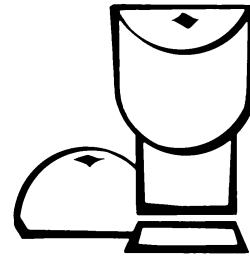
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY

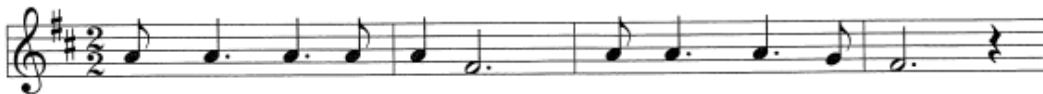
Gifts of canned goods, food staples, paper products and cleaning supplies may be placed in the large basket in front of the altar. This offering is delivered to the St. Patrick's Food Pantry to be distributed to those in need.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *(spoken at 8 am service)*

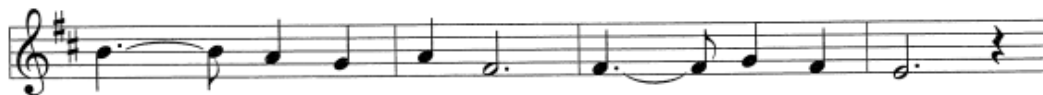
All things come of thee, O Lord.
And of thine own have we given thee.

OFFERTORY SONG *(sung at 1015 am service)*

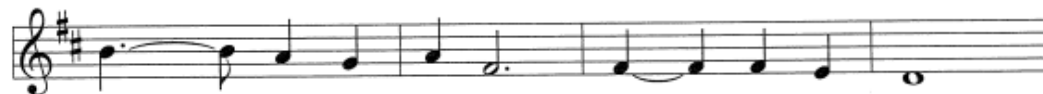
What have we to offer



1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?
2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?
3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?



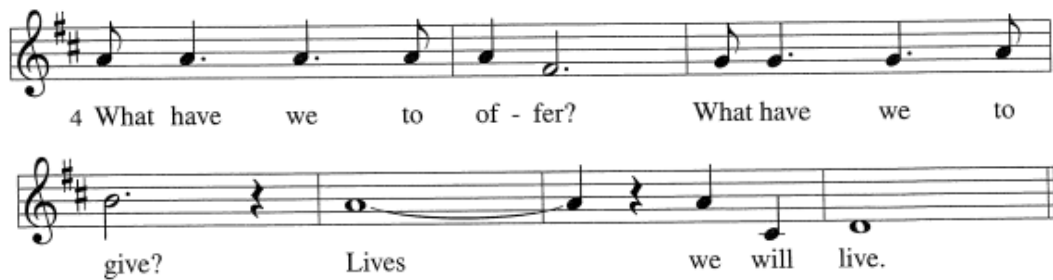
Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.
Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;
Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;



God will not fal - ter; so let us dare
dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when.
truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.



lay it at the al - tar there.
Lay it at the al - tar then.
Lay it at the al - tar now.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns,
the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill.
You made us the rulers of creation.
But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust;
and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return.
Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law.
And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son,
born of a woman, to fulfill your Law,
to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood he reconciled us. By his wounds we are healed.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with all those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory,
in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS
(spoken at 8 am)

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(sung at 10:15 am)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,
now bring before you these gifts.
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be
the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and after words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread,
said the blessing, broke the bread,
and gave it to his friends, and said,
“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you
and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption,
and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham,
Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah.
God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:
Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.
Deliver us from the presumption of coming
to this Table for solace only, and not for strength;
for pardon only, and not for renewal.
Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body,
one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father,
through Jesus Christ our great High Priest,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
your Church gives honor, glory, and worship,
from generation to generation. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

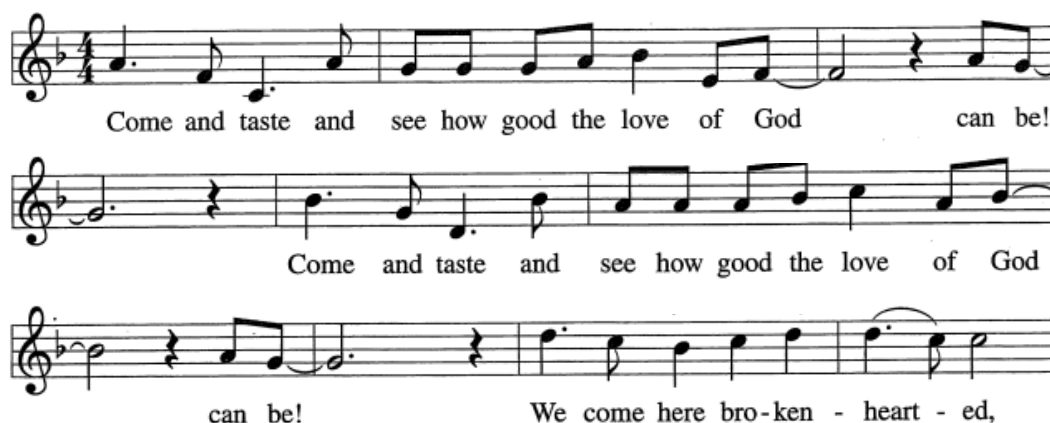
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM (*spoken at 8 am*)

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.
Give us this bread for ever.

FRACTION ANTHEM (*sung at 10:15 am*)

Come and taste



Come and taste and see how good the love of God can be!

Come and taste and see how good the love of God

can be! We come here bro-ken - heart - ed,

seek - ing all that God of - fers. Come and taste and
see how good the love of God can be! Come see!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

These are the gifts of God for you, the People of God.

*When you arrive at the altar, you may stand or kneel. Receive the Bread in your open palm.
Please reserve altar rail area for those who need assistance kneeling.*

SONG DURING DISTRIBUTION

There is a balm in Gilead

Refrain

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad to make the wound - ed whole;
there is a balm in Gil - e - ad to heal the sin - sick soul.

1 Some-times I feel dis - cour-aged and think my work's in vain,
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,
3 Don't ev - er feel dis - cour-aged, for Je - sus is your friend;

Refrain

but then the Ho - ly Spir - it re - vives my soul a - gain.
you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."
and if you lack for knowl-edge he'll ne'er re-fuse to lend.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

SONG (at 10:15)

Now God or Father



1 We are peo - ple cre - a - ted, cho - sen by God.
2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a Foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
end - less O - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
pre - cious Riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the light of Christ.
Thanks be to God.



Welcome!

We are so glad that you are here this day.
You are invited to a time of hospitality today
following worship in the Great Hall.

During the week...

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Questions for Reflection

What is the name of the demon, the spirit, the idolatry you carry? If you can think of this answer as many "troubles," try to find the root cause, a name to give to that which needs to be cast out. The answer may take different forms throughout the week. You may also consider the same question with regard to your family and to this nation. What is the Holy One casting out today in your presence?

Morning Devotion

In the light of your new day, O God,
I rise to greet you always on the path in front of me.
Let me follow with integrity where you will lead.
Give me courage to know the difference
between what is false and what is true.
Teach me to love my neighbor as you love me.
Amen.

Evening Devotion

Heavenly Father, you are the power above all powers,
the healer who knows our every need.
You have guided me throughout this day
and now give me sleep to renew my tired body and mind.
Guard me and keep me in your care.
Amen.

Resources for today's liturgy

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

These announcements keep everyone up-to-date on the happenings in and around the parish.

*Please **take the bulletin home with you** for your reference.*

We purposefully print enough for this very reason.

Welcome to The Rev. Peter E. Nunnally

Interim Rector, St. David's Episcopal Church

The Episcopal Church in Delaware and St. David's Parish extend a heartfelt welcome to the Rev. Peter E. Nunnally. Fr. Pete most recently served at St. Mary's in Arlington, Virginia, where he was a senior associate rector. He has moved to Wilmington with his two cats, Sassafra and Mumphus, who are also excited to become Delawarians. You can reach Fr. Pete at frpete.stdavids@gmail.com. If you haven't met him yet, please greet him at Hospitality Hour following the service.

'Like' 'Comment' & 'Share' the Saint David's Facebook Page

Saint David's is a great place with so much going on. As you wind your way through the internet and social media, take a look at the **Saint David's Wilmington Brandywine Hundred** Facebook pages and 'like' & comment. It helps the parish become more visible to the larger community. It posts upcoming events, inspirational thoughts, Bible verses, Theological Musings, and humorous things about church life.

Sunday Morning Meditation and Discussion Group Continues

During the month of December, Fr. David Andrews led an informal prayer and meditation workshop on Sunday mornings between the 8 & 10:15 services. This was such a success that the group has decided to continue meeting each Sunday morning at 9 am in the Memorial Room. This self-led discussion and meditation group is open to everyone and all are welcome at any time. No sign-ups or reservations are needed – just bring yourself on Sunday morning at 9 am. Contact the parish office with any questions.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper—February 13th, 2024

The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is coming on Tuesday, February 13, from 5 to 7pm. In addition to delicious pancakes and sausage from Kirby & Holloway, there will be a face painter for the young ones and a special magic show for all ages. This event is traditionally prepared by the men of the parish and assistance is needed on Tuesday, February 13th, to help with set-up, cooking, serving and clean-up. Visit the website at stdavidsde.church for pricing and to sign up to help.

Pastoral Care During Transition

If you need pastoral care at any time during this period of transition, please contact Jackie Somers in the parish office (302-475-4688 or stdavidschurchoffice@verion.net) or after hours at 302-415-5850 in case of emergency.



Want To Sign-Up? Click This QR Code!

The QR Code found to the left will take you to the What's Happening Page – This page tells you what's coming up and includes links to any sign-up you will ever need.



Hospitality Sponsor Opportunities for April

New Hospitality Sponsor slots are now available for the month of April. The amount is \$30 and requires no time on your part, as the Hospitality Guild will take care of everything. Simply sign-up on the parish website. Many thanks!

Food Pantry Donations Needed

A reminder from the Outreach Committee at this festive time of year: Please remember that St. David's is a collection point for non-perishable food for the needy. It is collected here, and is delivered at the St. Patrick Center in Downtown Wilmington. We bid your generosity at this holy time of year.

Possible Dangerous Ice in the Parking Lot

Ice sometimes accumulates in the parking lot during winter months and creates the potential to slip and fall. **Please make it your winter habit to drive past the first parking section of the lot as you enter from Grubb Road** (between Grubb Rd and the sidewalk entrance with the wrought iron railing). This section is the worst offender.

Although staff and contractors regularly apply ice melt during and immediately following snow and freezing rain, this does not guarantee all ice will be removed. In fact, sometimes we have a most difficult time getting it all melted. So, please stay safe in the winter months by driving further into the parking lot (past the sidewalk entrance).

Winter Expenses

In the winter, property expenses climb due to heating costs, as well as snow & ice removal. Saint David's Church and School is in operation most days from 7 in the morning until 9 at night. Sidewalks and parking lots must be clear and safe. Thanks be to God for the pledges and other monetary offerings that enable us to cover these increased expenses.

Inclement Weather Information

Saint David's rarely cancels Sunday services. Please, let common sense be your guide when deciding on whether or not to come to worship. In case of inclement weather, please check the website or call the church for information about cancellations.

GROWTH & VITALITY WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024
10 AM - 2:30 PM

How to make decisions during transition as we move as a faith community forward into the future God has planned for us.

Bishop Kevin S. Brown
facilitator



Sign Up for Lunch!

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Growth & Vitality Workshop for St. David's Community

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Upcoming Dates of Note

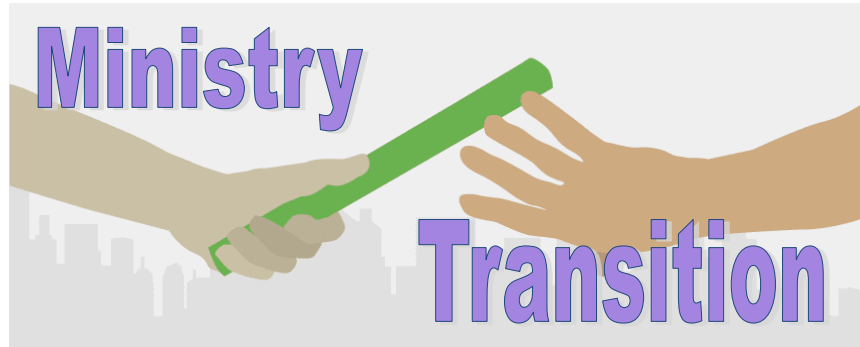
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Tuesday, February 13, 2024 5-7 pm

Ash Wednesday Liturgy - Wednesday, February 14, 2024- 7 pm



The Vestry of St. David's is happy to announce the nomination period for the Search Committee for our new Rector is now open! **The deadline for nominations is this Wednesday, January 31st**, and the Search Committee appointments will be made during the month of February. Visit the website for complete information about the process and requirements for nominees.

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Let us welcome Fr. Pete Nunnally, our Interim Rector! He will be with us for the next 10-12 months as we prayerfully discern the next steps for the parish as we search for the next Rector.

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Information about the transition process will be available in three places:

Sunday Bulletins

Parish Website

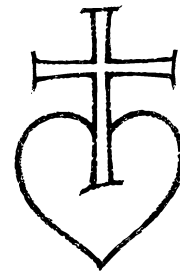
Weekly E-Pistle

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."

-Isaiah 43:19

We keep these people in our prayers and in our hearts...

Carron Ingham	Kiri Snyder	<u>Deceased</u>
Jeanne Morris	Tom Krause	Dianne
Carolyn Luttrell	Pauline Gently	Chris Maginniss
Sheila Coffin	Jane Harvey	
John Van-Catledge	Connie Harper	
Jimmy Myers	The Coda Family	
Beth Root	The Manion Family	
Carolyn Bell	Jack Reed	
Mason Ellingsworth	Alex & Amy Cook	
Leola Richards	Glen Richardson	
Dick Mickles	Kristen Waltz	
Pete Winnington	Doug Burkert	
Viola Walters	Joshua Beamon & Family	
Carol Robinson	Wayne Wilson	
Liz Wehle	Dana Grasty	
Anthony Ruggiero	Sandy Pierce	
David Payne		



Those who Serve and those who Celebrate:

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Courtenay Hoernemann in loving Memory of Norman & Barbara Harris

Eucharistic Ministers - Justin Bartels, Michelle Sobczyk, and Ernst Hellriegel

Lectors - Gus Mercante, Doreen Turner, and Jeanne Marie Yohe

Intercessor - Sandy Sierzenski

Sacristans - Michelle Black, Paul Archer, Linda Bradford, and Ned Phillips

Counter - Pete Yovino

Greeters - Ernst Hellriegel and Ned Phillips

Vestry Member of the Day - Bob Rhodunda

Ushers - Karen Olmstead, Chris Yovino, and Pete Yovino

Hospitality Hour was graciously sponsored by Kaddy Turner and hosted by Sandy Sierzenski

Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week -



Deva Scheel, Christopher Olmstead, Marty Verderame, Lulu Kaliher, Liz Wehle, and Bruce Gwaltney



THIS WEEK AT SAINT DAVID'S

Bold Font = Parish Activity

Regular Font = Outside Group

DAY	TIME	EVENT/LOCATION
Today <i>The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 	8 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave
	10:15 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave & Livestreamed on Facebook
		Hospitality Hour in the Great Hall
Monday, January 29	8 pm	AA Meeting in the Great Hall
Tuesday, January 30	10 am	Wisdom Seekers via Zoom
	11 am	Staff Meeting in the Office
	6:30 pm	EfM via Zoom
	8 pm	AA in Great Hall
Wednesday, January 31		
Thursday, February 1	9:15 am	Day School Chapel in the Nave
	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal in the Nave
	7:30 pm	AA Meeting in Memorial Room
Friday, February 2	7 pm	AA Meeting in the Memorial Room
Saturday, February 3	10 am	Growth & Vitality Workshop in the Great Hall
	7 pm	AA Meeting in the Memorial Room
Sunday, February 4 <i>The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 	8 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave
	10:15 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave & Livestreamed on Facebook
		Hospitality Hour in the Great Hall



Saint David's
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED

A Community of Disciples Passing Along God's Love to All

Staff of Saint David's

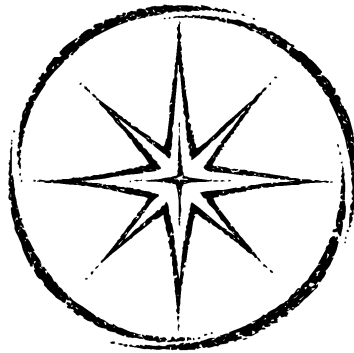
The Rev. Pete Nunnally, *Interim Rector*
Janet Leishman, *Day School Administrator*
Jackie Somers, *Administrative Assistant*
Steven Weatherman, *Director of Music/Social Media*

Retired Clergy at Saint David's

The Rev. David Andrews, *Priest*
The Rev. Anna Waid, *Priest*
The Rev. Dcn. Tom Deschaine, *Deacon*

Vestry of Saint David's

Rex Burnham, *Sr. Warden*
Bob Rhodunda, *Jr. Warden*
Karen Olmstead, *Treasurer*
Janet Leishman, *Clerk*
Barbara Emmel
Alyson Poppiti
Jonathan Taylor
Patty Curlett
Robyn Pierce
Carlene Deschaine
Deva Scheel



Parish Office Hours

Mondays through Thursdays 9 am until 1 pm
Office is closed on Fridays

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Day School 302-475-3747