

The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



February 18, 2024

Called to embody God's love by welcoming everyone who enters and by empowering all who stay to make a difference in the world.

Happening Soon at St. David's

Sunday, February 18	10 am	A Deeper Dive: Reflection and Conversation in the Upper Room
Lent 1	11 am	Holy Eucharist followed by Coffee Hour and Lenten Art Experience
Tuesdays	1 pm	Women of a Certain Age (LOL) meet in the <i>Gathering Place</i>
Sunday, February 25	10 am	A Deeper Dive: Reflection and Conversation in the Upper Room
Lent 2	11 am	Holy Eucharist followed by Coffee Hour and Lenten Art Experience
Saturday, March 2	10 am	Bring daffodils and help decorate for St. David's Day
Sunday, March 3	10 am	A Deeper Dive: Reflection and Conversation in the Upper Room
	11 am	St. David's Day Celebrated, Canon Augusta Guest Preacher
Friday-Sunday March 8-10		Vestry Retreat

Lenten Art Experiences

This Lent let color and art guide your spirit and soul into a deeper relationship with God with four **Lenten Pop-up Art Experiences** and a take home devotional: *Henri Matisse and the Colors of Lent*. Devotionals can be picked up at church beginning this Sunday and are also available as a digital download (contact Mtr. Gaelyn if you prefer this format). Melba Cooper will lead **Lenten Pop-up Art Experiences which will take place on four of the Sundays in Lent at 12:45** (following Coffee Hour) in *The Gathering Place*. A light soup and bread lunch will be provided. Lenten Pop-up Art Experiences are open to all ages and all abilities. Bring a friend and an open heart!



February 18th, First Sunday in Lent: Mindful Mandalas

-create a glowing mandala using paper and paint pens to use as a focal point in prayer and meditation

-templates provided, no prior experience needed

February 25th, Second Sunday in Lent: Daffodil Meditative Drawing with Haidee Wilson

-inspired by the national flower of Wales and just in time for St. David's Day, take time to contemplate the beauty of God's creation

-an open-ended, no drawing talent required meditative art experience



March 17th, Fifth Sunday in Lent: Peaceful Words Painting

-use canvas and acrylic paint to illuminate a word to draw yourself into the peace of God

March 24th, Palm Sunday: The Color of Lent

-move into Holy Week with the imagery of palms, Holy Eucharist, foot washing, and the cross

-following Matisse's lead, we will create symbols and images to "pray with our pencils" (and scissors and paint brushes)



"In my own way,
I have always sung
the glory of God
and creation."
+ Henry Matisse

Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus!



Happy St. David's Day!

March 3rd, 2024



Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour will be All. Many of us have been to St. David's in Wales and have a few Welsh recipes. If you would like to bring one of those dishes, it would add to the celebration, or just bring something you like to make. If you don't have time to cook, just bring yourself.

Daffodils: The Flower of St. David

If you have daffodils blooming that you would like to share, please bring them to the *Gathering Place* on Friday the first or Saturday morning the second. We will be arranging flowers and decorating the sanctuary on Saturday starting at 10 am. Please feel free to join us.

If you have any questions, please contact Faye Jacobson.

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Little Free Pantry Needs to be Stocked

The new Little Free Pantry that Harry Brown and his son Daniel built and installed on the front lawn now needs to be filled with food and other items that WCU students need. The altar that once fed us spiritually has been transformed into a pantry to feed hungry students. One in three WCU students are food insecure.



National Register of Historic Places Application Submitted

By June Smith

For over a year, June Smith and Maggie Bowles have been working on proper documentation to have St. David's listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This was attempted in the '80s but was rejected because of the addition of the first parish hall, which cut into the church. That structure is gone now, and the current parish hall does not cut into the church. A preliminary application was approved by the Asheville NC Historic Preservation Office. Now they have submitted the complete and final application to the state office. Once approval is granted there, they will send it on to the National Register in Washington, DC. All this final approval may take a year or two, possibly longer. Maggie and I just hope we are still around when we can affix the brass plate by the red door attesting that St. David's is listed on the National Register of Historic Places!

Some Photos from the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Thanks to the men of the church, a good group of WCU students as well as church members had a last indulgent sweet supper before heading into the season of Lent. Thank you, Brad Orvis, for organizing this event.





Always we begin again.

St. Benedict

Walk the Wednesdays in Lent

The labyrinth can be a powerful tool for spiritual reflection and healing. Walking a labyrinth as part of a regular spiritual practice can be particularly helpful.

During the Wednesdays in Lent consider taking time to explore the labyrinth in the field of St. Luke's, Chunn's Cove.

On Wednesdays from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. a spiritual friend will be on site to hold the sacred space while others walk. The time will be set apart for communal silence, personal reflection and meditation.

Dates are Wednesdays: February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20 and 27. The location is 219 Chunn's Cove Road, Asheville. Please park in the lower parking lot.

Wear warm clothing and comfortable shoes. Feel free to bring a journal. In case of inclement weather the parish hall will be open for meditation, and hand-held labyrinths will be available.

Blessings to you on your Lenten journey.

**Abraham's Table:
A family reunion**

**Join us for dinner as we explore the commonalities and uniqueness
shared by
the children of Abraham: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim**

**Sunday, March 17
7:00 to 9:00 pm**

**All are welcome as we celebrate
our common roots and diverse practices
in an era of political division**

**Western Carolina University
Cordelia Camp Building
Room 134**

*(take the main entrance to campus and the bridge across the
creek where Parking and International Programs & Services are located).*

**We invite you to bring a pot-luck item
or just come as you are.
Food will be plentiful.**



The lamps are different but the light is the same.

~Rumi

Parish News & Notes

Birthdays

February 26

Jeff Neff

[Resources for the Conflict in the Holy Land](#)

The Office of Government Relations in The Episcopal Church has released a webpage of resources to follow the conflict in Gaza, Palestine, and Israel. The page includes ways to take action to support the citizens affected by the conflict, statements from leaders, partner resources, prayers, social media, and a list of press releases. The page is being updated as the situation develops.

Beware of Scammers!

No member of the St. David's clergy or staff will ever contact the parish via email or text requesting money or gift cards! Please do not respond to or forward suspicious emails, and never give out your personal information to anyone over the internet or through email.

Securing Our Property

Please remember to lock any doors that you may have opened either upstairs or in the *Gathering Place* when you leave!

Church Membership Directory

Should you wish to have a directory emailed or mailed to you, please contact our parish administrator, Graydon Elliott, at info@stdavidscullowhee.org.

Lake Logan Events

<https://www.lakelogan.org/events/>

Vestry Minutes

Vestry minutes may be found in a white notebook in the library upstairs.

Beans & Rice

Donations of rice and beans may be left in the large containers behind the front doors of the church. They go to the Community Table and United Christian Ministries.



St. David's Little Free Library

Borrow a book or donate a book to the lending shelf located in the *Gathering Place* next to the Sacristy.

Regular Schedule at St. David's

Sundays

10:00-10:40

Reflection and Conversation in the Upper Room

11:00

In-Person and Facebook Live Holy Eucharist

5:30

Episcopal Campus Ministry@WCU

2nd Sundays at 12:45

Vestry in the *Upper Room*

Tuesdays at 1 pm

Women of a Certain Age (LOL) meet in the *Gathering Place*

3rd Thursdays 9-11 am

Church Workday

Last Sundays except December and May-July-Soup Supper at 6 pm



ST. DAVID'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. David's in the Valley, Clergy and Staff

The Right Rev. Jose A. McLoughlin, Bishop
The Rev. Gaelyn Lei Evangreene, Rector and Campus Missioner
Dr. Lillian Pearson, Organist
Graydon Elliott, Parish Administrator

Serving this Sunday

Chalice Bearer: Gael Graham
Lector: Betsy Swift
Altar: June Smith
Linens: Margot Wilcox
Bread Baker: Mtr. Gaelyn
Greeter: Danny & Salette Austin
Vestry Counter:
Coffee Hour: Sue Kent
Live Streaming:
Flowers:

Readings

[Genesis 9:8-17](#), [1 Peter 3:18-22](#), [Mark 1:9-15](#), [Psalm 25:1-9](#)

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